

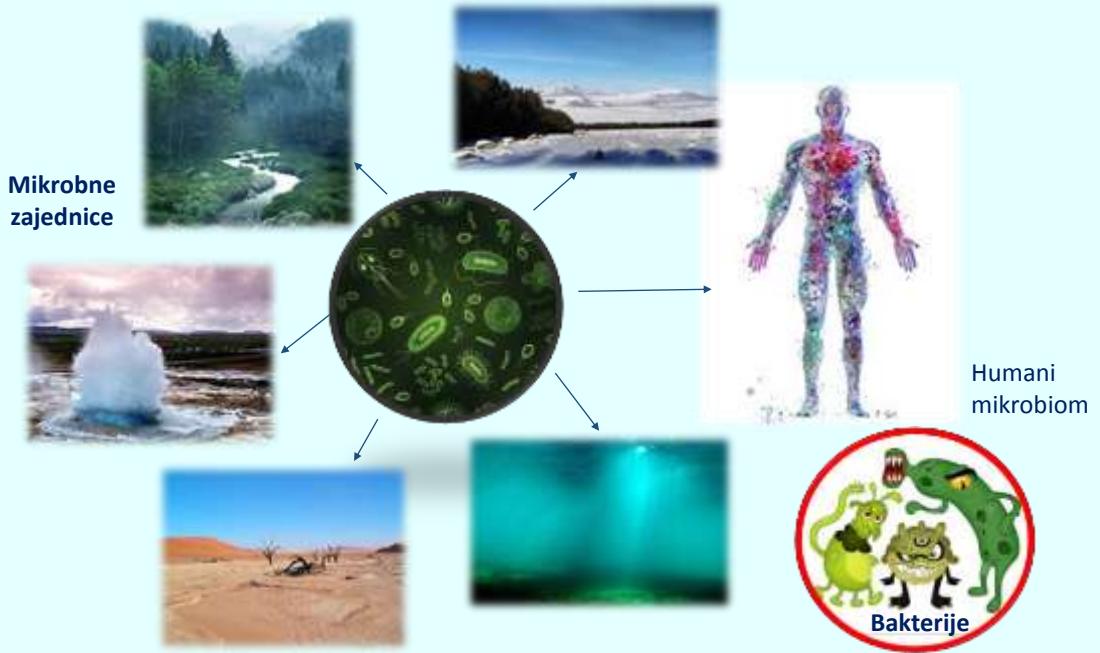


# I SITNO JE BITNO: *Prochlorococcus marinus* Najsitniji i najabundantniji OTOSINTETSKI organizam na Zemlji

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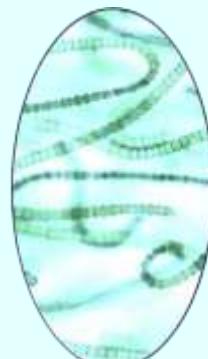
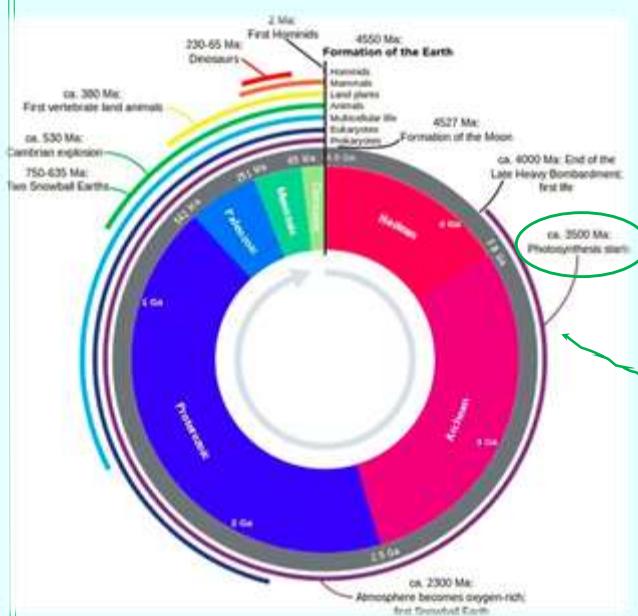
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Svugdje prisutni mikroorganizmi....



## Koljeno: Cijanobakterije (lat. *Cyanobacteria*)

[grčki *kyanós* = plavi]



**Modrozelene alge**

**Fotosinteza!**

Pretkambrij (proteozoik) =  
3.5 miljardi godina

## Cijanobakterije (lat. *Cyanobacteria*)



✓ Jednostanični, kolonijalni ili višestanični oblici

✓ Sluzavi želatinozni omotač na površini  
→ štiti ih od isušivanja

✓ Vlažna staništa:

- Na i u tlu, površina stijena
- **Vodene: slatkovodne i morske**

2000 vrsta svrstanih u 150 rodova



## *Prochlorococcus marinus*

20% kisika u Zemljinoj atmosferi

Cvijetanje cijanobakterija blizu Fi...  
(južni Tihi ocean)



## Plankton

1970-tih...

VIRUSES —  
BACTERIA —  
PHYTOPLANKTON & SMALL ZOOPLANKTON —

VISIBLE  
TO THE  
UNAIDED  
EYE

0.1 micrometer | 1 micrometer | 10 micrometers | 100 micrometers | 1 millimeter | 1 centimeter | 10 centimeters | 1 meter

Plankton size and associated group names



Elektronski mikroskop

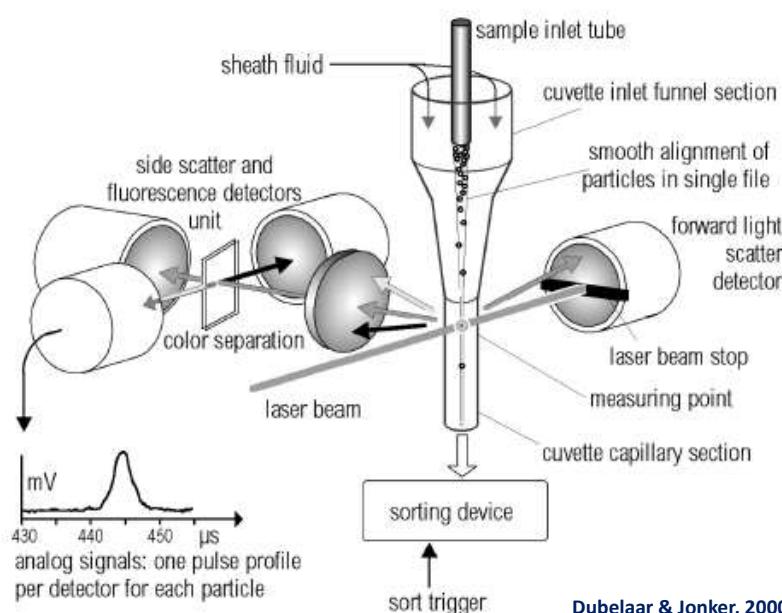
## Istraživanja ocenaskog pikoplanktona

70-tih 80-tih godina 20. stoljeća  
Sjeverni Atlantik



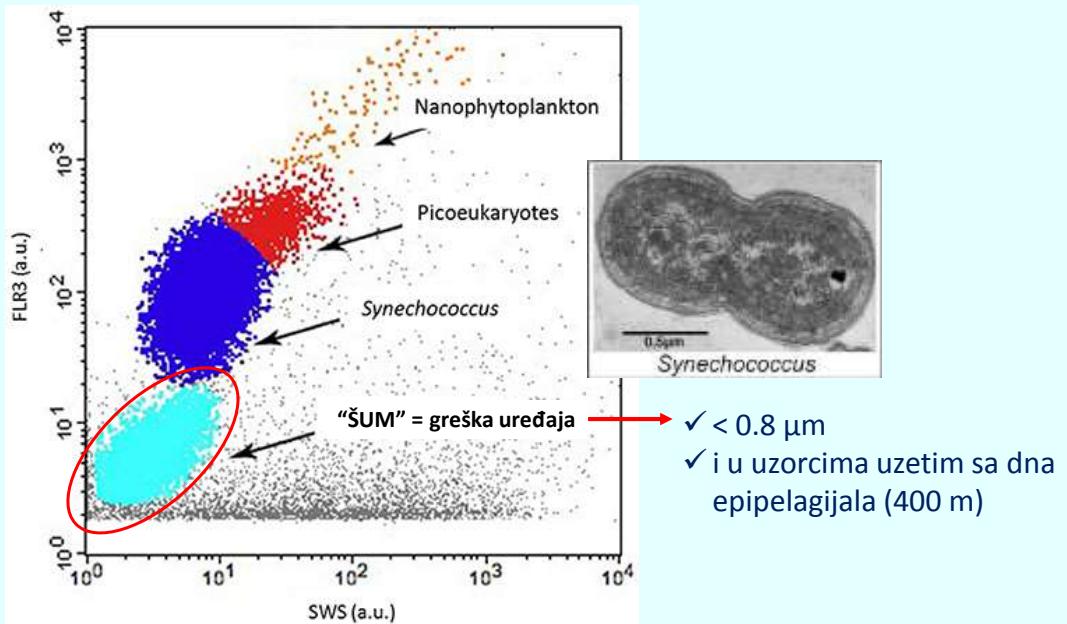
uzorci → obrađuju se u laboratoriju!

## Krajem 1970-tih → Protočni citometar



1 – 5 min po uzorku  
1000 stanica / sekundi

## Protočni citometar → Analiza pikoplanktona

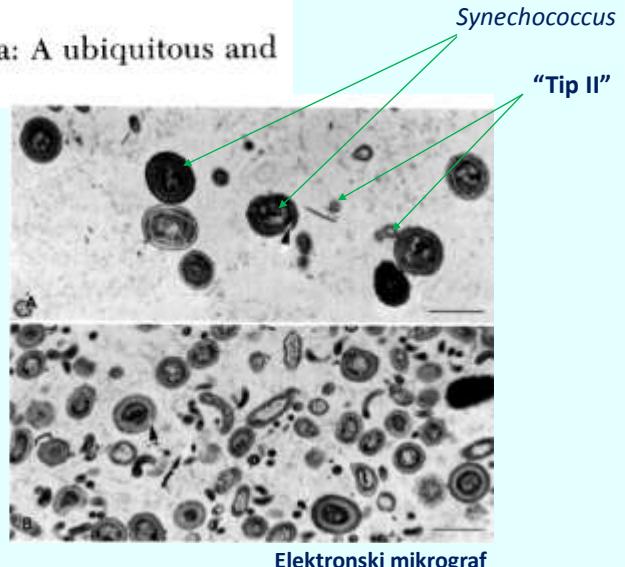


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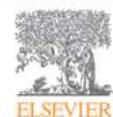
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Chroococcoid cyanobacteria in the sea: A ubiquitous and diverse phototrophic biomass<sup>1</sup>

- ✓ „Tip II“ stanice → slične cijanobakteriji *Synechococcus*
- ✓ Stanice nemaju pigment fikoeritrin
- ✓ Nije ih moguće uzgojiti u kulturi



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 Robert J. Olson (Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution)



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 Research Papers

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Marine phytoplankton distributions measured using shipboard flow cytometry

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letters to nature

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A novel free-living prochlorophyte abundant in the oceanic euphotic zone

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Short communications

***Prochlorococcus marinus* nov. gen. nov. sp.** an oxyphototrophic marine prokaryote containing divinyl chlorophyll *a* and *b*

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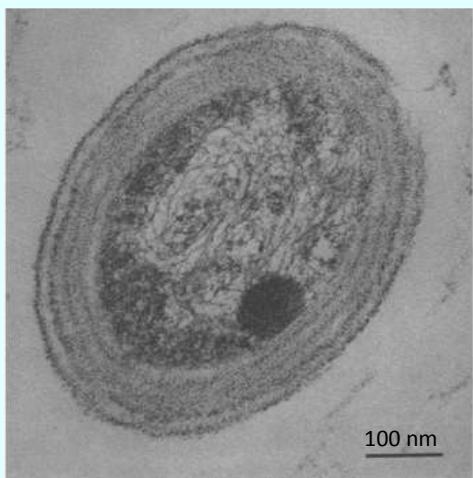
*"It is difficult to describe the thrill of studying Prochlorococcus. The name alone is enough to stop a conversation. Far from being tedious, studying this extraordinary little cell is like opening a present every day. It is a gift, and a responsibility."*

Unveiling Prochlorococcus



National Medal of Science  
Alexander Agassiz Medal (2010)

## Klasifikacija vrste



Elektronski mikrograf

<b>Carstvo:</b>	Bacteria
<b>Koljeno:</b>	Cyanobacteria
<b>Red:</b>	Synechococcales
<b>Porodica:</b>	Synechococcaceae
<b>Rod:</b>	<i>Prochlorococcus</i>
<b>Vrsta:</b>	<i>Prochlorococcus marinus</i> Chisholm et al., 1992

višejezično  
značenje *coccus*  
= bobica

grčki *chloros* =  
zelen

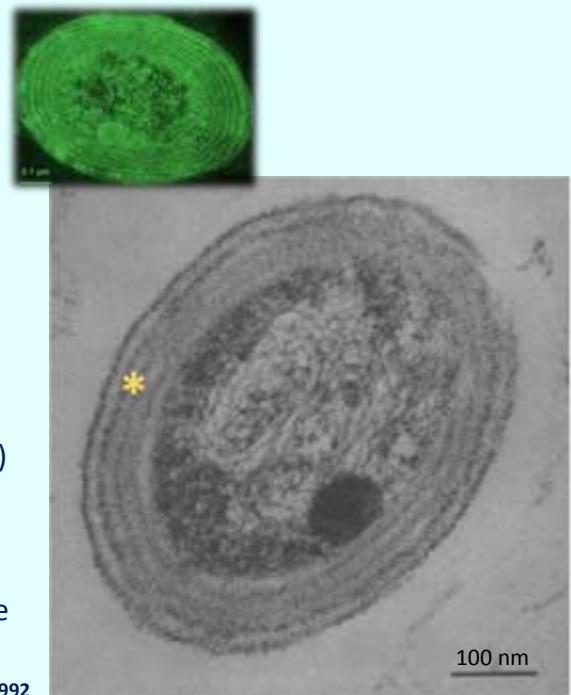
grčki *Pro* =  
ishodišni, prvi



"Little greens"  
Chisholm et al., 1992

## Opis vrste *Prochlorococcus marinus*

- ✓ Veličina stanice: **0,5 do 0,7 µm**
  - ovisi o uvjetima u okolišu (npr. sumrak ili izlazak sunca na ekvatoru, dubina, itd.)
- ✓ Oblik stanice: **izdužen**
- ✓ Volumen stanice: **0,1 µm<sup>3</sup>**
- ✓ Citoplazma stanice: 1 kružna DNA (**nukleoid**) i **karboksisomi**
- ✓ **Tilakoidni sustav:** 2 ili 4 tilakoide, prilježu uz staničnu membranu (\*), paralelno smještene



## Kultivirani sojevi

*Prochlorococcus sp. SS120*

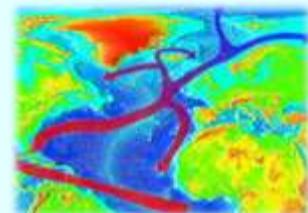
120 m



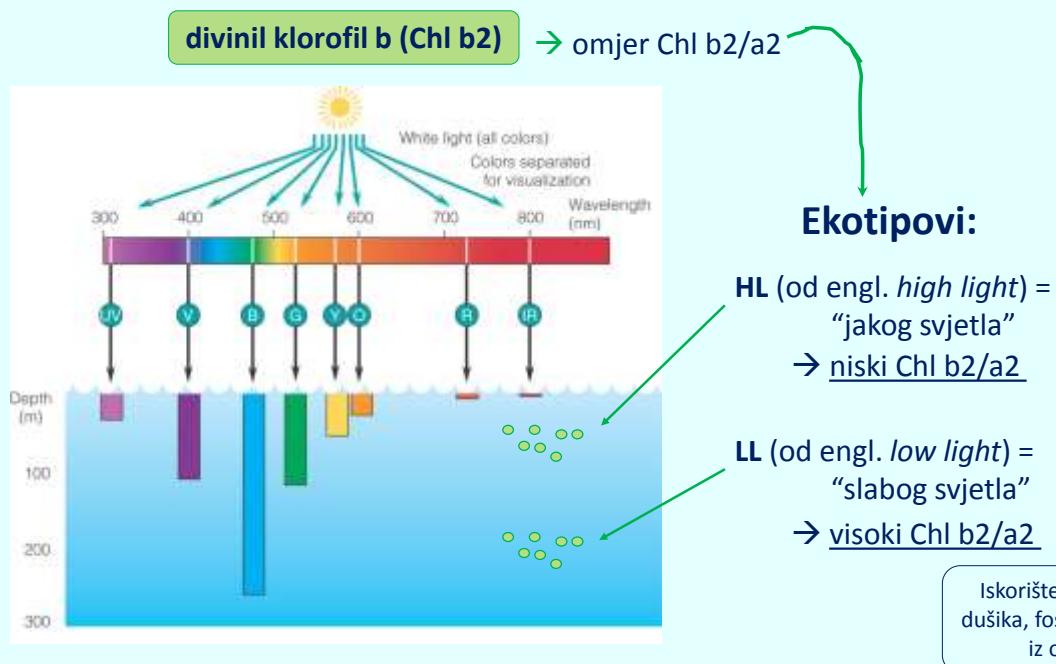
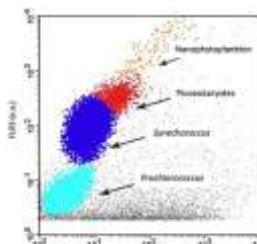
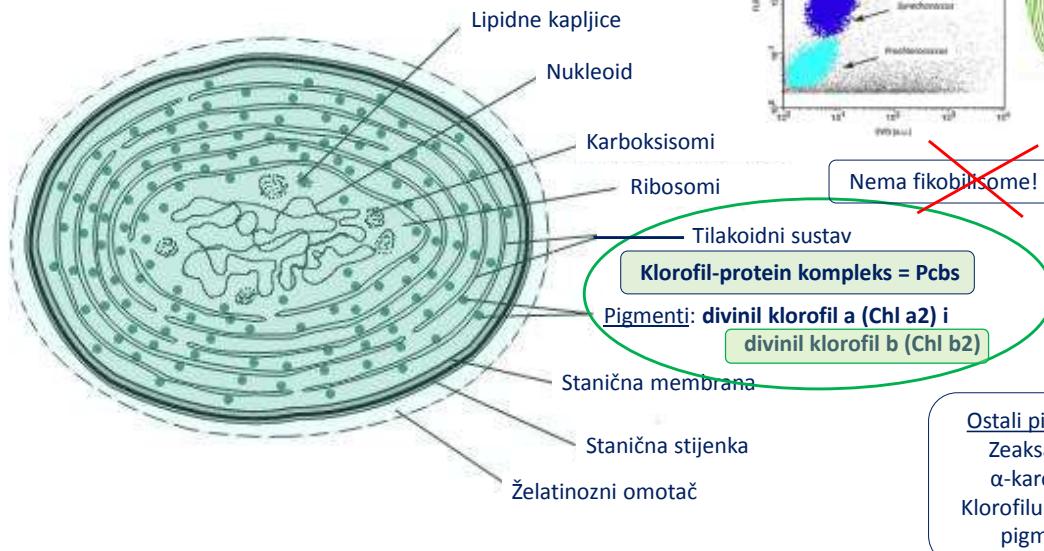
*Prochlorococcus sp. MED*  
površinski sloj



*Prochlorococcus sp. MIT 9313*  
Golfska struja, dubina 135 m



## Pigmenti



## Genom

- ✓ Prosječna veličina: **1,9 - 2,0 Mbp**
- ✓ najmanji u usporedbi sa genomima drugih prokariota koji stvaraju kisik
- ✓ 16S-23S rDNA ITS regije (engl. *internal transcribed spacer*) → 12 *Prochlorococcus* sojeva koji imaju različite genotipove

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First ocean bacteria sequenced

Obligate genomes hint at minimal DNA for photosynthesis.

John Whitfield

Researchers have sequenced the first genomes of bacteria that live in the sea. The DNA readouts hint at the essential apparatus for photosynthesis and provide new insights into Earth's carbon cycle.

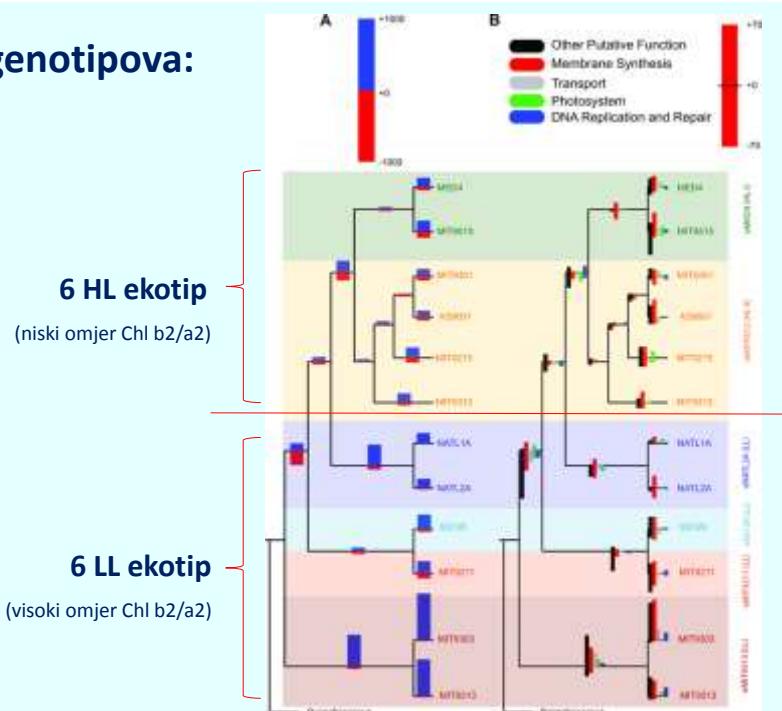
"We can consider these very close to minimal genomes," says molecular biologist Donald Bryant of Pennsylvania State University. What many of the genes in these tamed soufflés do is still unknown.

The sequenced microbes belong to a group called cyanobacteria. They are the two most common marine bacteria and account for roughly half of the photosynthesis in the oceans, about

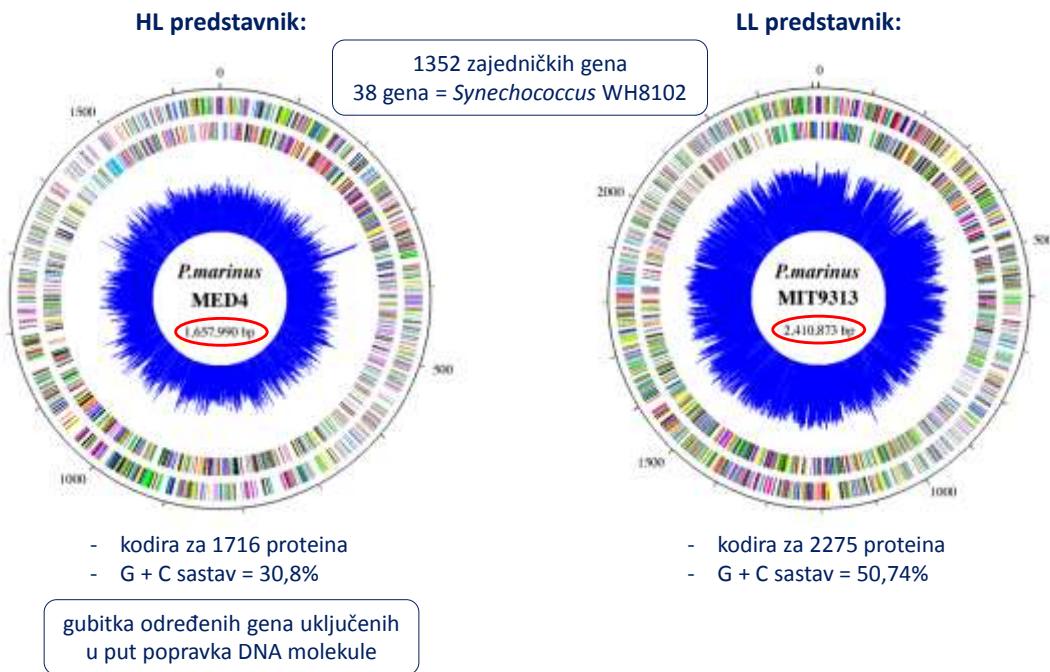
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**Prochlorococcus marinus SS120**  
Genome Project Home Page

## 12 genotipova:



Ketler et al., PLoS genetics, 2007.



## Ekologija

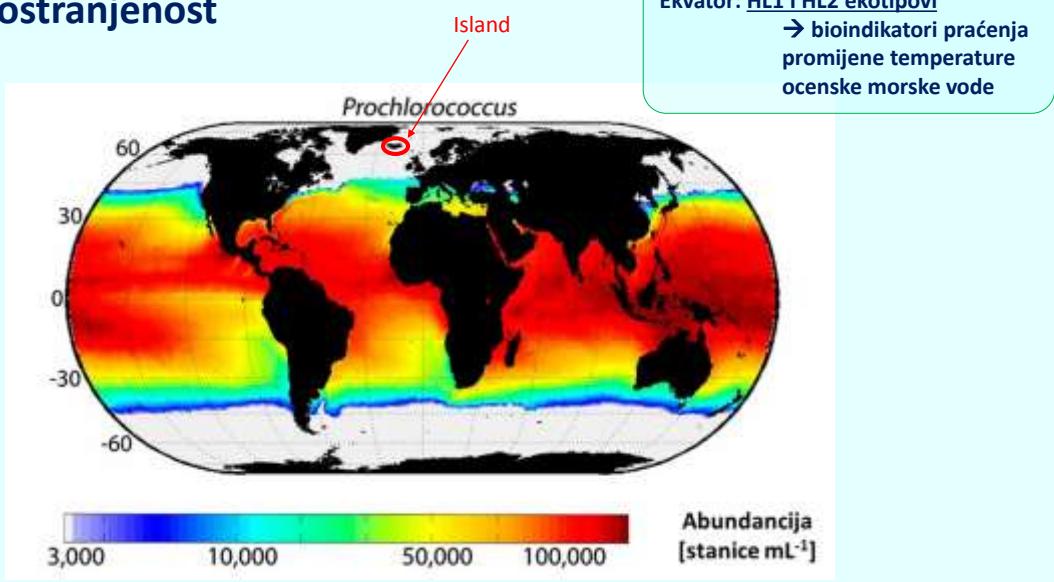


- ✓ Eufotična i difotična zona: **200 – 400 m**
- ✓ Koloniziraju ekstremno **oligotrofna područja** → **velika površina VS. mali volume stanice ( $V = 0.1 \mu\text{m}^3$ )**
- ✓ Stanična dioba: **1x dnevno** → najbrojniji za vrijeme ljeta i jeseni
- ✓ Temperaturni raspon: **10 – 33°C**
- ✓ **LL ekotipovi** = dublji slojevi
- ✓ **HL1 i LL1** = mogu preživjeti u miješanim, hladnijim vodenim masama

**1 mL morske vode → više od 100000 stanica**

**prosječna godišnja brojnost = 2,8 - 3 oktiljuna ( $\sim 10^{27}$ )**

## Rasprostranjenost



Flombaum et al., 2013.

## *Prochlorococcus* u Jadranskom moru

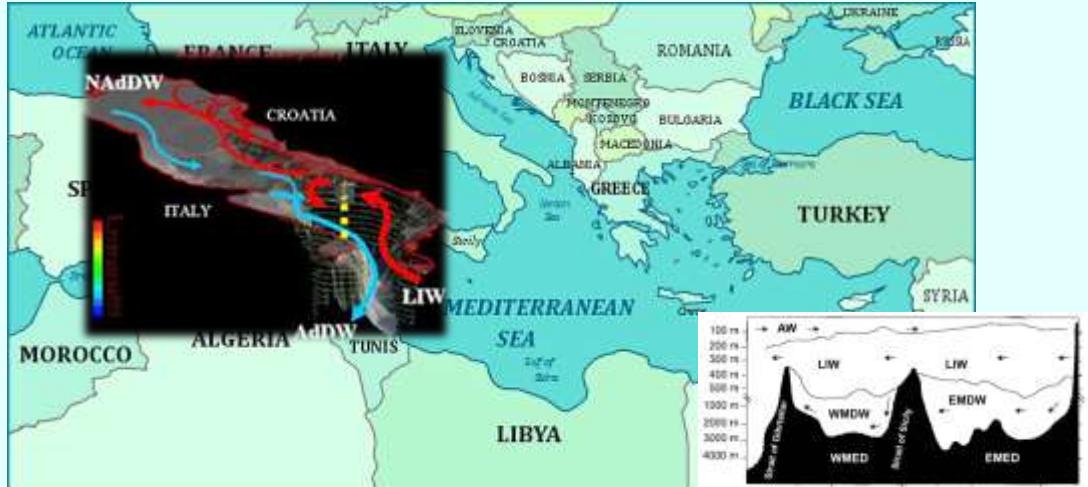
- ✓ 2009. godine = detektiran metodom protočne citometrije (Radić et al., 2009)
- ✓ 2011. godine = HPLC metodom detektiran pigment divinil klorofil a (Chl a) (Šilović et al., 2011)
- ✓ 0 do  $10^4$  stanica po mL morske vode uz obalu
- ✓  $10^3$  do  $10^4$  stanica po mL morske vode u dubljim dijelovima





*Prochlorococcus* → detekcija ulaska LIW i njeno stujanje u Jadranskom moru

Levantinska intermedijarna struja (LIW, engl. Levanitine Intermediate Water)



topla ( $>14^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) i slana ( $>38.75\text{‰}$ ) morska masa na dubini od 40 do 600 metara



### *Prochlorococcus marinus*

- ✓ Mikrobeni pikoplanktonski organizam otkriven tek prije 25 godina
- ✓ U oceanima u triljunsim količinama → “*Prochlorococcus federation*”
- ✓ Zaslužan za produkciju 20 % kisika na Zemlji i → “pluća” oceana
- ✓ Zaslužan za 50 % primarne produkcije u biosferi (fiksacija CO<sub>2</sub>)
- ✓ DOMINANTAN i NAJSITNIJI fotosintetski organizmi na Zemlji

Cijanobakterija – superheroj!



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