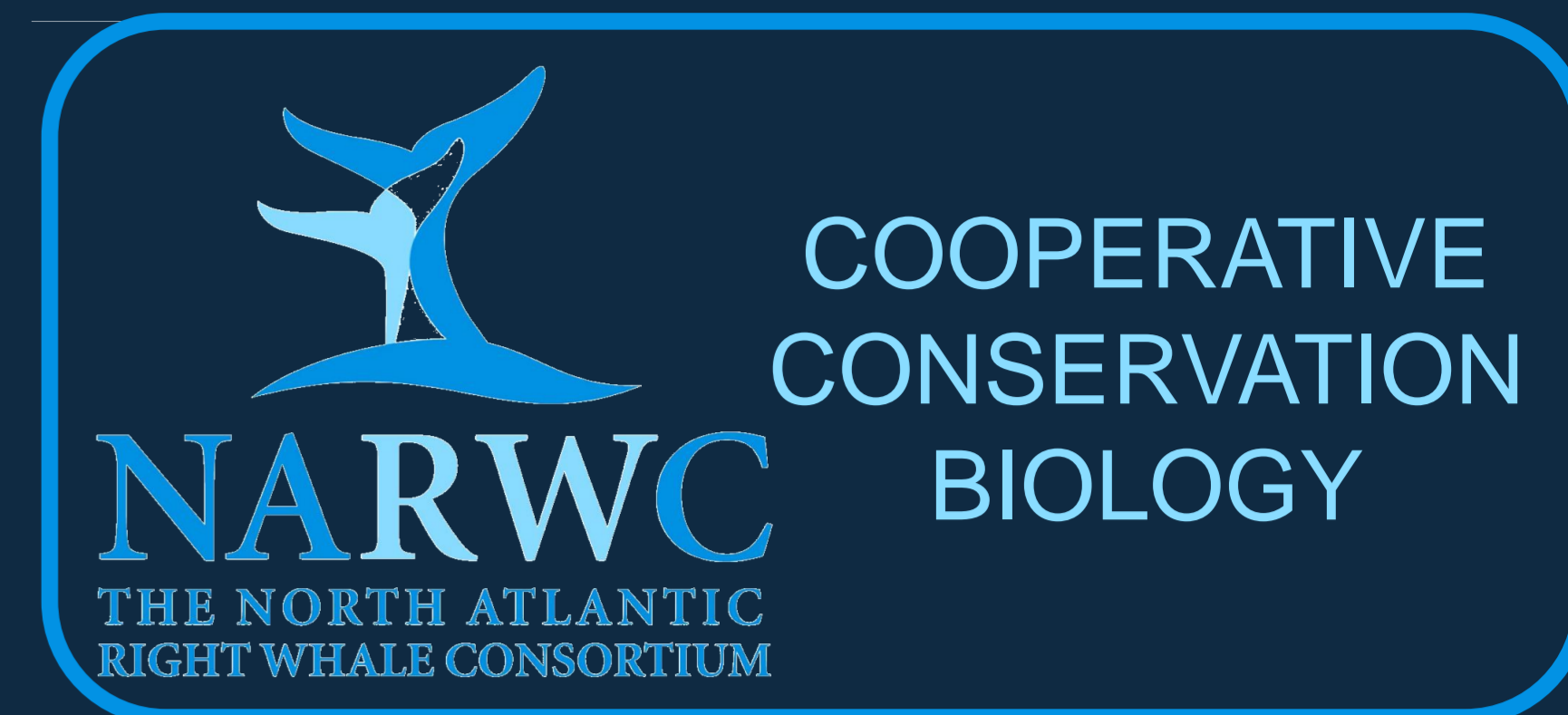


NORTH ATLANTIC RIGHT WHALE CONSORTIUM: A MODEL FOR ADVANCING SCIENCE AND CONSERVATION OF MARINE MAMMALS



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HISTORY

- ESTABLISHED 1986
- 5 research groups independently studying endangered North Atlantic right whales (*Eubalaena glacialis*)



- RECOGNIZED VALUE IN SHARED DATA & COLLABORATIONS
- EXPANDED 1997
- >200 Organizations and individuals

ORGANIZATION

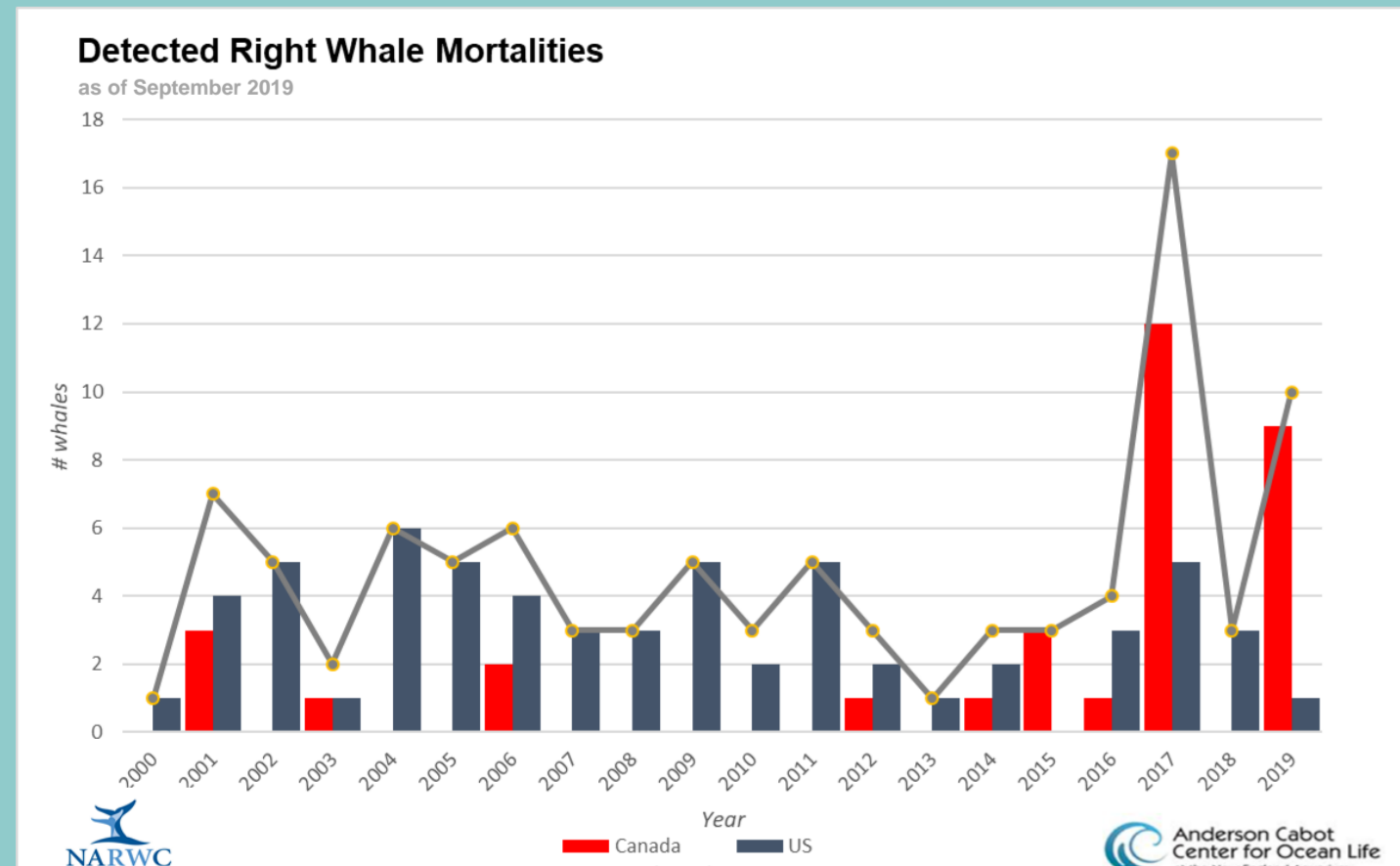
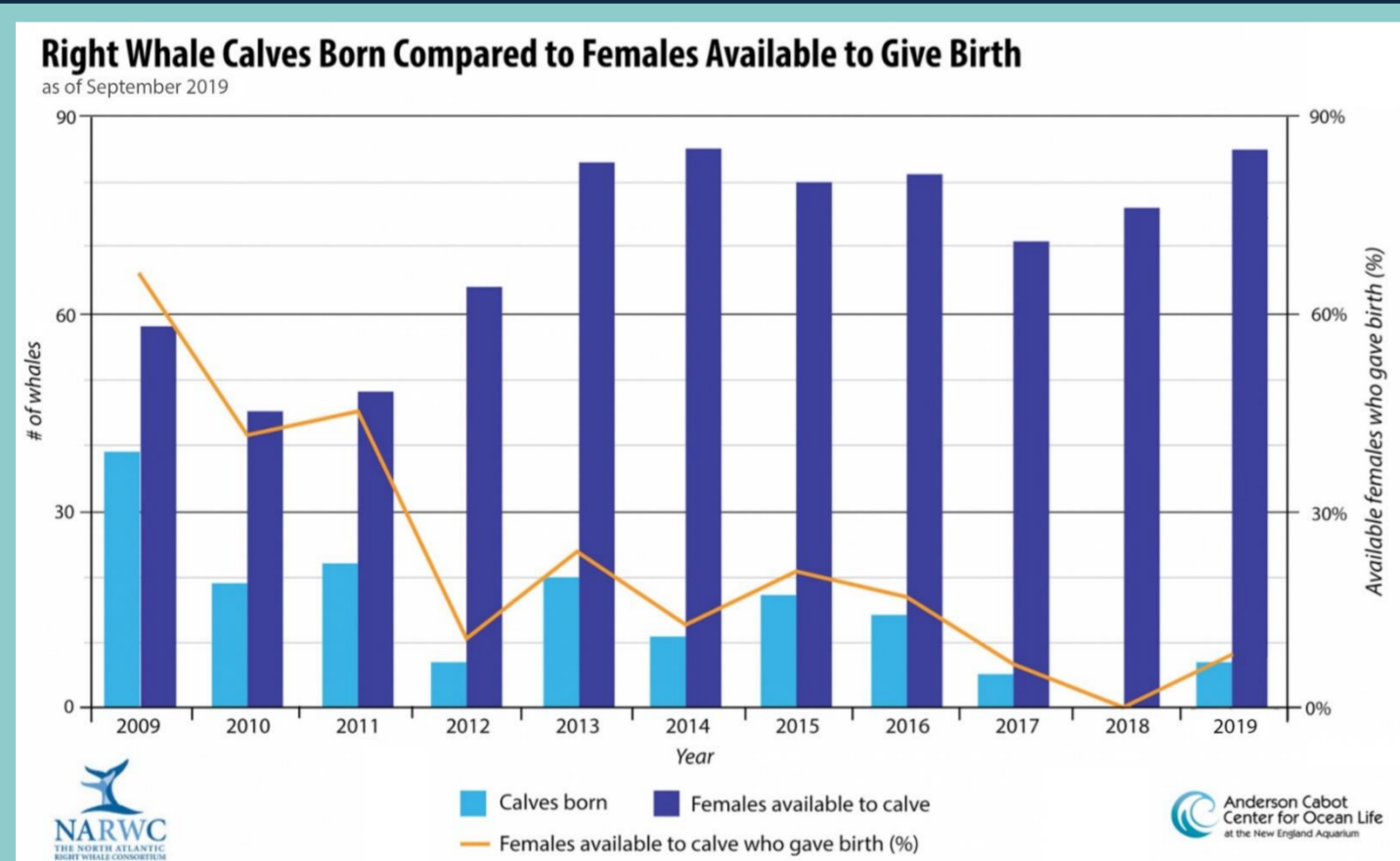
- OPEN MEMBERSHIP
 - International (1° U.S./Canada)
 - Research, management, industry, conservation, education
- VOLUNTEER EXECUTIVE BOARD
 - By membership vote
- MULTIPLE DATABASES (10)
 - Institutional curators
 - ~700 contributors
 - Well-defined access protocols

OBJECTIVES

- TO FOSTER COLLABORATION AND DATA SHARING AMONG RESEARCHERS
 - Voluntary submission
 - Standardized QA/QC
 - Open access for management
 - Board review for publications
- ANNUAL STAKEHOLDER MEETING
 - 300+ attendees, information sharing, and research collaborations
- ANNUAL SPECIES "REPORT CARD"
 - Inform research, management, and policy

COLLABORATIVE DATA SHARING ADVANCES THE SCIENCE AND CONSERVATION OF ENDANGERED SPECIES

Identify Trends in Reproduction and Mortality Across Entire Range



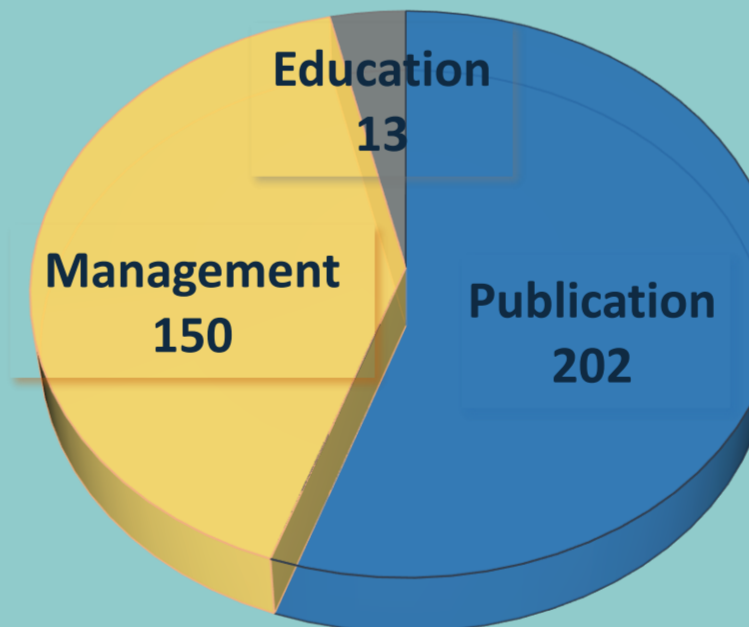
Facilitate Data Access to Inform Research and Management

Sightings Database

Identification Database

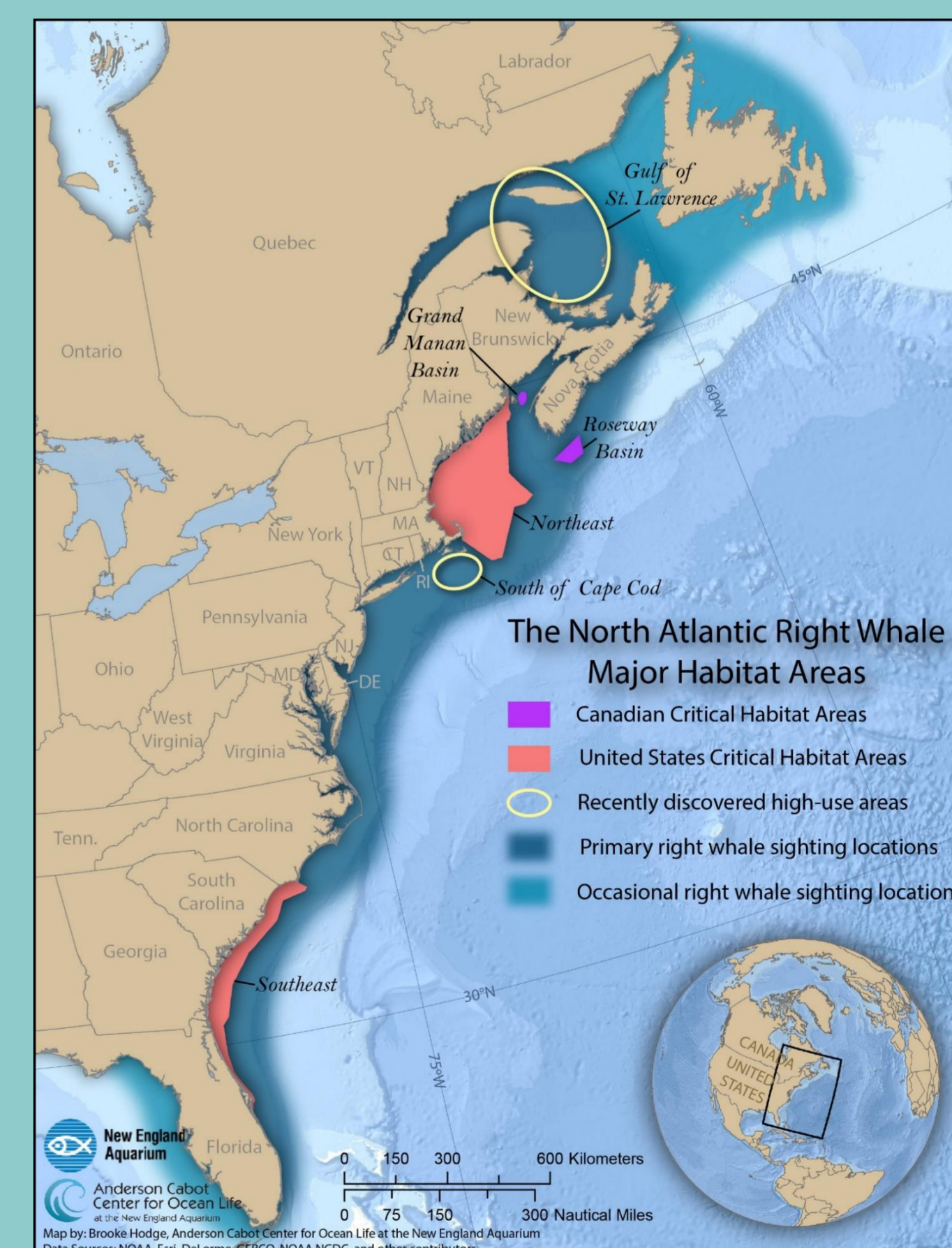
- Acoustics
- Anthropogenic Scarring
- Blubber Biopsy Measurements
- Contaminants
- Genetics
- Mortality
- Visual Health Assessments

2005-2019 NARWC DATA ACCESS

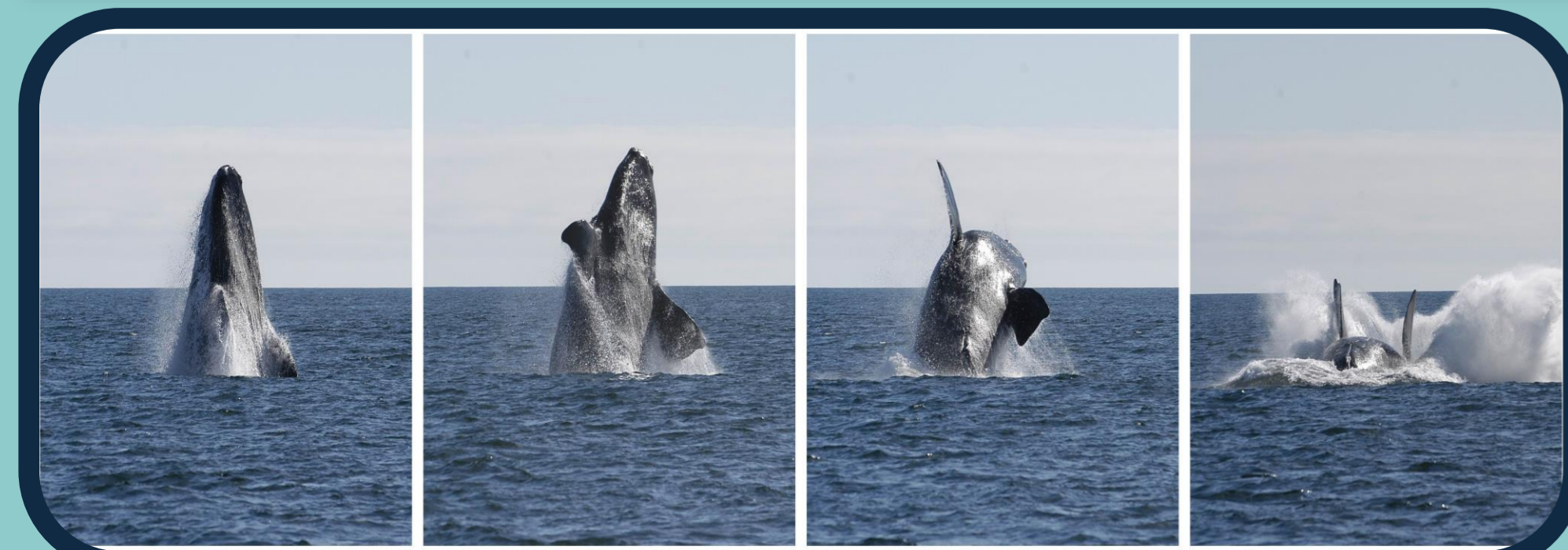
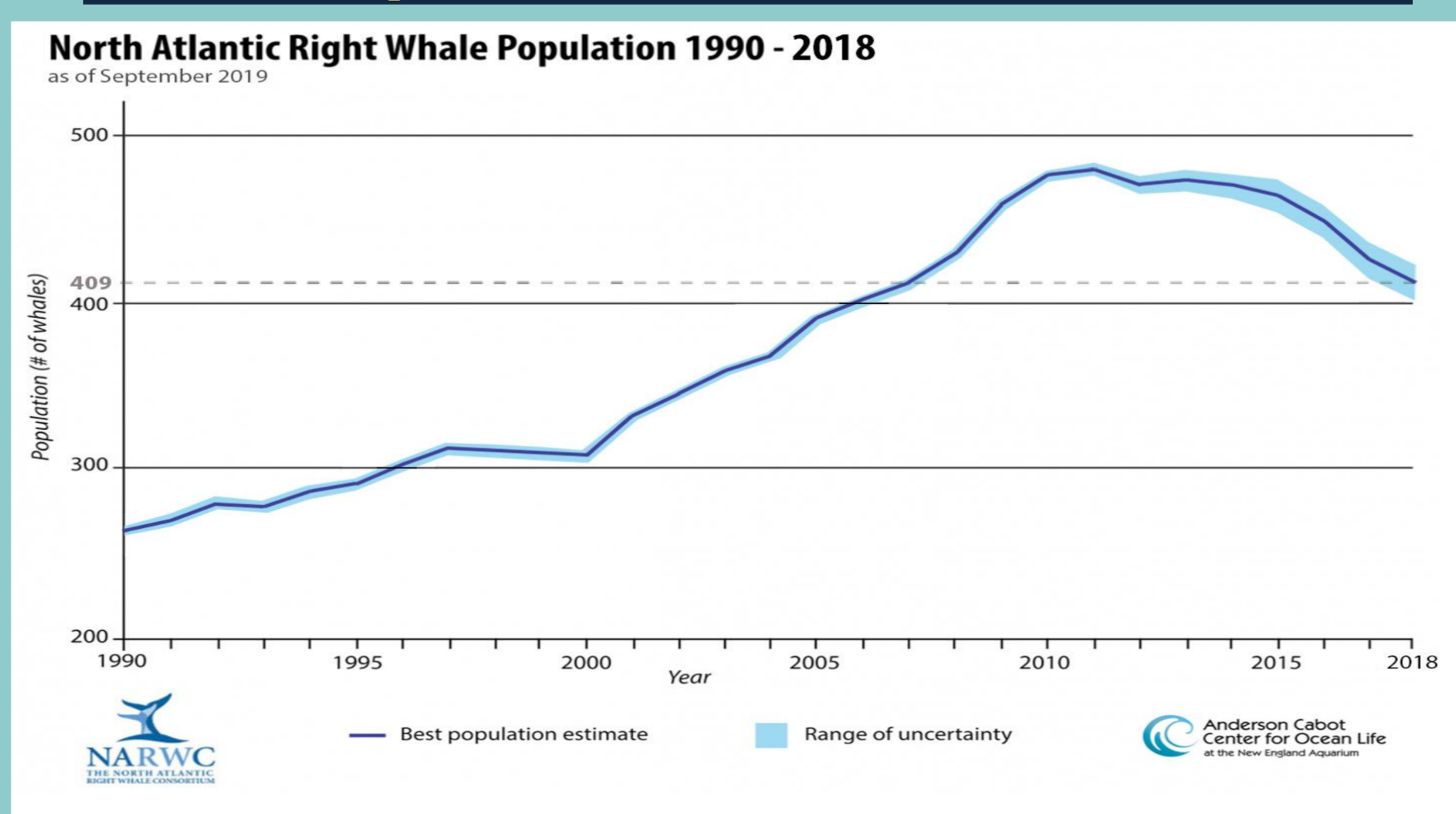


- 365 requests
- >200 Publications

Identify Changes in Distribution



Provide Robust Annual Species Assessment



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Data Protocols
Annual Meeting Logistics
Species Information

