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Interactions between Microcystis and Bacteria

Message from the Guest Editors

Microcystis is the most common harmful algal blooms species. Microcystis aggregates create environment with high pH and high dissolved oxygen concentration during day and low pH and low oxygen conditions at night. Microcystis blooms have been reported on every continent except Antarctica. There are more than 16 *Microcystis* genospecies.

Each Microcystis genospecies may require different bacterial partners to adapt to their environment. There should not only be energy cycling and matter cycling but also the genetic exchanges between *Microcystis* and their microbiome within the aggregates. Understanding interactions between Microcystis and associated bacteria will provide guidelines for management of harmful algal blooms taxon. Questions remain regarding the role of associated bacteria, co-evolution, and response to environmental changes. Studies related to associated bacteria diversity and function, *Microcystis* evolution, interactions between them and their response to environmental changes are welcome. Taxonomy, genome, or physiological studies of bacterial strains isolated from the aggregates are also welcome.

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