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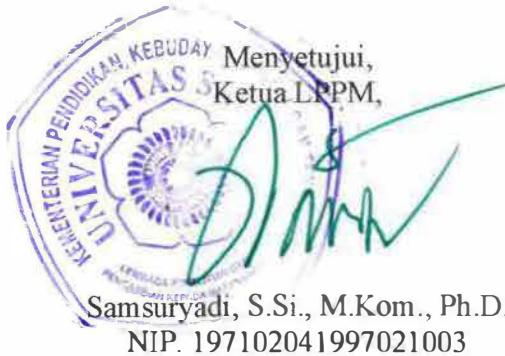
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#### A. Status Keanekaragaman Komunitas Bentik di Pesisir Sumatera Selatan

##### Krustasea

Keanekaragaman spesies kepiting yang ditemukan di pesisir Sumatera Selatan (Gambar 1), yaitu *Uca dussumieri* (Edwards, 1852), *Metaplax longipes* (Stimpson, 1858), *Metaplax distinct* (Edwards, 1852). Selama pengambilan sampel, kualitas pengukuran perairan diambil secara in situ. Pada substrat ditemukan lumpur hitam halus dengan kedalaman 60 sampai 100 cm. Hasil parameter lingkungan yang diukur salinitas 27-29 psu, suhu 29-30°C, pH 6,08-6,2, nitrat 6,69 mg/L, dan fosfat 0,197 mg/L.



Gambar 1. Keanekaragaman spesies kepiting di pesisir Sumatera Selatan, A) *Uca dussumieri* (Edwards, 1852); B) *Metaplax longipes* (Stimpson, 1858); C) *Metaplax distinct* (Edwards, 1852)

Kepiting *Uca dussumieri* (Edwards, 1852) memiliki keunikan pada capitnya. Ketika capit besar rusak atau patah, ia akan tumbuh kembali atau capit lainnya akan membesar. Berwarna cerah kekuningan, dan ruam atau bergerigi pada permukaan dactylus, propodus dan carpus. Karapas menyerupai trapesium dengan sisi anterior yang lebih lebar dan ujung yang runcing, hal itu disebut karapas trapesium. Berwarna hitam kecoklatan, coklat tua dan jingga kehitaman (1). Bola mata berwarna hitam dan bulat dengan batang mata panjang mendekati ujung anterior karapas. Kepiting ini memiliki lima pasang kaki, terdiri dari satu pasang di bagian depan capit, dan empat pasang kaki berjalan. Perutnya berwarna kebiruan berbentuk segitiga memanjang. Berdasarkan ciri morfologinya, spesies ini tergolong *fiddler crab*, memiliki kemiripan dengan beberapa spesies lain seperti *Uca demani* dan *Uca urvillei* (2,3). Hal ini dapat ditemukan di daerah berlumpur daerah mangrove (4,5).

Kepiting *Metaplax longipes* (Stimpson, 1858) memiliki karapas coklat tua (Gambar 1.B). Karapas berbentuk bujur sangkar dengan bagian bawah yang lebih pendek atau disebut karapas persegi atau subkuadrat. Spesies ini memiliki sepasang capit yang berukuran sama dan lebih panjang dari empat pasang kaki berjalan. Capitnya berwarna oranye-coklat, sedangkan ciri lainnya adalah bagian propodus yang sangat panjang, daktil yang pendek, dan permukaan cheliped yang cukup halus (2). Bola matanya berwarna hitam dengan panjang batang mata memanjang ke ujung anterior karapas. Kepiting ini memiliki lima pasang kaki yang terdiri dari satu pasang capit dan empat kaki berjalan. Kaki kedua dan ketiga berjalan lebih panjang dari kaki pertama dan keempat. Perut berwarna coklat muda, dan memiliki bentuk segitiga memanjang. Genus spesies ini adalah *Metaplax* spp. dari famili Varunidae. Berdasarkan morfologi dan pohon filogenetik, spesies ini memiliki kemiripan dengan *Metaplax takahashii*, *Cyclograpsus granulosus*, *Helice wuana*, dan *Eriocheir japonica* (2,6). Hampir semua spesies dari genus ini ditemukan di habitat berlumpur di dekat ekosistem mangrove, juga ditemukan di substrat berpasir yang didominasi oleh air laut (6–8).

Kepiting *Metaplax distinct* (Edwards, 1852) memiliki karapas berbentuk persegi panjang dengan sisi agak membulat dan sisi bawah yang lebih pendek dari bagian atas yang disebut subkuadrat atau bujur sangkar. Karapas didominasi warna coklat tua, dengan kedua sisi anterior meruncing. Capit dari spesies ini pendek dan kecil dibandingkan dengan kaki berjalan, hal ini menunjukkan jenis kelamin betina, karena spesies betina ini memiliki sepasang capit yang lebih pendek dan lebih kecil dari pada spesies jantan (9,10). Capitnya didominasi merah kehitaman dengan dactyl oranye. Kedua bola mata berbentuk bulat hitam dengan batang yang memanjang hampir ke sisi luar anterior. Ada lima pasang kaki, satu pasang capit dan empat pasang kaki berjalan. Ukuran kaki jalan kedua dan ketiga lebih panjang dari kaki jalan pertama dan keempat. Spesies ini betina, dengan perut segitiga yang lebar dan bulat (11). Spesies ini memiliki kemiripan dengan *Metaplax gocongensis* dan *Metaplax indica* (12). Diklasifikasikan dalam famili Varunidae, disebut juga kepiting dengan habitat muara berlumpur, banyak ditemukan di kawasan mangrove dan pantai berpasir (8,13).

Spesies C1 merupakan spesies kepiting yang unik. Keunikannya ada pada bagian capit jantannya, sepasang capitnya memiliki ukuran berbeda. Di beberapa kondisi, capit terbesar spesies ini terdapat di sebelah kanan dan di beberapa individu ditemukan di sebelah kiri. Terkait hal ini, bentuk dan corak capit kedua spesies sama namun yang membedakannya hanya pada posisi capit terbesar dan terkecilnya saja. Beberapa penelitian terdahulu telah melaporkan keunikan spesies kepiting *Uca dussumieri*. Spesies *Uca dussumieri* ini memiliki keunikan pada capitnya, jika capit besarnya patah atau hilang maka capit besar itu akan tumbuh kembali pada keadaan semula. Namun proses capit besarnya tumbuh ada dua kemungkinan yang terjadi, kemungkinan pertama bisa tumbuh di capit terbesar yang mengalami keputihan atau di tempat awalnya dan kemungkinan kedua bisa tumbuh dari posisi capit terkecilnya lalu capit kecil akan tumbuh lagi di tempat capit yang hilang (14–18). Keunikan spesies *Uca dussumieri* telah menjadi ciri khas sendiri untuk spesies fiddler crab ini yang berasal dari family Ocypodidae (3,19–21).

Spesies C1 ini sangat diduga sebagai spesies *Uca dussumieri*. Bentuk karapasnya yaitu trapezoidal dengan ujung anterior karapas yang melancip lalu coraknya memiliki kemiripan yakni berwarna coklat kehitaman. Corak capitnya juga sama karena berwarna putih kekuningan (19). Spesies *Uca dussumieri* termasuk ke dalam kepiting yang berhabitat di lumpur. Hal ini juga sesuai pernyataan (22) dan (23), bahwa secara umum spesies *Uca dussumieri* dapat ditemukan di daerah mangrove yang berlumpur. Spesies C1 yang diambil dari migratory birds ground at Sembilan National Park Indonesia juga berhabitat di substrat lumpur. Berdasarkan beberapa analisa ini didapatkan bahwa spesies C1 memiliki kemiripan yang sangat jelas dengan spesies *Uca dussumieri*.

Spesies C2 memiliki karapas yang berbentuk squarish atau subquadrate (2). Sepasang capitnya memiliki ukuran yang sama, cheliped spesies ini sangat panjang terutama bagian propodusnya, namun bagian dactyl memiliki ukuran tergolong pendek dan berwarna coklat kejinggaan. Warna karapasnya coklat kehitaman dengan bagian ujung anterior karapas terdapat dua gerigi yang melancip. Melalui identifikasi morfologinya, spesies C2 cukup membungkungkan untuk diidentifikasi namun diduga sebagai spesies *Metaplax longipes*. Spesies ini termasuk ke dalam family Varunidae yang dikenal sebagai family Thoracotrematan crabs (24,25). *Metaplax longipes* sebelumnya termasuk golongan Sesarminae dari family Grapsidae karena secara morfologi sangat mirip, namun berdasarkan hasil filogenetik termasuk ke Varunidae (6,7) dan oleh sebab itu *Metaplax longipes* sudah

keluar dari golongan Grapsidae. *Metaplax longipes* mudah ditemukan di wilayah intertidal berlumpur kawasan mangrove (2,6,8). Berdasarkan habitat hidupnya ini dia termasuk golongan kepiting deposit feeder (26,27).

Berdasarkan identifikasi morfologi, spesies C3 diduga sebagai spesies *Metaplax disindicta*. Spesies ini memiliki bentuk karapas subquadrate (2,28). Jenis ini dikenal dengan karapas yang berbentuk kotak dan bagian posterior karapas cenderung membulat. Secara sekilas karapasnya sama dengan spesies dari kelompok Varunidae namun memiliki perbedaan pada bentuk capitnya. Hal ini disebabkan oleh spesies yang ditemukan ini berjenis kelamin betina. Ini dibuktikan dari bentuk abdomennya yaitu segitiga yang melebar. Jenis kelamin betina dari kelompok Varunidae memiliki sepasang capit yang sangat kecil dibandingkan spesies jantan (10,29,30). Berdasarkan (31) dan (32), bahwa ukuran capit kepiting betina berukuran lebih kecil dibandingkan kepiting jantan. Warna karapas spesies C3 berwarna coklat tua kehitaman dan warna capitnya berwarna hitam kemerahan dengan bagian chela berwarna keoranye-an. Spesies ini berhabitat di pantai belum-pur hingga berpasir (13). Spesies ini juga termasuk kepiting yang ditemukan di kawasan mangrove (33,34). Pada beberapa kasus, spesies ini ditemukan dengan warna karapas yang lebih cerah, ini disebabkan oleh lingkungan tempat hidupnya (35,36). Karapas yang lebih gelap akan ditemukan pada daerah berlumpur sedangkan karapas yang lebih cerah akan ditemukan pada daerah susrat cenderung berpasir (37,38).

Secara keseluruhan kepiting yang ditemukan pada penelitian ini diduga tergolong ke dalam kepiting-kepiting kecil dari family Ocypodidae dan Varunidae. Dua family juga memiliki kesamaan, sesuai yang dilaporkan oleh (39), bahwa Metaplax yang berasal dari Varunidae terkadang memiliki karakteristik perilaku yang sama dengan Ocypodidae. Secara morfologi dan cara hidupnya juga memiliki kemiripan dengan genus Macroptthalmus dari Ocypodidae. Semua spesies yang ditemukan memiliki habitat di ekosistem mangrove yang berlumpur. Kepiting memiliki peran sebagai sumber makanan bagi beberapa predator seperti burung pantai dan ikan (40–42), sedangkan di kawasan Taman Nasional Berbak-Sembilang sebagai sumber makanan bagi burung migran (43).

### *Scylla serrata*

*S. serrata* termasuk dalam famili Portunidae dan kelas Krustacea dari filum Arthropoda. *S. serrata* memiliki warna karapas hijau kehitaman. Terdapat 3 pasang kaki yaitu sepasang cheliped yang digunakan untuk mencari mangsa, 3 pasang kaki jalan, dan sepasang kaki renang yang berbentuk pipih (Gambar 2).



Gambar 2. Kepiting bakau (*S. serrata*)

#### Taksonomi

Kingdom	: Animalia
Filum	: Arthropoda
Kelas	: Malacostraca
Ordo	: Decapoda
Family	: Portunidae
Genus	: Scylla
Spesies	: <i>Scylla serrata</i> (Forskal, 1775)

### *Anadara granosa*

Kerang darah (*Anadara granosa*) merupakan salah satu hewan yang tergolong moluska dan termasuk ke dalam kelas bivalvia. Bivalvia merupakan kelompok hewan dengan karakteristik memiliki tubuh pipih lateral dan seluruh tubuhnya tertutup dua buah cangkang dan ukuran panjang *A. granosa* dari setiap stasiun berkisar 2-3 cm. *A. granosa* dewasa berukuran panjang 5-6 cm dan lebar 4 cm.



Gambar 3. Kerang darah (*Anadara granosa*)

#### Taksonomi

Kingdom	: Animalia
Filum	: Mollusca
Kelas	: Bivalvia
Subkelas	: Pteriomorpha
Order	: Arcoida
Famili	: Arcidae
Genus	: Anadara
Spesies	: <i>Anadara granosa</i>

### *Nerita balteata*

*Nerita balteata* termasuk dalam family Neritidea dan kelas Gastropoda dari filum Moluska. *N. balteata* ditemukan pada stasiun 6 hingga 15 di kawasan mangrove yakni pada akar dan batang mangrove. *N. balteata* memiliki ciri morfologi yaitu memiliki cangkang berwarna coklat kekuningan berbentuk oval dan memiliki garis cord spiral berwarna hitam. Selain itu gastropoda ini memiliki cangkang yang berukuran panjang berkisar 2-3 cm dan lebar berkisar 2 cm



Gambar 4. *Nerita balteata*

#### Taksonomi

Kingdom	: Animalia
Filum	: Moluska
Kelas	: Gastropoda
Famili	: Neritidea
Genus	: Nerita
Spesies	: <i>Nerita balteata</i>

### ***Cerithidea obtuse***

Ciri-ciri morfologi untuk gastropoda jenis *Cerithidae obtuse* termasuk dalam famili Potamididae dan kelas Gastropoda dari filum moluska. *C. obtuse* ditemukan pada stasiun 6 hingga 10 di kawasan mangrove yakni pada akar dan batang mangrove. Ciri-ciri morfologi untuk gastropoda jenis *C. obtusa* yaitu dilihat dari cangkang yang memiliki warna coklat keputihan dan berbentuk kerucut tebal yang memiliki putaran dekstral (berputar ke arah kanan). Ukuran panjang cangkang berkisar antara 3-4,4 cm dan lebar cangkang 2-2,3 cm.



Gambar 5. *Cerithidea obtusa*

### Taksonomi

Kingdom	: Animalia
Filum	: Moluska
Kelas	: Gastropoda
Ordo	: Sorbeoconcha
Famili	: Potamididae
Genus	: Cerithidea
Spesies	: <i>Cerithidea obtusa</i>

### ***Cerithidea cingulata***

*Cerithidae cingulata* termasuk dalam famili Potamididae dan kelas Gastropoda dari filum Moluska. *C. cingulata* ditemukan pada stasiun 11 hingga 15 di kawasan mangrove yakni pada akar dan batang mangrove. Ciri-ciri morfologinya memiliki bentuk kerucut dan apex meruncing, warna cangkang coklat kekuningan atau coklat gelap, inner lip berwarna putih mengkilap.



Gambar 6. *Cerithidea cingulata*

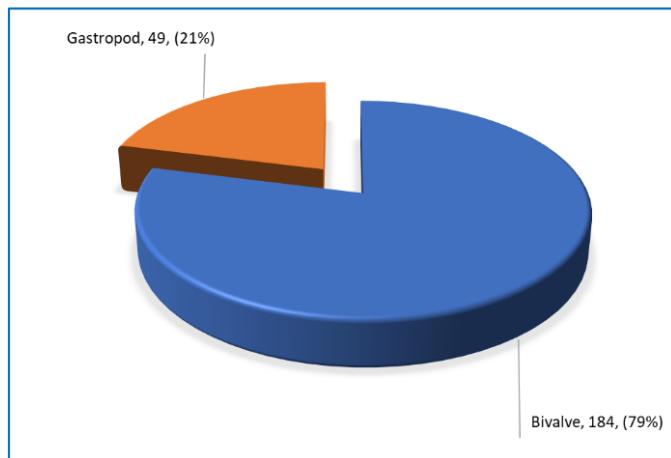
### Taksonomi

Kingdom	: Animalia
Filum	: Moluska
Kelas	: Gastropoda
Ordo	: Sorbeoconcha
Famili	: Potamididae
Genus	: Cerithidea
Spesies	: <i>Cerithidea cingulata</i>

## B. Status Ekologi Moluska di Pesisir Sumatera Selatan

Hasil pengukuran kualitas perairan di kawasan pesisir Taman Nasional Berbak-Sembilang menunjukkan kondisi yang relatif stabil atau normal untuk pertumbuhan moluska. Rata-rata nilai pH perairan diperoleh pada kondisi normal  $7,29 \pm 0,59$ , serta salinitas  $30,38 \pm 1,30$  psu. Oksigen terlarut (DO) dan suhu di semua stasiun pengamatan dikategorikan dalam kondisi baik dengan nilai rata-rata  $7,78 \pm 0,78$  mg/L dan  $29,49 \pm 0,14$  °C, namun kecerahan menunjukkan nilai rata-rata rendah yaitu  $15,45 \pm 6,18\%$  terutama di muara. Kecepatan aliran ditemukan menurun di daerah teluk atau muara dengan nilai rata-rata  $0,18 \pm 0,12$  m/s, sedangkan sebaran konsentrasi nitrat dan fosfat ditunjukkan relatif merata dengan rata-rata  $6,08 \pm 0,48$  mg/L, dan  $0,18 \pm 0,01$  mg/L.

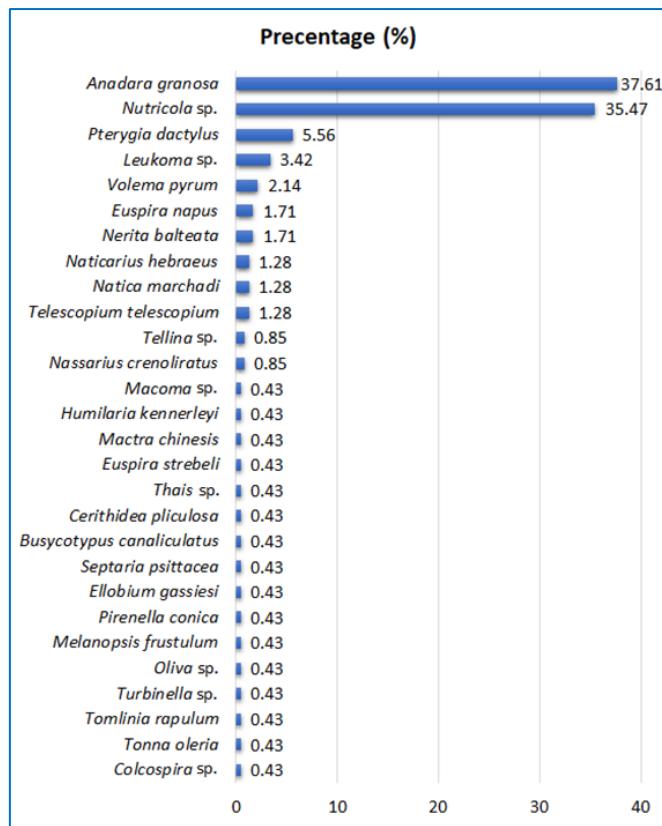
Komposisi moluska di semua stasiun pengamatan ditemukan hanya dua kelas, didominasi oleh Bivalvia 79% dan Gastropoda 21%. Sebaran kedua kelas ini tidak merata, dimana hanya terdapat pada stasiun-stasiun tertentu.



Gambar 7. Struktur komunitas Moluska di lokasi pengamatan

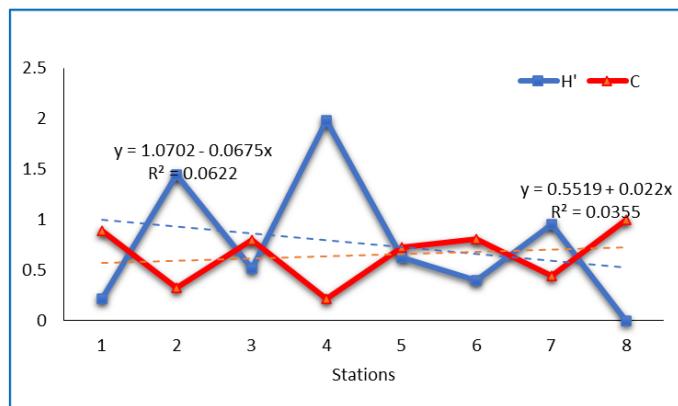
Sebanyak 28 spesies moluska yang teridentifikasi yang dinominasi oleh kelas Gastropoda dengan 21 spesies, sedangkan kelas Bivalve dengan 7 spesies. Namun, kelimpahan Bivalvia ditemukan lebih banyak daripada Gastropoda. Distribusi kelimpahan dan keanekaragaman jenis ditemukan tidak merata, seperti *Anadara granosa* yang ditemukan di hampir semua stasiun pengamatan, tetapi lebih banyak ditemukan hanya pada satu atau dua stasiun.

Nilai rata-rata keseluruhan individu moluska di lokasi pengamatan adalah  $263,25$  ind/m<sup>2</sup>. Kelimpahan tertinggi terdapat pada stasiun 4 sebesar  $531$  ind/m<sup>2</sup>, stasiun 3 sebesar  $495$  ind/m<sup>2</sup>, stasiun 6 sebesar  $333$  ind/m<sup>2</sup>, dan stasiun 5 sebesar  $297$  ind/m<sup>2</sup>, sedangkan yang lainnya diambil sebagai rata-rata ditemukan. Dua jenis moluska yang ditemukan mendominasi, yaitu: *Anadara granosa* 37,61% dan *Nutricola* sp. 35,47%, keduanya berasal dari kelas Bivalvia, berbeda dengan kelimpahan kelas Gastropoda yang didominasi oleh *Pterygia dactylus* 5,56% dan *Volema pyrum* 2,14%. Selain itu, sebaran kelas Bivalvia ternyata lebih merata dibandingkan Gastropoda.



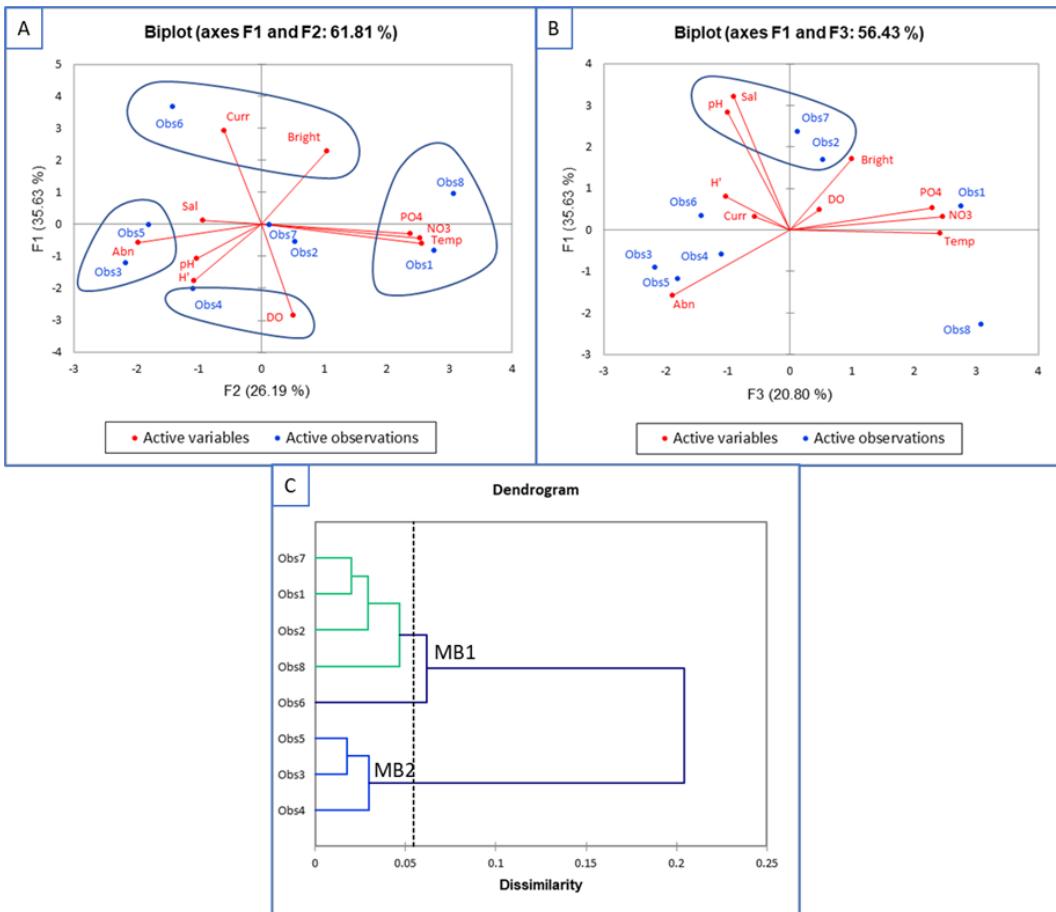
Gambar 8. Persentase spesies moluska

Mengingat keragaman spesies, indeks Shannon-Wiener ( $H'$ ) semuanya menurun secara signifikan di hampir semua stasiun pengamatan kategori rendah (Stasiun 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, dan 8), kecuali ada dua stasiun dalam kondisi sedang, kategori (Stasiun 2 dan 4). Hal ini juga didukung oleh nilai indeks Simpson (C), dimana dominasi spesies terjadi hampir di semua lokasi.



Gambar 9. Indeks Keanekaragaman Moluska di Taman Nasional Berbak-Sembilang

Hasil hubungan parameter kualitas air dengan kelimpahan dan keanekaragaman moluska di lokasi penelitian diperoleh Eigenvalues Kumulatif 82,61%, terbentuk lima kelompok yaitu: empat kelompok terbentuk pada sumbu F1 dan F2, sedangkan yang lainnya terbentuk pada sumbu F3 . Selain itu, kemiripan antar stasiun pengamatan dibentuk oleh dua cluster berkode MB1 dan MB2.



Gambar 10. Hubungan antara parameter kualitas air dengan kelimpahan dan keanekaragaman moluska, (a) sumbu F1 dan F2; (b) sumbu F3; (c) *Dendrogram dissimilarity*

Hasil analisis kemiripan yang dihitung dengan indeks dissimilaritas Bray-Curtis (Gambar 10c) menunjukkan bahwa sebaran kelimpahan dan keragaman moluska hampir sama, membentuk dua cluster (MB1 dan MB2). Nilai kesamaan rata-rata sebesar 83,74%. Klaster MB1 terbentuk pada stasiun 1, 2, 6, 7, dan 8 yang berada di pantai terbuka. Cluster ini dicirikan oleh suhu, salinitas, pH, kecerahan nutrisi, dan arus air yang lebih tinggi. Hal ini diduga karena pengaruh kuat wilayah massa air laut Selat Melaka dan Laut Cina Selatan. Klaster MB2 dibentuk oleh stasiun 3, 4, dan 5 yang terletak di muara muara sungai, ditandai dengan oksigen terlarut dan kelimpahan moluska yang lebih tinggi dibandingkan lokasi lain. Fluktuasi parameter kualitas air yang terus menerus diduga berdampak pada dominasi beberapa spesies di setiap stasiun. Kedua klaster tersebut menggambarkan bahwa kelimpahan dan keanekaragaman moluska di garis pantai lindung TNBS sangat dipengaruhi oleh perubahan parameter kualitas air.

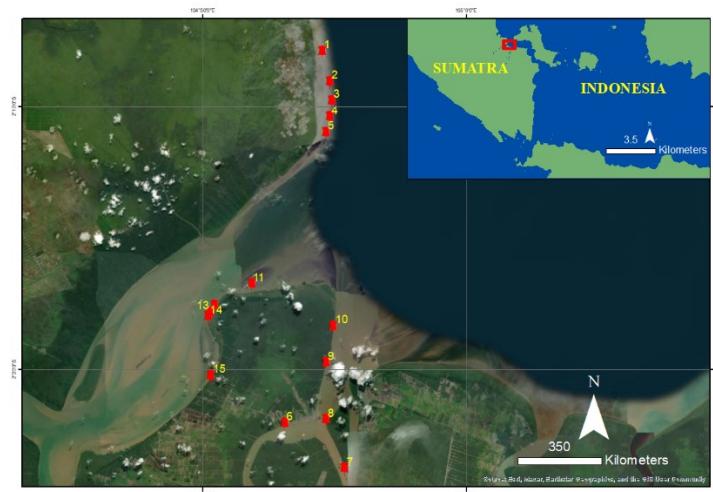
Terdapat 28 spesies moluska yang ditemukan di garis pantai lindung TNBS, yang dikelompokkan menjadi dua kelas, yaitu Bivalve 79% dengan 7 spesies, dan Gastropoda 21% dengan 27 spesies. Komposisi individu kelas Bivalvia lebih dominan dibandingkan dengan Gastropoda, meskipun jumlah spesiesnya lebih sedikit. Bivalvia memiliki kemampuan toleransi yang tinggi terhadap perubahan parameter lingkungan (44). Komposisi ini juga telah dilaporkan di pantai barat India (45), di estuari dari Sungai Gharehsou (46), di perkebunan bakau dan dua asosiasi alami Khanh Hoa, Vietnam (47). Berbeda dengan yang diberitakan bahwa Polychaeta lebih dominan di Muara Sungai Yangtze dan Pulau Batam, Indonesia (48), Gastropoda ditemukan dominan di Muara Musi (49), Gastropoda juga dominan di telaga parut kecamatan Pasuruan Jawa Timur (50), Gastropoda mendominasi Mumbai, pantai barat India (51). Hal ini menunjukkan bahwa persebaran individu kedua kelas moluska tersebut sangat bergantung pada habitatnya.

Kelimpahan moluska ditemukan cukup tinggi, yang meningkat secara signifikan di daerah estuari dibandingkan dengan daerah pesisir terbuka. Hal ini diduga dipengaruhi oleh keluarnya massa air dari tanah yang membawa lebih banyak bahan tersuspensi dan unsur hara. Selain itu pertemuan massa air menimbulkan daerah percampuran yang berdampak pada peningkatan kesuburan perairan. Kondisi ini sangat cocok untuk pertumbuhan dan reproduksi komunitas moluska sebagai biota sessile akuatik. Kelimpahan total ini lebih tinggi dari yang dilaporkan oleh (52–62).

## C. Bioakumulasi Logam Berat Pada Biota Bentik Dari Pesisir Sumatera Selatan

### Akumulasi Logam Berat pada Komunitas Bentik

Pengambilan sampel biota bentik untuk menganalisa kandungan logam berat disajikan pada Gambar 11.



Gambar 11. Lokasi sampling

Kandungan logam berat berdasarkan hasil pengukuran menggunakan AAS (*Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy*) Tipe AA 7000 pada tiga variabel disajikan pada Tabel 1.

Tabel 1. Kandungan logam berat

Sampel	Stasiun	Logam Berat		Cu	Baku Mutu Cu
		Pb	Baku Mutu Pb		
Air (mg/l)	1	0,400		TTD	
	2	0,429		TTD	
	3	0,434		TTD	
	4	0,333		TTD	
	5	0,302		TTD	
	6	0,008		TTD	
	7	TTD		TTD	
	8	TTD	0,008*	TTD	0,008*
	9	TTD		TTD	
	10	TTD		TTD	
	11	0,053		TTD	
	12	0,105		TTD	
	13	0,112		TTD	
	14	0,625		TTD	
	15	0,085		TTD	
Sedimen (mg/kg)	1	8,680		2,738	
	2	8,458		2,039	
	3	8,730		2,189	
	4	5,083		3,463	
	5	6,716		1,930	
	6	4,329		3,296	
	7	3,523		2,357	
	8	3,989	50**	2,822	65**
	9	3,921		2,451	
	10	1,261		0,193	
	11	9,312		12,614	
	12	11,070		10,510	
	13	9,656		12,496	
	14	7,440		19,300	
	15	9,454		17,070	

Sampel	Stasiun	Logam Berat		Cu	Baku Mutu Cu
		Pb	Baku Mutu Pb		
<i>Neoleanira tetragona</i> (mg/kg)	1	0,0026		0,0014	
	2	0,0041		0,0024	
	3	0,0042		0,0021	
	4	0,0029		0,0022	
	5	0,0044		0,0021	
	6	0,0010		0,0010	
	7	0,0004		0,0004	
	8	0,0005	0,12***	0,0021	3,28***
	9	0,0008		0,0008	
	10	0,0020		0,0016	
	11	0,0013		0,0003	
	12	0,0001		0,0009	
	13	0,0037		0,0022	
	14	TTD		0,0006	
	15	0,0008		0,0014	
<i>Anadara granosa</i> (mg/kg)	1	0,003		0,004	
	2	0,001		0,011	
	3	0		0,004	
	4	0,003		0,013	
	5	0,002		0,009	
	6	-		-	
	7	-		-	
	8	-	0,12***	-	3,28***
	9	-		-	
	10	-		-	
	11	-		-	
	12	-		-	
	13	-		-	
	14	-		-	
	15	-		-	
<i>Nerita balteata</i> (mg/kg)	1	-		-	
	2	-		-	
	3	-		-	
	4	-		-	
	5	-		-	
	6	0,004		0,005	
	7	0,004		0,005	
	8	0,003	0,12***	0,004	3,28***
	9	0,002		0,024	
	10	0,002		0,023	
	11	0,002		0,004	
	12	0,002		0,003	
	13	0,004		0,018	
	14	0,003		0,02	
	15	0,002		0,02	
<i>Cerithidea obtusa</i> (mg/kg)	1	-		-	
	2	-		-	
	3	-		-	
	4	-		-	
	5	-		-	
	6	0,002		0,005	
	7	0,002	0,12***	0,005	3,28***
	8	0,003		0,016	
	9	0,003		0,012	
	10	0,003		0,009	
	11	-		-	
	12	-		-	
	13	-		-	

Sampel	Stasiun	Logam Berat		Cu	Baku Mutu Cu
		Pb	Baku Mutu Pb		
<i>Cerithidea cingulata</i> (mg/kg)	14	-		-	
	15	-		-	
	1	-		-	
	2	-		-	
	3	-		-	
	4	-		-	
	5	-		-	
	6	-		-	
	7	-		-	
	8	-	0,12***	-	3,28***
	9	-		-	
	10	-		-	
	11	0,001		0,021	
	12	0,001		0,026	
	13	0,001		0,018	
	14	0,004		0,026	
	15	0,004		0,022	
<i>Scylla serrata</i> (mg/kg)	1	-		-	
	2	-		-	
	3	-		-	
	4	-		-	
	5	-		-	
	6	-		-	
	7	-		-	
	8	-	0,12***	-	3,28***
	9	-		-	
	10	-		-	
	11	0,0002		0,031	
	12	0,0001		0,055	
	13	TTD		0,080	
	14	0,0021		0,030	
	15	0,0008		0,062	

Keterangan, TTD : Tidak terdeteksi alat AAS

\* : Kepmen LH. No.51 Tahun 2004

\*\* : ANZECC, 2013

Konsentrasi logam berat Pb di air dari hasil pengukuran di laboratorium berkisar TTD – 0,625 mg/L. Konsentrasi terendah pada stasiun 7, 8, 9 dan 10 dan tertinggi pada stasiun 14. Sedangkan Nilai konsentrasi logam berat Cu yang didapatkan tidak terdeteksi oleh AAS. Konsentrasi logam berat Pb pada sedimen berdasarkan hasil pengukuran didapatkan berkisar 1,261 – 11,070 mg/kg . Konsentrasi terendah terdapat pada stasiun 10 dan stasiun 12. Adapun nilai konsentrasi logam berat Cu di sedimen didapatkan berkisar antara 1,930 - 19,30 mg/kg. Konsentrasi logam berat Pb dalam polychaeta memiliki kisaran TTD - 0,0044 mg/kg sedangkan nilai konsentrasi logam berat Cu adalah berkisar antara 0,0003 -0,0024 mg/kg.

Konsentrasi logam berat Pb dan Cu pada *A. granosa* yang ditemukan di stasiun 1 sampai 5 secara berurutan berkisar 0 - 0,003 mg/kg (Pb) dan 0,004-0,013 mg/kg (Cu). Konsentrasi logam berat Pb dan Cu pada *N. balteata* yang ditemukan di stasiun 6 sampai 15 secara berurutan berkisar 0,002 – 0,004 mg/kg (Pb) dan 0,003 – 0,024 mg/kg (Cu). Konsentrasi logam berat Pb dan Cu pada *C. obtusa* yang ditemukan di stasiun 6 sampai 10 secara berurutan berkisar 0,002 – 0,003 mg/kg (Pb) dan 0,005 – 0,016 mg/kg (Cu). Konsentrasi logam berat Pb dan Cu pada *C. cingulata* yang ditemukan di stasiun 11 sampai 15 secara berurutan berkisar 0,001 – 0,004 mg/kg (Pb) dan 0,018 – 0,026 mg/kg (Cu).

Konsentrasi logam berat Pb dan Cu dalam polychaeta yang didapatkan tidak melebihi baku mutu yang ditetapkan *International Atomic Energy Agency* Tahun 2003, dimana baku mutu logam berat Pb bernilai 0,12 mg/kg dan untuk Cu bernilai 3,28 mg/kg. Konsentrasi logam berat dapat bertambah tergantung dengan kondisi lingkungan perairan (63). Logam berat dapat berpindah ke dalam tubuh organisme melalui rantai makanan (64). Selain melalui rantai makanan, logam berat bisa masuk ke dalam tubuh polychaeta melalui kebiasaan dan pola makan dari polychaeta itu sendiri.

Konsentrasi logam Cu dan Pb pada *A. granosa* yang ditemukan di lokasi penelitian tergolong lebih rendah dibandingkan beberapa penelitian lain seperti pada penelitian (65) dan (66) yang mana juga meneliti kandungan logam berat yang terdapat pada jaringan bivalvia yakni berkisar  $1,34 \pm 0,59$  mg/kg dan  $2,45$  mg/kg untuk Cu serta  $0,04 \pm 0,01$  mg/kg dan  $2,97$  mg/kg untuk Pb. Kandungan logam berat akan terus meningkat seiring dengan lamanya kerang hidup di lingkungan sedimen karena sifatnya yaitu *filter feeder*. Menurut (67) juga konsentrasi logam berat pada sedimen juga mempengaruhi tinggi rendahnya konsentrasi logam berat pada kerang darah.

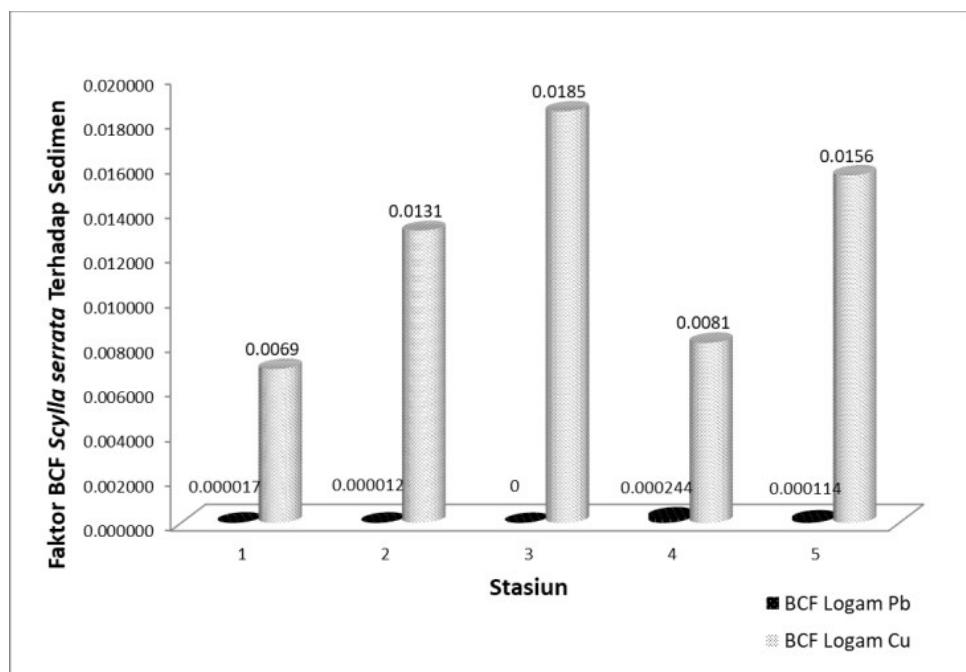
*N. balteata*, *C. cingulata* dan *C. obtuse* ditemukan di kawasan mangrove yakni pada akar dan batang mangrove. Kemampuan setiap masing-masing spesies gastropoda dalam mengatur dan mengakumulasi logam berat dikaitkan dengan fisiologi pencernaan pada spesies dan laju penyerapan logam berat oleh organisme itu sendiri. Perbedaan konsentrasi logam berat juga dipengaruhi oleh tingkat polusi, laju metabolisme, berat badan dan umur dari gastropoda itu sendiri (68). Ditemukan nilai kadar Cu pada *N. lineata* ( $2,80 - 4,40$  mg/g) dan Pb ( $38,55 - 53,35$  mg/g) dari zona intertidal. Berdasarkan penelitian (69) ditemukan pula nilai Cu ( $0,10 - 0,84$  mg/g) dan Pb ( $0,03 - 0,08$  mg/g) pada *C. Cingulata*.

Nilai konsentrasi logam berat Pb dan Cu pada *A. granosa*, *N. balteata*, *C. cingulata* dan *C. obtuse* menunjukkan bahwa nilainya masih dibawah baku mutu yang ditetapkan. Baku mutu yang logam berat untuk moluska mengacu pada FAO (1983) dimana untuk Pb ( $1,5$  mg/kg) dan Cu ( $10$  mg/kg). Artinya keempat biota ini tercemar logam berat Pb dan Cu dengan kadar yang masih aman untuk dikonsumsi oleh masyarakat. Keempat biota ini termasuk ke dalam biota konsumsi dan memiliki baku mutu kandungan logam berat Cu sebesar  $20$  ppm (Rahma *et al.* 2019). Hubungan antara parameter kualitas air dengan konsentrasi logam berat pada air, sedimen dan biota makrobenos ditunjukkan oleh suhu, salinitas dan pH yang ditentukan oleh jenis biota yang dianalisis dan lokasi stasiun.

Makrozoobentos memiliki sifat *filter feeder* yang memungkinkan dapat menyerap sejumlah logam berat yang berada pada perairan. Perbedaan kandungan logam berat dalam biota menurut (49), dapat disebabkan oleh beberapa faktor diantaranya perbedaan jenis spesies, kemampuan fisiologis organisme dan kondisi lingkungannya. *Neoleanira tetragona* di lokasi penelitian memiliki kandungan logam berat Pb dan Cu yang rendah. Hal ini dapat disebabkan karena kondisi lingkungan dan konsentrasi logam berat dalam sedimen juga tergolong rendah.

#### Bioconcentration Factor (BCF)

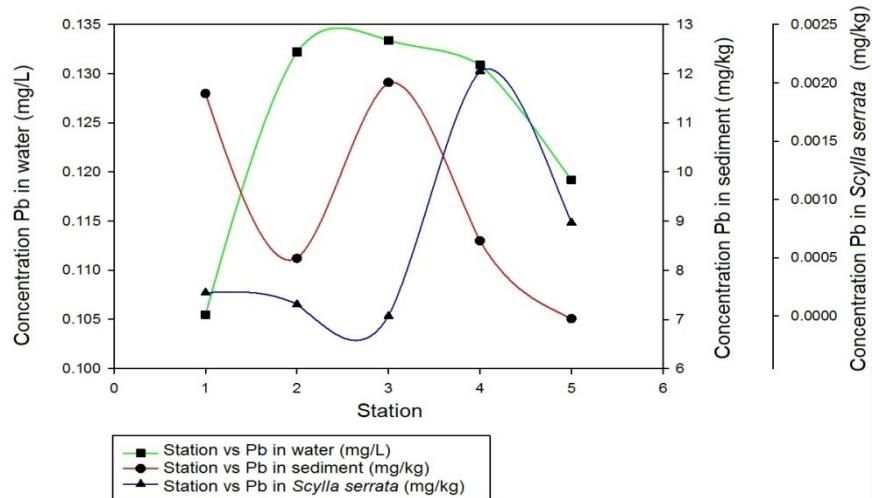
Faktor biokonsentrasi digunakan untuk mengetahui tingkat akumulasi logam berat Pb dan Cu pada *S. serrata* terhadap logam berat air dan sedimen (Gambar 12). Pada penelitian ini, BCF *S. serrata* terhadap air untuk logam tidak dapat ditentukan, karena logam berat Cu pada air tidak terdeteksi. Berdasarkan hasil perhitungan nilai BCF logam Pb *S. serrata* terhadap sedimen berkisar  $0,000012 - 0,000244$ . Sedangkan nilai BCF logam Cu *S. serrata* terhadap sedimen berkisar  $0,0069 - 0,0185$ .



Gambar 12. Faktor Biokonsentrasi (BCF) Logam Berat Pb dan Cu

### Distribusi Logam Berat pada Air, Sediment, dan *Scylla serrata*

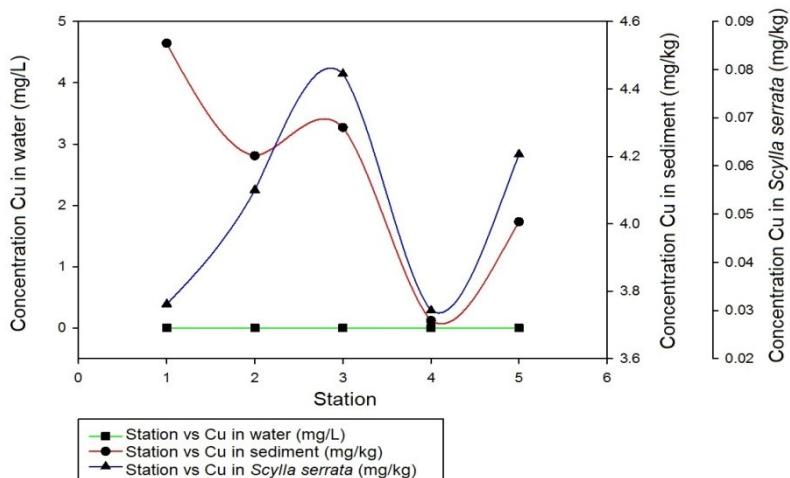
Distribusi logam berat Pb pada air, sedimen, dan *Scylla serrata* menunjukkan sebaran yang fluktuatif (Gambar 13). Konsentrasi logam berat tertinggi terdapat pada sedimen di seluruh stasiun. Kemudian diikuti dengan konsentrasi Pb pada air dan konsentrasi Pb terendah terdapat pada *Scylla serrata*.



Gambar 13. Distribusi Logam Berat Pb

Stasiun 1 menunjukkan hasil yang bervariasi dimana logam berat Pb pada sedimen menunjukkan nilai yang tinggi, sedangkan pada air dan *Scylla serrata* menunjukkan nilai yang rendah dibandingkan dengan stasiun lain. Logam berat Pb sedimen dan *Scylla serrata* memiliki pola yang menurun, sedangkan pada air memiliki pola yang meningkat. Stasiun 3 menunjukkan pola logam berat Pb air dan *Scylla serrata* cenderung sama dengan stasiun 2, sedangkan pada sedimen memiliki pola meningkat dengan signifikan. Logam berat Pb pada air dan sedimen di stasiun 4 memiliki pola menurun, sedangkan pada *Scylla serrata* memiliki pola yang meningkat dengan signifikan. Pada stasiun 5 menunjukkan logam berat Pb pada air, sedimen, dan *Scylla serrata* memiliki pola yang sama yaitu menurun.

Hasil distribusi logam berat Cu pada sedimen tertinggi di seluruh stasiun. Kemudian diikuti dengan konsentrasi Cu pada *Scylla serrata*, sedangkan pada air tidak terdeteksi (Gambar 14).



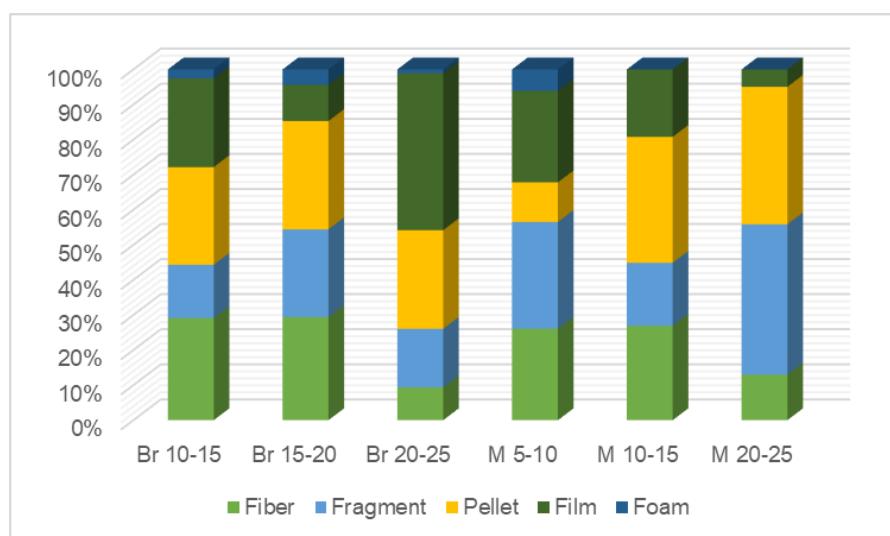
Gambar 14. Distribusi Logam Berat Cu

Konsentrasi Cu sedimen dan *Scylla serrata* pada stasiun 1 menunjukkan pola yang berbeda, konsentrasi Cu pada sedimen stasiun 1 menunjukkan konsentrasi tertinggi dibandingkan dengan stasiun lainnya, sedangkan pada *Scylla serrata* menunjukkan konsentrasi yang rendah dibandingkan dengan stasiun lainnya. Pada stasiun 2

konsentrasi Cu pada sedimen memiliki pola yang menurun, sedangkan pada *Scylla serrata* memiliki pola yang meningkat. Pada stasiun 3, 4, dan 5 menunjukkan pola yang sama antara sedimen dan *Scylla serrata* dimana pada stasiun 3 mengalami kenaikan, stasiun 4 mengalami penurunan, dan pada stasiun 5 mengalami kenaikan.

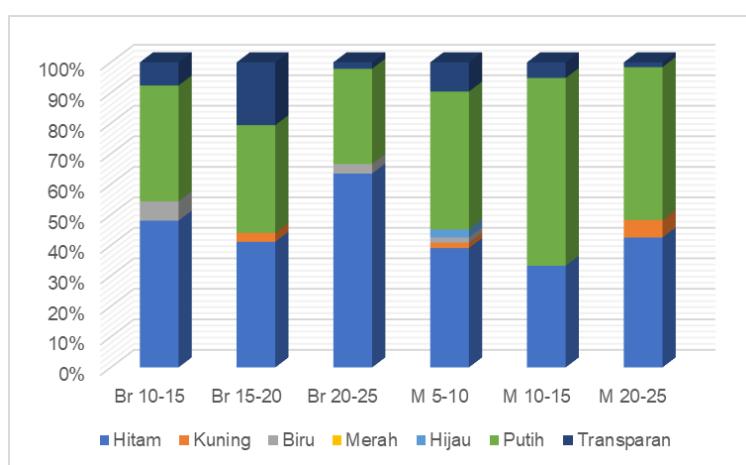
#### D. Bioakumulasi Mikroplastik Pada Biota Bentik Dari Pesisir Sumatera Selatan

Biota yang dianalisis kandungan mikroplastik (MPs) yaitu kerang *A. granosa*. Pemilihan ini didasarkan oleh perannya yang menjadi salah satu komoditas laut terbesar di Sumatera Selatan sedangkan perairannya diyakini menjadi sumber masuknya bahan pencemar MPs karena intensitas aktivitas antropogenik tinggi di perairan. Lokasi pengambilan sampel di kawasan perairan Sungai Barong dan Sungai Musi. Sampel diukur berdasarkan ukuran yang kemudian dibagi menjadi tiga kategori ukuran (kecil, sedang, besar).



Gambar 15. Karakterisasi mikroplastik berdasarkan jenis

Berdasarkan Gambar 15, mikroplastik yang ditemukan meliputi 5 jenis yaitu fiber, fragmen, pellet, film, dan foam. MPs jenis foam menjadi yang paling sedikit ditemukan diantara jenis lainnya. MPs fiber ditemukan pada kisaran 9% - 29%, MPs fragment ditemukan pada kisaran 15% - 43%, MPs pellet berkisar 11% - 39%, MPs film berkisar antara 5% - 45%, dan MPs foam berkisar 0% - 6%.



Gambar 16. Karakterisasi mikroplastik berdasarkan warna

Berdasarkan Gambar 16, mikroplastik yang ditemukan meliputi 7 warna yaitu hitam, kuning, biru, merah, hijau, putih, dan transparan. MPs hitam dan putih sangat dominan ditemukan di semua sampel dengan lebih dari 30%. MPs hitam ditemukan pada kisaran 33% - 64% sementara MPs putih berada ditemukan pada kisaran 31% - 62%. MPs transparan berkisar 2% - 21%, MPs Biru dan Kuning berkisar antara 0% - 6%, dan MPs hijau berkisar 0% - 3%.

Spesies *A. granosa* hidup di dasar perairan dan sebagian besar dihabiskan dengan mencari makan di permukaan subsrat (70,71). Terkait dengan perilakunya tersebut, maka terdapat hubungan antara kelimpahan MPs yang mengendap di dasar perairan dengan total bioakumulasi MPs pada organisme makrozoobentos ini. MPs dapat terakumulasi ke dalam tubuh organisme melalui saluran makannya lalu menyebar ke seluruh jaringan tubuh (72,73). Intensitas paparan yang tinggi akan menyebabkan gangguan kesehatan bahkan kematian pada organisme. Dampak jangka panjangnya yaitu hilangnya keseimbangan sistem ekologi sedangkan partikel MPs terus berpindah dari satu organisme ke organisme lain melalui proses biomagnifikasi.

Penilaian potensi MPs beracun dapat dilakukan dalam dua perspektif yakni penilaian kuantitatif MPs dan penilaian kuantitatif antioksidan pada organisme makrozoobentos. Keduanya memiliki hubungan yang linier, bahwa semakin tinggi tingkat paparan MPs maka level antioksidannya juga semakin kuat. Senyawa-senyawa bioaktif yang berhasil teridentifikasi bersifat antioksidan dalam respon fisiologis organisme yaitu jenis senyawa flavonoid, senyawa fenolat, peroksidase dan senyawa protein (74).

**D. STATUS LUARAN:** Tuliskan jenis, identitas dan status ketercapaian setiap luaran wajib dan luaran tambahan (jika ada) yang dijanjikan. Jenis luaran dapat berupa publikasi, perolehan kekayaan intelektual, hasil pengujian atau luaran lainnya yang telah dijanjikan pada proposal. Uraian status luaran harus didukung dengan bukti kemajuan ketercapaian luaran sesuai dengan luaran yang dijanjikan. Lengkapi isian jenis luaran yang dijanjikan serta mengunggah bukti dokumen ketercapaian luaran wajib dan luaran tambahan melalui BIMA.

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Penelitian ini melibatkan beberapa mahasiswa S1 dalam pengerjaannya sekaligus menjadi studi tugas akhir mereka. Keterlibatan secara langsung tersebut membutuhkan waktu yang cukup panjang secara administrasinya sehingga jalannya penelitian ini sedikit terlambat terutama pada topik tekanan mikroplastik pada ekosistem bentik. Namun seiring berjalannya waktu, keterlambatan jadwal tersebut tetap dikejar sesuai target perminggunya. Secara umum, pelaksanaan tiap tahap penelitian tidak memiliki hambatan yang signifikan, namun tim telah berusaha secara optimal dalam mencapai target capaian.

**G. RENCANA TAHAPAN SELANJUTNYA:** Tuliskan dan uraikan rencana penelitian di tahun berikutnya berdasarkan indikator luaran yang telah dicapai, rencana realisasi luaran wajib yang dijanjikan dan tambahan (jika ada) di tahun berikutnya serta *roadmap* penelitian keseluruhan. Pada bagian ini diperbolehkan untuk melengkapi penjelasan dari setiap tahapan dalam metoda yang akan direncanakan termasuk jadwal berkaitan dengan strategi untuk mencapai luaran seperti yang telah dijanjikan dalam

proposal. Jika diperlukan, penjelasan dapat juga dilengkapi dengan gambar, tabel, diagram, serta pustaka yang relevan. Jika laporan kemajuan merupakan laporan pelaksanaan tahun terakhir, pada bagian ini dapat dituliskan rencana penyelesaian target yang belum tercapai.

Semua data yang dikumpulkan akan dilakukan analisis data sebagai bagian dari penggerjaan penelitian ini untuk mendukung tujuan besar Peta Jalan Penelitian. Analisa terhadap data akan dilakukan oleh semua anggota tim untuk menemukan fenomena-fenomena terbaru yang mendukung kebaharuan ilmu pengetahuan sebagai salah satu unsur yang wajib ada dalam penulisan artikel ilmiah khususnya pada jurnal-jurnal internasional bereputasi yang menjadi luaran penelitian untuk tahun pertama dan kedua serta buku untuk tahun kedua.



Gambar 9. Peta jalan penelitian

Kegiatan penelitian yang dilakukan telah menghasilkan data-data yang mendukung tujuan besar Peta Jalan Penelitian yaitu Eksplorasi Ekosistem Bentik sebagai Bioindikator Lingkungan (Gambar 9). Selanjutnya, kajian tersebut akan bermanfaat pada pengembangan bidang *Marine Bioprospecting*. Hasil penelitian tersebut diharapkan akan diimplementasikan sebagai sebuah produk yang bermanfaat bagi sosial ekonomi masyarakat dan pengembangan produk kesehatan berbasis sumber daya alam dan pesisir. Sejalan dengan kegiatan penelitian yang terus berlanjut, artikel hasil penelitian akan terus diproses untuk publikasi sebagai luaran penelitian pada tahun yang sama dengan tahun kegiatan dan tahun berikutnya.

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## AN ECOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT OF CRAB'S DIVERSITY AMONG HABITATS OF MIGRATORY BIRDS AT BERBAK-SEMBILANG NATIONAL PARK INDONESIA

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### Abstract

Crabs have an important role in the food chain among the habitat of migratory birds at Berbak-Sembilang National Park (BSNP), due to it is the main food for these birds' population. The purpose of this study was to record the crabs' species found among the habitat of migratory birds at BSNP. The methodology used is a survey by measuring environmental parameter data and sampling crabs, where the identification of species is carried out morphologically and analyzed with references. The results showed that there were three species of crabs found on the BSNP coast, where it was identified as a species of *Uca dussumieri* (Edwards, 1852) (C1), *Metaplaax longipes* (Stimpson, 1858) (C2), and *Metaplaax distinct* (Edwards, 1852) (C3). Habitat of crabs are found on fine muddy substrates at a depth of about 60 to 80 cm, pH 6.08 to 6.2, salinity 27 to 29 psu, temperature 29 to 30 °C, nitrates and phosphates in water 6.69 mg L<sup>-1</sup> and 0.197 mg L<sup>-1</sup>. This condition is very suitable for the growth of crabs. In the future, research should be carried out on chemical-ecological interactions of crabs and another biota.

**Keywords:** Benthic; Crustacean; Migratory birds; Mud crab; Berbak-Sembilang National Park

### Introduction

Crabs are a group of crustaceans that are easily found in the Berbak-Sembilang National Park area, which is the main food source for migratory birds while in transit twice a year. The birds are reported to have originated from Siberia in the Northern Hemisphere and Australia in the Southern Hemisphere. The birds are reported to be transiting October-November from Siberia in the northern hemisphere to Australia in the southern hemisphere, and they will transit in March-April to return to the north [1]. In the transit season, the number of birds that have been reported reaches 1600 individuals for resting and foraging for food in marine life. Crabs are their main food in the intertidal area of this habitat [2-4].

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Morphologically, the crab has a very hard carapace to protect its body, it also has a pair of claws as a means of capturing prey and defense from predators. In addition, he can run quickly into the mud using four pairs of legs. It has a color and pattern adapted to the clarity of the waters or the substrate of its habitat, such as it is bright or lighter in sandy or rocky areas. Instead, it will be dark in turbid or muddy waters [5-9]. In general, the intertidal area of the Berbak-Sembilang National Park is mud-substrate, especially in the habitat of migratory birds. Therefore, these crabs are classified as mud crabs and are very suitable for their growth [10].

Based on this information, the ecological role of crabs in the food chain in the Berbak-Sembilang National Park area is very important. Therefore, this study is indispensable for a report on the crab species that feed on migratory birds, which will greatly assist further research in the area.

## Experimental part

### *Sampling site*

Habitat crabs is a transit area for migratory birds in the Berbak-Sembilang National Park, Indonesia, which is an estuary area with extensive mangrove vegetation. The migratory birds species in this area are *Calidris alpina*, *Charadrius mongolus*, *Limosa lapponica*, *Limosa limosa*, *Limonodromus semipalmatus*, *Numenius arquata*, *Tringanebularia*, and *Tringa tetanus* [11]. Besides that, stork and shorebirds were also found [12]. However, at the sampling time of 25 October 2020, there was no large flock of migratory birds due to it was not the bird's arrival season, namely November and March. This region and its surroundings have a mud substrate, is commonly covered by mangrove *Avicennia marina* species [13-15], and is directly affected by the freshwater masses from the Barong and Banyuasin rivers [16, 17]. Map of sampling location is presented on (Fig. 1).



Fig. 1. Sampling site

### *Methods*

This research was conducted using a survey method, with the location of the coordinate points 2.1638972 S and 104.9075056 °E. Crabs were randomly sampled by being captured in mud, washed with clean water in the plastic sample, and added with 10% formalin solution.

Environmental parameters such as salinity, temperature, pH, current, dissolved oxygen, nitrate, and phosphate are measured as supporting data.

In the laboratory, the samples were rinsed with clean water. The carapace, abdomen, legs, joints and claws were measured and weighed. Morphological identification was carried out by refer to [18-23].

## Results and discussion

There were three species of crab found in the sampling location which were identified as *Uca dussumieri* (Edwards, 1852) (C1), *Metaplagia longipes* (Stimpson, 1858) (C2), and *Metaplagia distinct* (Edwards, 1852) (C3). The mass supply of freshwater from the Barong and Banyuasin Rivers causes the color of the water to become cloudy because it is influenced by high suspended materials (Fig. 2).

On the substrate, fine black mud was found with a depth of 60 to 100 cm. The results of the environmental parameter measured salinity was 27 to 29 psu, temperature was 29 to 30°C, pH was 6.08 to 6.2, nitrate and phosphate were 6.69 and 0.197 mg L<sup>-1</sup>.



**Fig. 2.** Crabs habitat of migratory birds ground at Berbak-Sembilang National Park

### *Species of Uca dussumieri (Edwards, 1852) (C1)*

There were 14 individuals coded C1-14 of the station observation. Morphologically, it looked unique in the size of the claws, which was bigger in one (Fig. 3).



**Fig. 3.** Details of the morphological characters *Uca dussumieri* (Edwards, 1852) species (C1) that are considered for morphometric analysis:

(a) carapace, (b) cheliped, (c) leg, (d) abdomen

When the big claw is damaged or broken, it will grow back or the other claws will enlarge. It is colored bright yellowish, and rash or serrated on the surface of the dactylus, propodus and carpus. The carapace resembles a trapezoid with a wider anterior side and a pointed tip, it is called the trapezoidal carapace. It colored brownish black, dark brown and blackish orange [24]. The eyeball is black and round with a long eye shaft approaching the anterior end of the carapace. This crab has five pairs of legs, one pair in the front of the claw, and four pairs of walking legs. The abdomen is bluish in the shape of an elongated triangle.

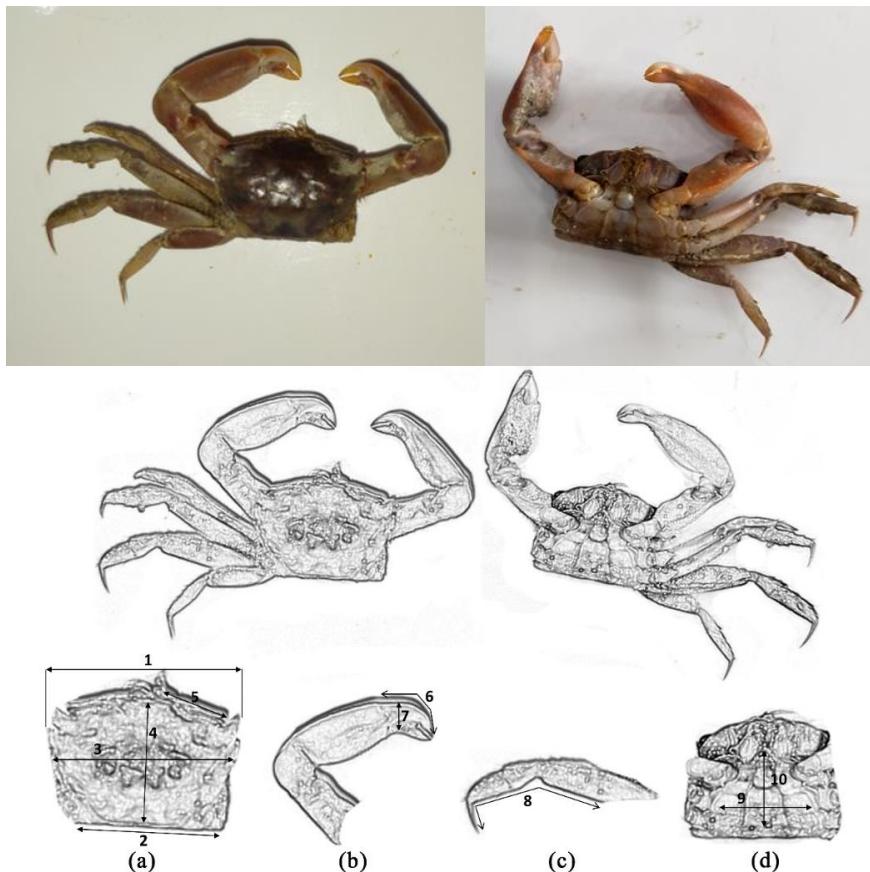
Based on the morphological characteristics, this species is classified as a fiddler crab, it has similarities with several other species such as *Uca demani* and *Uca urvillei* [25, 26]. It can be found in muddy areas of mangrove areas [27, 28]. The results of the morphometric measurements of this species are detailed in Table 1.

**Table 1.** Morphometric data of *Uca dussumieri* (Edwards, 1852) species (C1)

Data	Number Code (C1)	Sample Size (mm) Min - Max	Average
<b><i>Carapace Data</i></b>			
Anterior carapace width (ACW)	1	12.8 – 25	18.15
Posterior carapace width (PCW)	2	5.5 – 14.27	9.92
Internal carapace width (ICW)	3	9.85 – 25	13.86
Carapace length (CL)	4	6.66 – 11.83	9.08
Eye stalk length (ESL)	5	4.72 – 9.59	6.98
<b><i>Cheliped Data</i></b>			
Dactyl major length (DML)	6	20.38 – 54.82	34.71
Dactyl minor length (DmL)	6	11.25 – 21.11	16.71
Propodus major width (PMW)	7	6.01 – 12.1	8.9
Propodus minor width (PmW)	7	1.72 – 2.81	2.1
<b><i>Walking Leg Data</i></b>			
1 <sup>st</sup> Leg length (1LL)	8	14.13 – 28.23	20.98
2 <sup>nd</sup> Leg length (2LL)	8	12.69 – 31	22.3
3 <sup>rd</sup> Leg length (3LL)	8	12.72 – 28.08	21.05
4 <sup>th</sup> Leg length (4LL)	8	11.15 – 24.45	17.73
<b><i>Abdomen Data</i></b>			
Abdomen length (AL)	9	5.21 – 12.83	8.43
Abdomen width (AW)	10	5.6 – 11	8.29

### *Species Metaplax longipes (Stimpson, 1858) (C2)*

Only one individual was obtained at the sampling site, it had a dark brown carapace, but lighter carapace color elsewhere was also found (Fig. 4). The carapace is a rounded square with a shorter underside or is called a squarish or subquadrate carapace. This species has a pair of claws that are the same size and longer than four pairs of walking legs. The claws are orange-brown, while other features are the very long propodus part, short dactyl, and the cheliped surface is quite smooth [26]. The eyeball is black with the length of the eye shaft extending to the anterior end of the carapace. This crab has five pairs of legs consisting of one pair of claws and four walking legs. The second and third walking feet are longer than the first and fourth legs. The abdomen is light brown, and has an elongated triangular shape. The genus of this species is Metaplax from the family Varunidae. Based on the morphology and phylogenetic tree, this species has similarities with *Metaplax takahashii*, *Cyclograpsus granulosus*, *Helice wuana*, and *Eriocheir japonica* [26, 29]. Almost all species of this genus are found in muddy habitats near mangrove ecosystems, they are also found in sandy substrate dominated by seawater [29-31]. The results of the morphometric measurements of this species are detailed in Table 2.



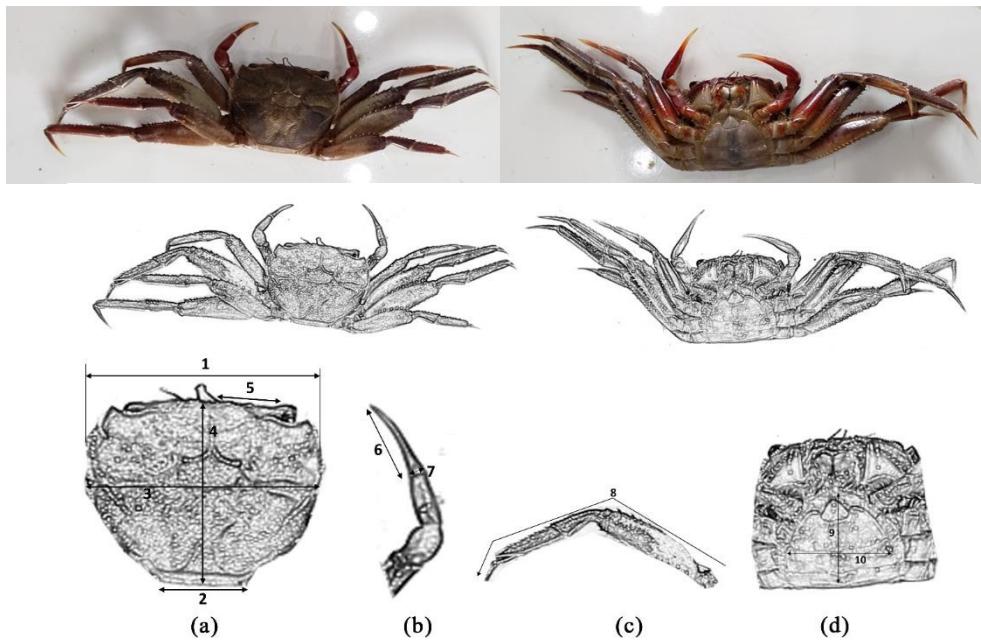
**Fig. 4.** Details of the morphological characters *Metaplag longipes* (Stimpson, 1858) (C2) species that considered for morphometric analysis:  
 (a) carapace, (b) cheliped, (c) leg, (d) abdomen

**Table 2.** Morphometric data of *Metaplag longipes* (Stimpson, 1858) (C2) species

Data	Number Code (C2)	Sample Size (mm)	Average
<b><i>Carapace Data</i></b>			
Anterior carapace width (ACW)	1	11	11
Posterior carapace width (PCW)	2	6	6
Internal carapace width (ICW)	3	8.92	8.92
Carapace length (CL)	4	6.16	6.16
Eye stalk length (ESL)	5	3.35	3.35
<b><i>Cheliped Data</i></b>			
Dactyl length (DL)	6	22.3	22.3
Propodus width (PW)	7	5.7	5.7
<b><i>Leg Data</i></b>			
1 <sup>st</sup> Leg length (1LL)	8	15.2	15.2
2 <sup>nd</sup> Leg length (2LL)	8	19.87	19.87
3 <sup>rd</sup> Leg length (3LL)	8	19.99	19.99
4 <sup>th</sup> Leg length (4LL)	8	12.76	12.76
<b><i>Abdomen Data</i></b>			
Abdomen length (AL)	9	7.22	7.22
Abdomen width (AW)	10	2.57	2.57

**Species of *Metaplax distinct* (Edwards, 1852) (C3)**

Two individuals were captured in the sampling location (Fig. 5). The carapace is rectangular with slightly rounded sides and a lower side that is shorter than the top which is called a subquadrate or squarish. The carapace is predominantly dark brown color, with both anterior sides tapering. The claws of this species are short and small compared to the walking legs, this indicates the sex of the female, because this female species has a pair of claws that are shorter and smaller than the male species [32, 33]. The claws are predominantly blackish red with orange dactyls. The two eyeballs are round black with a stem that extends almost to the outer side of the anterior. There are five pairs of legs, one pair of claws and four pairs of walking legs. The sizes of the second and third walking legs are longer than the first and fourth walking legs. This species is female, with a broad and rounded triangular abdomen [34]. This species has similarities with *Metaplax gocongensis* and *Metaplax indica* [7]. It is classified in the Varunidae family, also called crabs with muddy estuarine habitats, found mostly in mangrove areas and sandy beaches [31, 35]. The results of the morphometric measurements of this species are detailed in Table 3.



**Fig. 5.** Details of the morphological characters *Metaplax distinct* (Edwards, 1852) (C3) species that considered for morphometric analysis:  
 (a) carapace, (b) cheliped, (c) leg, (d) abdomen

**Table 3.** Morphometric data of *Metaplax distincta* (Edwards, 1852) (C3) species

Data	Number Code (C3)	Sample Size (mm) Min-Max	Average
<b>Carapace Data</b>			
Anterior carapace width (ACW)	1	24.05 - 24.98	24.52
Posterior carapace width (PCW)	2	11.62 - 11.79	11.71
Internal carapace width (ICW)	3	22.41 - 22.42	22.42
Carapace length (CL)	4	11.04 - 12.29	11.67
Eye stalk length (ESL)	5	5.87 - 6.24	6.06
<b>Cheliped Data</b>			

Data	Number Code (C3)	Sample Size (mm) Min-Max	Average
Dactyl length (DL)	6	28.33 – 28.85	28.59
Propodus width (PW)	7	3.37 – 3.46	3.42
<b>Leg Data</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup> Leg length (1LL)	8	37.76 – 38.85	38.31
2 <sup>nd</sup> Leg length (2LL)	8	49.93 – 50.09	50.01
3 <sup>rd</sup> Leg length (3LL)	8	54.96 – 55.18	55.07
4 <sup>th</sup> Leg length (4LL)	8	41.59 – 45.55	43.57
<b>Abdomen Data</b>			
Abdomen length (AL)	9	17.29 – 17.41	17.35
Abdomen width (AW)	10	15.71 – 16.34	16.03

## Discussion

The identification of crab species is determined based on its morphological shape. Several parts of the crab body are used as references in identification, such as the shape and pattern of the carapace, the shape and color of the claws, the shape of the eyes, the shape and number of legs, and the pattern of the abdomen [18, 36]. The carapaces of the three crab species found at the sampling location show the trapezoidal and squarish shapes, these correspond to the 14 carapace forms described by [23], the crab carapace shape is divided into 14 parts, namely longitudinally rectangular, transversely rectangular, squarish, trapezoidal, pentagonal, hexagonal, transversely hexagonal, transversely ovate, longitudinally ovate, transversely subovate, triangular, circular, subcircular, and pyriform.

*Uca dussumieri* (Edwards, 1852) (C1) species is unique in a pair of claws of different sizes, one larger than the other, but the shape and pattern of the claws are shown to be the same. Several studies have reported the uniqueness of the crab *Uca dussumieri* (Edwards, 1852) species. The uniqueness of the claws in this species, if there is damage or breakage, it will grow back to its original state. The process of growing a claw can be done in two ways, namely: first, it grows in the part where it is broken, and second, it grows on the part of the smallest claw that becomes enlarged [37-40]. *Uca dussumieri* (Edwards, 1852) is a fiddler crab from the Ocypodidae family [41, 42].

*Uca dussumieri* (Edwards, 1852) (C1) species is strongly suspected to be the *Uca dussumieri* (Edwards, 1852) species. Based on the shape and color of the carapace, this species is shown to be trapezoidal and blackish brown, while the claws are yellowish white [21]. The *Uca dussumieri* (Edwards, 1852) species is included in the crab that lives in the mud. This is also reported by [25]. Habitat of *Uca dussumieri* (Edwards, 1852) (C1) was collected around the muddy substrate mangrove area of Berbak-Sembilang National Park. This has a similarity to the *Uca dussumieri* (Edwards, 1852) habitat found by [43].

The *Metaplax longipes* (Stimpson, 1858) (C2) species have a squarish or subquadrate carapace form [26]. The carapace is dark brown with two sharp serrations on the anterior end. It has a pair of pincers the same size, cheliped this species is very long, especially the propodus, but the dactyl is relatively short and orange brown. Morphologically, this species is quite confusing to identify, but it is suspected as a species of *Metaplax longipes* (Stimpson, 1858). This species belongs to the family Varunidae is also known as the Thoracotrematan crabs family [44, 45]. The morphology of *Metaplax longipes* (Stimpson, 1858) is very similar to that of the Sesarmidae from the Grapsidae family, but the phylogenetic results are grouped into Varunidae [26, 29, 30], and it belongs to the deposit feeder crab class [46, 47].

Morphologically, *Metaplax distinct* (Edwards, 1852) (C3) has a subquadrate carapace shape, like a box and the posterior carapace tends to be rounded, is dark brown-black in color

and the claws colori s reddish-black with an orange chela. This carapace is the same as the species of the Varunidae group, but differs in the shape of the smaller claws, this indicates that it is a female type, where the species of the Varunidae group have a very small pair of claws compared to the male species. In addition, the abdomen is triangular shape [37, 48]. This species can live in habitats on muddy to sandy beaches [35]. It is also found in mangrove or estuary areas [4, 49]. In some cases, this species is found with a lighter carapace color, this is due to the environment in which it lives [50, 51]. Darker carapaces are found in muddy areas, while lighter carapaces are found in substrate areas that tend to be sandy [52].

Overall, the crabs found in this study are thought to belong to the small crabs from the Ocypodidae and Varunidae families. The two families also have something in common, as reported [53], that some of the Metaplax in the Varunidae group have the same behavioral characteristics as the Ocypodidae. The morphology and way of life also have similarities with the Macroptalmus genus of Ocypodidae. All species found have habitats in the muddy mangrove ecosystem. Crabs have a role as a food source for several predators such as shorebirds and fish [54, 55], while in the Berbak-Sembilang National Park area as feeding ground migratory birds.

The three types of crabs found sare an important analysis in the future. Furthermore, this crab data can be used to explore bioactive compounds and also to correlate the benefits and disadvantages of migratory birds as a typical organism that crosses the Berbak-Sembilang National Park area.

## Conclusions

Three types of crabs caught around migratory bird habitats in Berbak-Sembilang National Park were identified as *Uca dussumieri* (Edwards, 1852), *Metaplax longipes* (Stimpson, 1858) and *Metaplax distinct* (Edwards, 1852). The environmental parameter conditions are very suitable for the growth of these crabs. In addition to the fine mud substrate habitat, this is the first reported in the region, and it is also found to be a major source of food by migratory birds. In the future, research should be carried out on ecological interactions and compound content in crabs and other biota.

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I am pleased to submit an original research article entitled “Mollusks diversity in the protected coastline of Berbak-Sembilang National Park Indonesia” by Rozirwan, Fauziyah, Redho Yoga Nugroho, Tengku Zia Ulqodry, Wike Ayu Eka Putri, Afan Absori, and Iskhaq Iskandar for publication in the Regional Studies in Marine Science. We previously explored the community structure of macrobenthos in Musi River and Api-api Cape, South Sumatra (Almaniar et al., 2021; Rozirwan et al., 2021). The two previous studies were near by to the location of this study that was in a protected area. This manuscript was constructed to explore the community structure of mollusks in the mud flat that was protected area of Berbak Sembilang National Park, South Sumatra. The results of this study were important to be published as a reference for further research.

In this manuscript, bivalves and gastropods had dominant presence and abundance allowed for their role as a significant food source for migratory birds in the mangrove mud flat. This study implicitly revealed the existence of mollusks in influencing ecological processes in the mangrove mud flat of Berbak Sembilang National Park, South Sumatra.

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**Highlights**

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4     **41 1. Introduction**  
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6     Mollusks are a group of aquatic benthic, which are infauna and epifauna with limited  
7 movement. Its existence is very vulnerable to be influenced by various changes in environmental  
8 quality. Aquatic substrates such as mud, sand, and rocks are reported to have many differences in  
9 the diversity of these biotas. Diversity mollusks are very easy to find at the bottom of the water  
10 with a substrate of mud and sand (Abdelhady et al., 2019; Kabir et al., 2014; Rozirwan et al.,  
11 2021a). Although also found in rock substrates (Joesidawati, 2018; Sahidin et al., 2018), mollusks  
12 on mud substrates were found to be more diverse due to the nature of their filter feeders, especially  
13 in mangrove ecosystems (Ariyanto, 2019; Islamy and Hasan, 2020; Rozirwan et al., 2021a). On  
14 the other hand, the mollusks were a major food source for demersal fish and seabirds (Crooks,  
15 2002). Several species of shorebirds, storks, and seabirds were found to prey on mollusks (Iqbal  
16 et al., 2020; Janra et al., 2018). Various threats will reduce the diversity of mollusks in various  
17 habitats. Most of the larval stages of macrofauna were planktonophagous, as food for large  
18 zooplankton and fish, which significantly affected the number and species composition of  
19 macrofauna (Liu et al., 2019; Rozirwan et al., 2021b).

20     Berbak-Sembilang National Park (BSNP) is an estuary area located on the coast of Sumatra  
21 Island with a long coastline covered by a wide mangrove forest. they are supported by a thick and  
22 nutrient-rich mud substrate which has an impact on increasing the abundance and diversity of  
23 biota, especially benthic organisms. There are 32 mangrove species in BSNP with an area of  
24 70,263 hectares (Ratmoko et al., 2021). Nevertheless, this area has decreased from year to year  
25 due to many factors such as forest fires, coastal abrasion, forest encroachment by residents, and  
26 the creation of pond shrimp farming (Sarno et al., 2018). The destruction of mangrove forests has  
27 a very significant impact on decreasing the abundance and diversity of benthic organisms,  
28 especially the mollusk phylum, where their limited movement causes them to adapt to the  
29 fluctuation's environmental changes (Wu et al., 2018). Furthermore, the linkage of mollusks with  
30 mangrove ecosystems is very high, because mangroves are the main food source, and thick silt is  
31 a very suitable habitat for their growth (Feng et al., 2018).

32     The dynamics of changing water quality have an impact on decreasing the mollusks  
33 community structure in an area, it will be exacerbated by an increase of the anthropogenic waste  
34 (Calle et al., 2018; Suratissa and Rathnayake, 2017; Zaki et al., 2021). However, a decrease in  
35 mollusks diversity can also occur in protected areas such as the BSNP, especially in the coastal  
36 areas, which are vulnerable to environmental changes. This has a significant impact on the  
37 diversity of mollusks as a sessile biota with very limited movement (Almaniar et al., 2021; Reis et  
38 al., 2021). In addition, the discharge of water masses from land carrying suspended substances and  
39 organic matter has an impact on increasing the distribution of abundance and diversity of mollusks  
40 (Fonseca et al., 2020; Rehitha et al., 2017), this occurs naturally and continuously over time  
41 (Marsden and Baharuddin, 2015; Yan et al., 2017).

42     This study aims to examine the diversity of mollusks in the protected coastline of BSNP.  
43 In addition, it is also to update data on mollusks as the largest group of benthic organisms reported  
44 in the tropical coastal area of the eastern part of Sumatra Island.

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5 82 **2. Materials and Methods**  
6 83 2.1 Study area

7 84 The Berbak-Sembilang National Park (BSNP) is a mangrove forest conservation area of  
8 85 about 2,051 km<sup>2</sup> (Sarno et al., 2018; Sarno et al., 2017). This area has a thick mud subtract, sourced  
9 86 from some rivers around it such as the Sembilang river, Barong river, and Banyuasin river. In  
10 87 addition, this coastal area has endemic biota such as the Sembilang fish (*Plotusus canius*), the giant  
11 88 freshwater turtle (*Chitra indica*), the saltwater crocodile (*Crocodylus porosus*), and a habitat for  
12 89 several types of shorebirds, storks, and migratory birds (Iqbal et al., 2020). Macrobenthos in this  
13 90 area is the main food of these birds.

14 91 The protected coastline of the BSNP was specifically targeted for this study (**Fig. 1**). BSNP  
15 92 is located on the western coast of the Bangka Strait, South Sumatra, which is an estuary area  
16 93 formed from a mixture of freshwater masses from the mainland of Sumatra with seawater masses  
17 94 from the Melaka Strait and the South China Sea (Rozirwan et al., 2019). The BSNP coastline has  
18 95 dynamic water quality parameters, which are during the rainy season and the dry season. In the  
19 96 rainy season, freshwater discharge from the mainland will increase which results in a decrease in  
20 97 salinity, brightness, and an increase in nutrients. In addition, high mangrove waste will increase  
21 98 water fertility. In contrast, in the dry season, there are clearer waters, and an increase in salinity,  
22 99 due to the dominant influence of seawater masses. Overall, the BSNP estuary shows a dynamic  
23 100 environment, where water quality parameters are directly/indirectly influenced by different  
24 101 seasons and/or episodic events of freshwater input to the offshore (Ratmoko et al., 2021).

25 102 This research was conducted at eight observation stations in the protected coastline of BSNP  
26 103 waters with a length of about 60 km. Stations 1 and 2 represent the bay area and the open coast.  
27 104 Stations 3, 4, and 5 represent river estuary areas, while Stations 6, 7, and 8 represent open shore  
28 105 areas and migratory bird habitats.

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30 107 **Fig. 1.** Map of sampling stations in Berbak-Sembilang National Park

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32 109 2.2 Data collection and sampling processing

33 110 Data on the water physical parameters (i.e. pH, salinity, dissolved oxygen, temperature,  
34 111 brightness, and current speed) are carried out *in-situ* with three repetitions at the observation  
35 112 station, respectively. Measurements used for the water pH with a pH meter, salinity with a hand  
36 113 refractometer, dissolved oxygen (DO) with a DO meter, temperature with a digital thermometer,  
37 114 brightness with Secchi disk, and current speed with a current meter. Nitrate and phosphate  
38 115 measurements used a spectrophotometer.

39 116 Mollusks samples were collected on sediments with a depth of 20 cm and a transect area of  
40 117 1 x 1 m. A sampling at the station was carried out three times, respectively. Then the samples were  
41 118 put into plastic samples and labeled by each station for further analysis. The mollusks sample  
42 119 obtained was separated from sediment, washed with clean water, and preserved with 8% formalin

(Weerman et al., 2011), and samples identified by refer to (Hibberd, 2009; Purchon, 2013; Sturm et al., 2006).

### 2.3 Statistical analysis

Data analysis on water quality parameters was described using MS Excel software. The mollusks abundance data were analyzed of total percentage and total individual per species. The species diversity data were analyzed by the Shannon-Winner index ( $H'$ ) and the Dominance Index by Simpson (C). Principle component analysis (PCA) was used to analyze the correlation between water quality parameters and the abundance and diversity of mollusks and the similarity of stations were analyzed by Bray-Curtis dissimilarity analysis using XLSTAT 2021.

## 3. Results

### 3.1 Water quality parameters of Berbak-Sembilang National Park

The results of the measurement of the quality of waters in the coastal area of BSNP show that the conditions are relatively stable or normal for the growth of mollusks. The average pH value of the waters was obtained under normal conditions of  $7.29 \pm 0.59$ , as well as salinity of  $30.38 \pm 1.30$  ppt, although there was a slight decrease at station 8 (28 ppt), this is normal in the estuary area.

Dissolved oxygen (DO) and temperature in all observation stations were categorized in good condition with mean values were  $7.78 \pm 0.78$  mg L<sup>-1</sup> and  $29.49 \pm 0.14$  °C, but brightness showed a low mean value of  $15.45 \pm 6.18\%$ , especially in the estuary area. rivers, namely: stations 3, 4, and 5. The flow velocity was found to be decreasing in the bay or estuary area with an average value of  $0.18 \pm 0.12$  m s<sup>-1</sup>, while the distribution of nitrate and phosphate concentrations was shown to be relatively even with a mean of  $6.08 \pm 0.48$  mg L<sup>-1</sup>, and  $0.18 \pm 0.01$  mg L<sup>-1</sup> (**Table 1**).

**Table 1**

Water quality parameters of Berbak-Sembilang National Park

### 3.2 Mollusks species of community structure

The composition of mollusks in all observation stations was found to be only two classes which were dominated by Bivalve 79% and Gastropod 21%. The distribution of these two classes is uneven, where they are only found at certain stations.

**Fig. 2.** Mollusks community structure in Berbak-Sembilang National Park

A total of 28 species of mollusks were identified in BSNP, nominated by the Gastropod class with 21 species, while the Bivalve class with 7 species. However, the abundance of Bivalves was found more than Gastropod. The distribution of the abundance and diversity of species was found to be uneven, such as *Anadara granosa*, which was found in almost all observation stations, but more species were found in only one or two at the station.

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8 164 3.3 Mollusks abundance and diversity  
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11 166 highest abundance found at station 4 is 531 ind m<sup>-2</sup>, station 3 is 495 ind m<sup>-2</sup>, station 6 is 333 ind  
12 167 m<sup>-2</sup>, and station 5 is 297 ind m<sup>-2</sup>, while others are taken as the average found. Two species of  
13 168 mollusks were found to dominate, namely: *Anadara granosa* 37.61% and *Nutricola* sp. 35.47%,  
14 169 both of which are from the Bivalve class, in contrast to the abundance of the Gastropod class which  
15 170 was dominated by *Pterygia dactylus* 5.56% and *Volema pyrum* 2.14%. In addition, the distribution  
16 171 of the Bivalve class was found to be more even than that of Gastropod.  
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19 173 **Fig. 3.** Percentage of mollusks species of Berbak-Sembilang National Park  
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22 175 Given the diversity of species, the Shannon-Wiener index (H') all decreased significantly at  
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24 177 stations in the moderate category (Station 2 and 4). This is also supported by the Simpson index  
25 178 value (C), where species dominance occurs in almost all locations (**Fig. 4**).  
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28 180 **Fig. 4.** Diversity index of mollusks of Berbak-Sembilang National Park  
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30 182 3.4 Correlation between water quality parameters with mollusks abundance and diversity of  
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32 184 The results of the relationship between water quality parameters and mollusks abundance  
33 185 and diversity at the study location obtained Eigenvalues Cumulative 82.61%, five groups were  
34 186 formed, namely: four groups formed on the F1 and F2 axes, while the others were formed on the  
35 187 F3 axis. Besides that, the similarity between the observation stations was formed by two clusters  
36 188 coded MB1 and MB2 (**Fig. 5**).  
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38 189 Based on **Fig. 5a-5b**, the first group contributing from the positive F1 axis illustrated that  
39 190 stations 1 and 8 are characterized by higher temperatures, concentrations of nitrate and phosphate,  
40 191 which is thought to be influenced by a larger supply of land. The second group is formed on the  
41 192 negative F1 axis by showing that stations 3 and 5 are characterized by a higher abundance of  
42 193 mollusks, where they are located just around the mouth of the Sembilang river. The three groups  
43 194 are formed on the positive F2 axis which is illustrated that Station 6 with a stronger characteristic  
44 195 of current velocity and water brightness, is assumed that the location is directly facing the open  
45 196 sea. The fourth group is formed on the negative F2 axis where station 4 is characterized by higher  
46 197 oxygen, presumably, there is an influence of the mixing area between the water mass of the river  
47 198 and the sea. The fifth group is formed on the positive F3 axis, it is found that stations 2 and 7 are  
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4 199 characterized by more stable salinity and pH, this is thought to reduce the influence of the  
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8 202 **Fig. 5.** Correlation between water quality parameters with mollusks abundance and diversity, (a)  
9 203 F1 and F2 axes; (b) F3 axes; (c) Dendrogram dissimilarity  
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13 206 The results of the similarity analysis calculated by the Bray-Curtis dissimilarity index (**Fig.**  
14 207 **5c**) showed that the distribution of mollusks abundance and diversity was significantly similar,  
15 208 formed two clusters (MB1 and MB2). An average similarity value of 83.74%. MB1 clusters are  
16 209 formed at stations 1, 2, 6, 7, and 8 which are on the open coast. These clusters are characterized  
17 210 by higher temperature, salinity, pH, nutrient brightness, and water currents. This is thought to be  
18 211 due to the strong influence of the seawater mass area of the Melaka Strait and the South China  
19 212 Sea.  
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21 213 The MB2 cluster is formed by stations 3, 4, and 5, located at the mouth of the river mouth,  
22 214 characterized by dissolved oxygen and a higher abundance of mollusks compared to other  
23 215 locations. Continuous fluctuation in water quality parameters is thought to have an impact on the  
24 216 dominance of several species at each station. The two clusters illustrated that the abundance and  
25 217 diversity of mollusks on the protected coastline of BSNP were significantly affected by changes  
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The fluctuation of water quality parameters in all observation stations of the Berbak-Sembilang National Park (BSNP) was found to be slightly different, and this is a good condition for the growth of aquatic biota, especially mollusks. There are several parameters found to decrease in the estuary area, such as brightness and speed of currents, this is due to the impact of the stirring of the water mass from the land with the seawater mass formed in the mixing area. This was also reported by (Guerra-García et al., 2021; Lv et al., 2019; Pelletier et al., 2021; Rozirwan et al., 2022; Saputra et al., 2021).

There are 28 species of mollusks found on the protected coastline of the BSNP, grouped into two classes, namely Bivalve 79% with 7 species, and Gastropod 21% with 27 species. The individual composition of the Bivalve class is more dominant than that of Gastropod, although the number of species is lower. Bivalves have a high tolerance ability to changes in environmental parameters (Bramwell et al., 2021). This composition has also been reported on the west coast of India (Subramanian et al., 2021), in the estuary of the Gharehsou River (Jamani et al., 2021), in a mangrove plantation and two natural associations of Khanh Hoa, Vietnam (Zvonareva et al., 2020). In contrast to the reported that Polychaeta is more dominant in Yangtze River Estuary and the Batam Island, Indonesia (Ramses et al., 2020), Gastropod is found to be dominant in Estuary Musi (Rozirwan et al., 2021a), Gastropod is also dominant in grate lake district Pasuruan East Java (Susilo et al., 2021), Gastropods dominated of Mumbai, west coast of India (Kanthalrajan et al.,

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4 238 This indicates that the individual distribution of the two classes of mollusks is highly  
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7 240 The abundance of mollusks was found to be quite high, which increased significantly in the  
8 241 estuary area compared to the open coastal area. This is thought to be influenced by the discharge  
9 242 of water masses from the land carrying more suspended material and nutrients. Besides that, the  
10 243 meeting of water masses creates a mixing area which has an impact on increasing the fertility of  
11 244 the waters. This condition is very suitable for the growth and reproduction of the mollusk  
12 245 community as aquatic sessile biota. This total abundance was higher than that reported by  
13 246 (Abdollahi et al., 2020; Amorim et al., 2020; Guan et al., 2018; Hossain, 2019; Jayachandran et  
14 247 al., 2019; Joshua et al., 2018; Park and Huh, 2018; Rehitha et al., 2017; Suratissa and Rathnayake,  
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17 249 There are two species found to dominate in BSNP, namely: *Anadara granosa* 37.61% and  
18 250 *Nutricola* sp. 35.47%, classified in the Bivalve class (Opa et al., 2021; Saffian et al., 2020; Wells  
19 251 et al., 2021). Gastropod class abundance was shown by *Pterygia dactylus* 5.56% and *Volema*  
20 252 *pyrum* 2.14% species (Amarasinghe et al., 2021; Rekha et al., 2021; Susilo et al., 2021). The  
21 253 distribution of *A. granosa* and *Nutricola* sp. species were found to be more even than other species.  
22 254 This species is reported to have a stronger survival ability (Bramwell et al., 2021; Li et al., 2020;  
23 255 Marsden and Baharuddin, 2015). In contrast to what was reported by (Noh et al., 2019), identified  
24 256 bivalves of *Mactra veneriformis* and *Cyclina sinensis* were more resistant to the organic matter in  
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27 258 The relationship between water quality parameters on abundance and diversity of mollusks  
28 259 in the protected coastline in BSNP is characterized by higher temperature and nutrients in the river  
29 260 mouth area, while the brightness and flow velocity are lower. The discharge of inland water masses  
30 261 through rivers is affected, where it brings temperature, nutrients, and suspended materials to a  
31 262 higher level and there is a mixing of freshwater and seawater which makes the current slowdown.  
32 263 The number of individual mollusks in the estuary area is higher and more diverse than others. This  
33 264 was also reported by (Amorim et al., 2020), that the benthic community responded to oxygen  
34 265 concentrations, salinity, and particle size. The BSNP open coastal areas are characterized by higher  
35 266 temperature, nutrient, salinity, pH, current, and brightness parameters. It is assumed that the  
36 267 influence of seawater masses from the Malacca Strait and the South China Sea is more dominant,  
37 268 it has an impact on the decline in mollusks diversity. (Xingzhong et al., 2002) pointed out that  
38 269 macrofauna was sensitive to the changes in the pelagic environment. (Xingzhong et al., 2002)  
39 270 found that along the estuary gradient, benthic species number increased with the increase of  
40 271 salinity. The salinity gradient was the dominant factor determining the distribution pattern of  
41 272 mollusks in protecting the coastline of BSNP, and currents play a role in water mass distribution  
42 273 and diversity of mollusks with limited movement, especially on juvenile faces (Reis et al., 2021).  
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44 274 There are two clusters for mollusk habitat in BSNP, namely: the open coastal cluster and the  
45 275 estuary water cluster. The open coastal cluster found the diversity of mollusks slightly lower than  
46 276 the estuary cluster dominated by the Bivalve class. It is shown that the freshwater mass of the river  
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4 278 macrobenthic diversity may be primarily attributed to changes in stem density and salinity (Lv et  
5 279 al., 2019). As estuaries are complex diverse ecosystems, benthic communities are controlled by a  
6 280 combination of factors, such as salinity, pH, tidal fluctuation, dissolved oxygen, sediment  
7 281 composition, and organic matter, and no single factor could be considered as an ecological 'master'  
8 282 factor (Hossain and Hossain, 2021).

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11 284 **Conclusions**

12 285 There are 28 species of mollusks found on the protected coastline of Berbak-Sembilang  
13 286 National Park, classified into two classes, bivalves 79% with 7 species, and gastropods 49% with  
14 287 21 species. Water quality parameters were found under normal conditions and supported for  
15 288 mollusk growth. The abundance was found to be uneven, both in the estuary area and on the open  
16 289 sea coast. The diversity of species is categorized as low, this is supported by the species that  
17 290 dominate, namely; *Anadara granosa* 37.61% and *Nutricola* sp. 35.47%. Based on PCA, it shows  
18 291 that the observation stations in open coastal areas are characterized by higher nutrients, salinity,  
19 292 pH, currents, and temperatures, while the estuary areas are characterized by higher dissolved  
20 293 oxygen and mollusk abundance. Similarity analysis has formed that the two clusters of distribution  
21 294 of mollusk diversity in BSNP, namely open coastal areas and river estuaries, are both significantly  
22 295 different influenced by water quality fluctuations.

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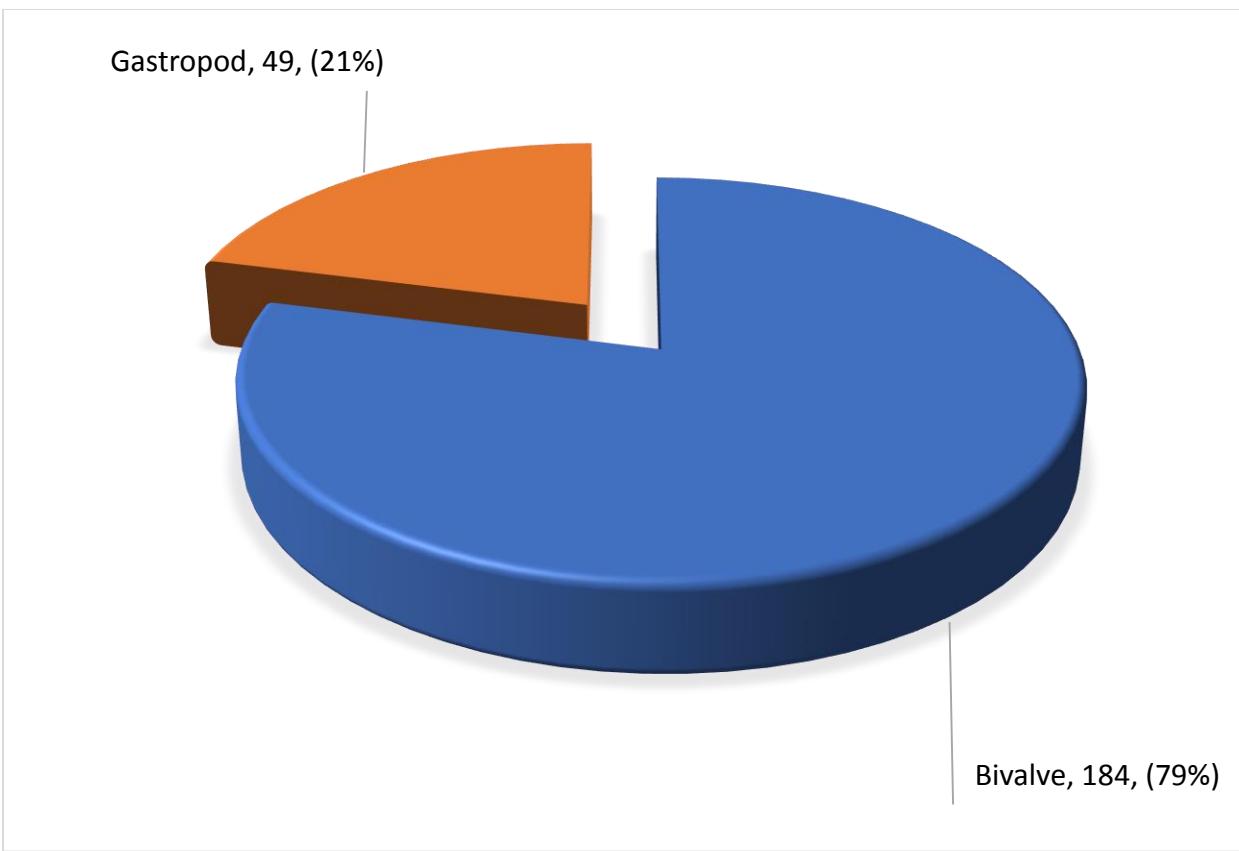
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Fig. 1. Map of sampling stations in Berbak-Sembilang National Park (BSNP)



**Fig. 2.** Mollusks community structure in Berbak-Sembilang National Park

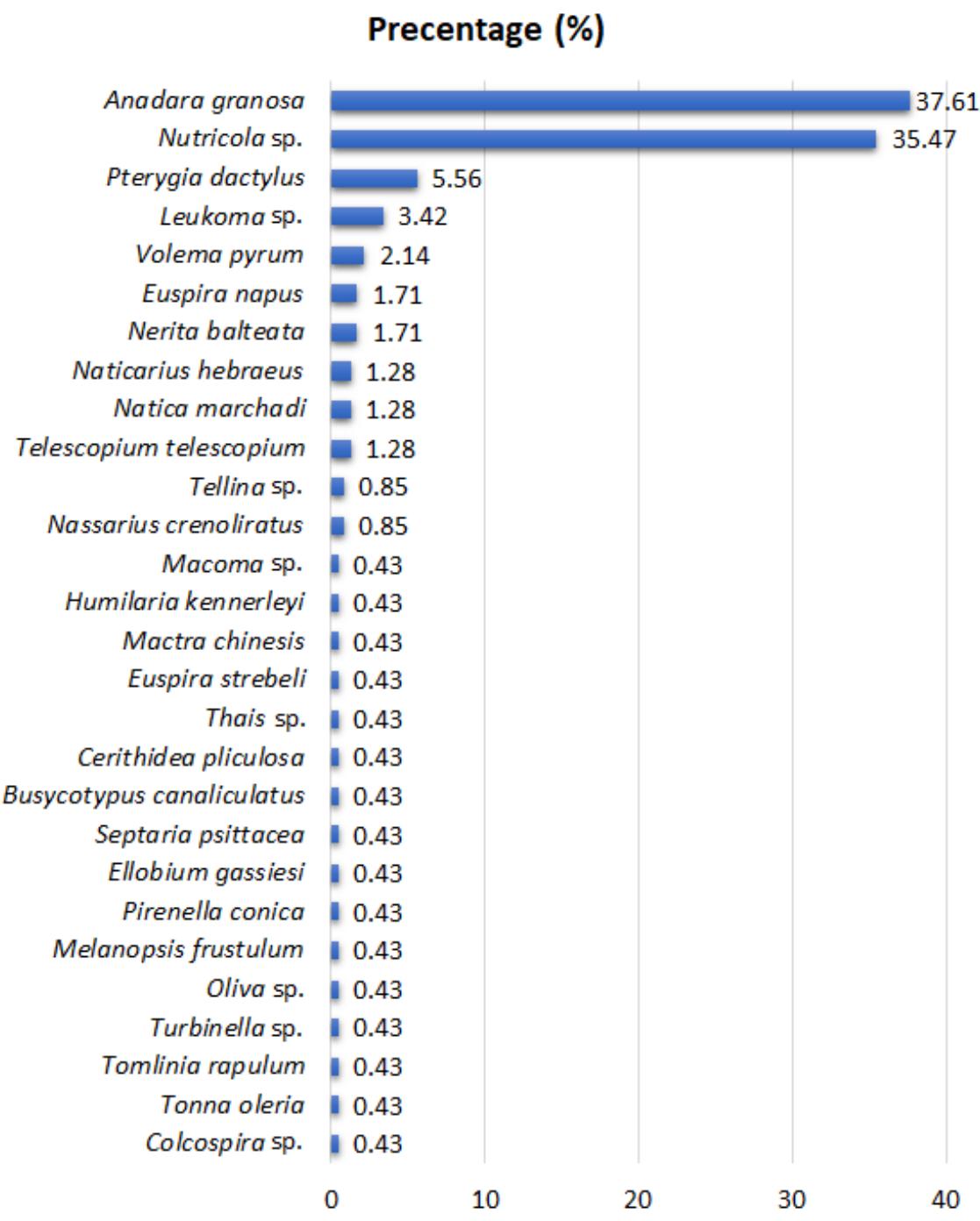


Fig. 3. Percentage of mollusk species of Berbak-Sembilang National Park

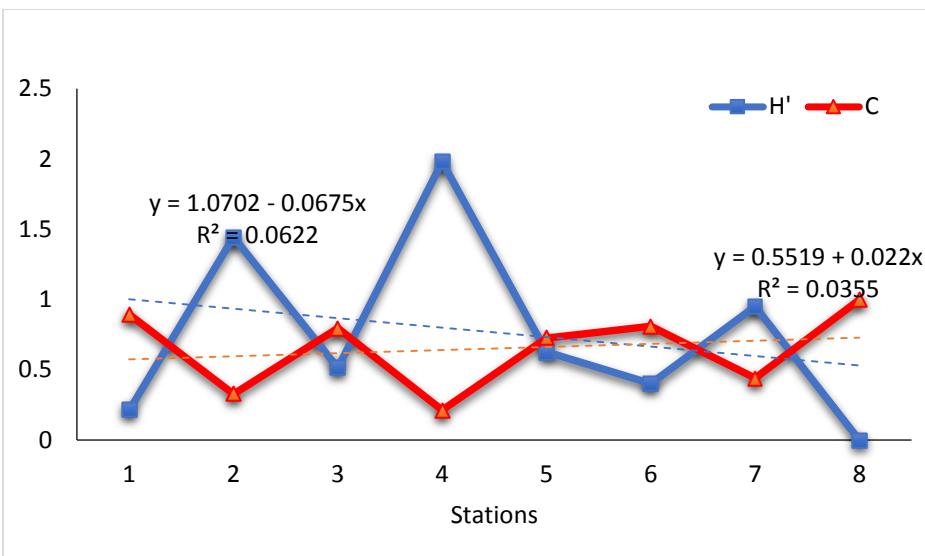
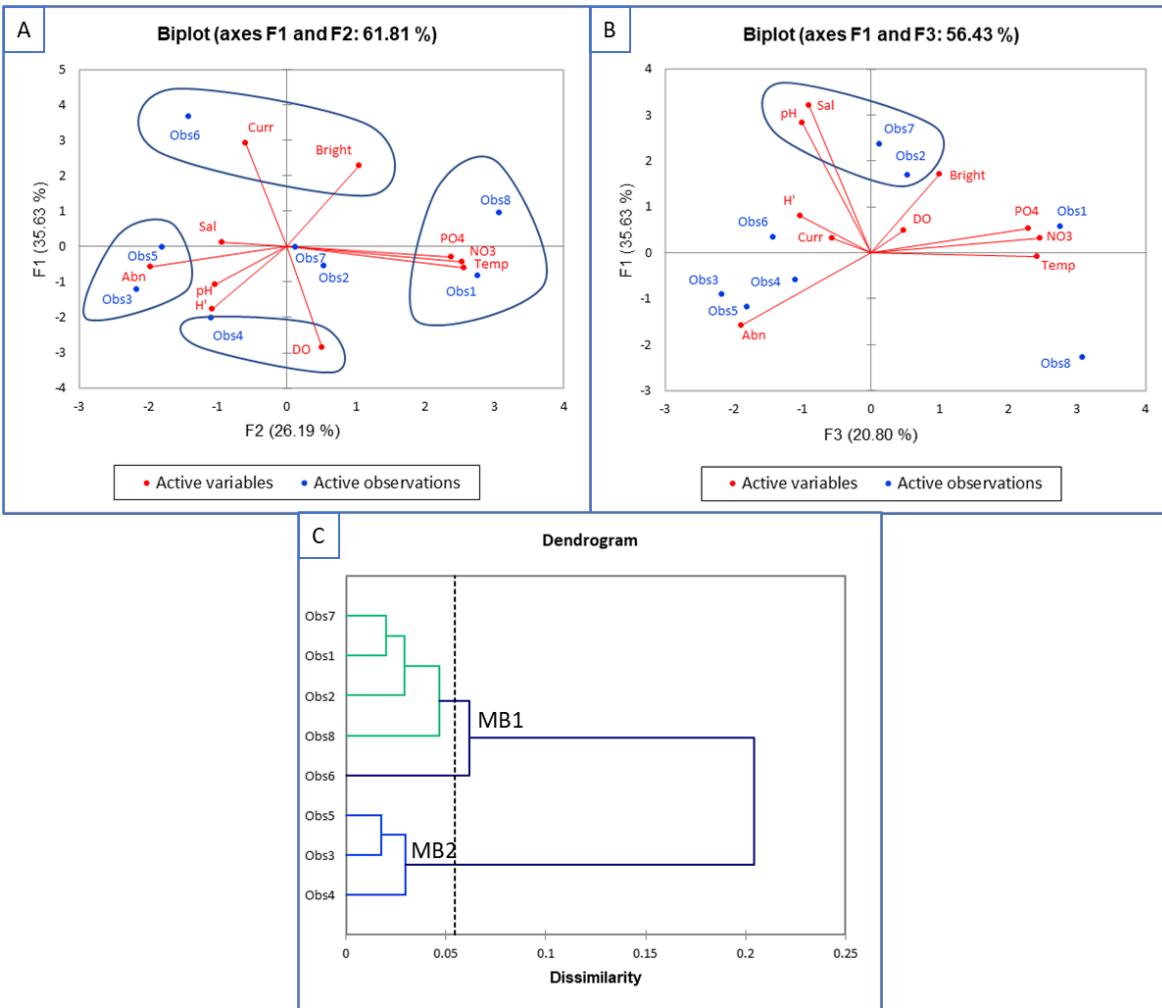


Fig. 4. Diversity index of mollusks of Berbak-Sembilang National Park



39 Fig. 5. Correlation between water quality parameters with mollusks abundance and diversity, (a)  
40 F1 and F2 axes; (b) F3 axes; (c) Dendrogram dissimilarity

**Table 1**

Water quality parameters of Berbak-Sembilang National Park

No	Water quality	Stations							
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	pH	7.41	7.46	7.51	7.46	7.01	7.17	8.20	6.08
2	Salinity (ppt)	30.00	32.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	31.00	32.00	28.00
3	DO (mg L <sup>-1</sup> )	8.63	8.37	8.50	8.03	7.48	6.30	7.60	7.30
4	Temperature (°C)	29.65	29.63	29.42	29.40	29.35	29.36	29.43	29.69
5	Brightness (%)	17.56	20.89	10.87	6.52	8.70	24.36	17.72	16.98
6	Current Speed (m s <sup>-1</sup> )	0.08	0.19	0.08	0.13	0.16	0.47	0.15	0.18
7	NO <sub>3</sub> (mg L <sup>-1</sup> )	6.67	6.20	5.45	6.24	5.53	5.66	6.23	6.69
8	PO <sub>4</sub> (mg L <sup>-1</sup> )	0.20	0.19	0.16	0.19	0.17	0.17	0.19	0.20

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5 **Table 2**  
6 Mollusks species of Berbak-Sembilang National Park

7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47	No	Class	Species	Stations							
				S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6	S7	S8
	1	Gastropod	<i>Colcospira</i> sp.	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
	2	Gastropod	<i>Nassarius crenoliratus</i>	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-
	3	Gastropod	<i>Tonna oleria</i>	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
	4	Gastropod	<i>Tomlinia rapulum</i>	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
	5	Gastropod	<i>Turbinella</i> sp.	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
	6	Gastropod	<i>Oliva</i> sp.	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
	7	Gastropod	<i>Melanopsis frustulum</i>	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-
	8	Gastropod	<i>Telescopium telescopium</i>	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-
	9	Gastropod	<i>Nerita balteata</i>	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-
	10	Gastropod	<i>Pirenella conica</i>	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-
	11	Gastropod	<i>Ellobium gassiesi</i>	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-
	12	Gastropod	<i>Euspira napus</i>	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-
	13	Gastropod	<i>Natica marchadi</i>	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-
	14	Gastropod	<i>Naticarius hebraeus</i>	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-
	15	Gastropod	<i>Septaria psittacea</i>	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-
	16	Gastropod	<i>Pterygia dactylus</i>	-	-	-	+++	-	-	-	-
	17	Gastropod	<i>Busycotypus canaliculatus</i>	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-
	18	Gastropod	<i>Cerithidea pliculosa</i>	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-
	19	Gastropod	<i>Thais</i> sp.	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-
	20	Gastropod	<i>Volema pyrum</i>	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-
	21	Gastropod	<i>Euspira strebeli</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
	22	Bivalve	<i>Anadara granosa</i>	+	+++	+++	+++	+	+	-	-
	23	Bivalve	<i>Leukoma</i> sp.	-	++	-	-	-	-	-	-
	24	Bivalve	<i>Mactra chinesis</i>	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-
	25	Bivalve	<i>Humilaria kennerleyi</i>	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-
	26	Bivalve	<i>Tellina</i> sp.	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-
	27	Bivalve	<i>Nutricola</i> sp.	-	-	-	-	+++	+++	-	+++
	28	Bivalve	<i>Macoma</i> sp.	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-

48 Noted: - is not found, +: <50 ind m<sup>-2</sup>, ++: 50-100 ind m<sup>-2</sup>, and +++: >100 ind m<sup>-2</sup>

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