Adopt-a-Float Newsletter

Welcome to the Adopt-a-Float program! We are looking forward to having you join us as we watch the floats on their journey through the ocean.

Date: November 25, 2025

Number of Floats Deployed: 331 GO-BGC floats deployed (314 operating); 314 SOCCOM floats deployed (143 operating).

Float of the Month!

GO-BGC is now in its sixth year and in what the federal government has termed a No-Cost-Extension. We have quite a few floats left to launch and get adopted! There will be a blog from the RV *Sikuliaq* so keep an eye on our website to see when the six adopted floats are launched. There are nine adopted floats going out on the *Agulhas I*I on Dec 15th; six adopted floats going out on the MV *Vasiliy Golovnin* on Dec. 21[st;] and seven more going out on the Sir *David Attenborough* on January 11th. As always, I will send you an email when your float is launched and when the first profile is returned.

And in an amazing feat, we have just heard from Apex Float 5905383. This float was launched in the Weddell Polyna almost eight years ago (Jan 27, 2018) and just surfaced from under the ice and is sending back data. It's been out for 7.9 years and has 287 cycles. This float only has an oxygen sensor (along with salinity and depth) and the data can be found on the Argo site.

The next EARTH Workshop is open to all educators and will take place in **Monterey, California, July 26–31, 2026** and application information will be posted next month (www.mbari.org/EARTH).

And the 2026 Adopt-A-Float sticker competition (https://www.go-bgc.org/outreach/2026-sticker-contest) is now open and accepting applications!! The Guidelines will be similar to last year and can be found here.

Check out the Flickr page for photos of your floats if they have been adopted/launched.

Just a reminder that it might take up to two months for your float data to show up on the Adopt-A-Float viz site as the data are checked for quality control at that point and then posted. You can view data that has not yet been checked at the regular Float-Viz site.
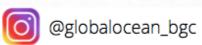
Find your float information here: https://www3.mbari.org/gobgc/tables/GOBGC_Adopt-a-Float.html or https://www3.mbari.org/soccom/tables/SOCCOM_Adopt-a-Float.html

Find resources here: https://www.go-bgc.org/outreach/for-educators

Follow our Flickr page: https://www.flickr.com/photos/go-bgc/ for recent GO-BGC and SOCCOM floats or https://www.flickr.com/photos/139764369@N07/ for older SOCCOM floats

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