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: July 18, 2026

Number of Floats Deployed: 444 GO-BGC floats deployed (412 operating and 25 to be deployed); 328 SOCCOM floats deployed (156 operating and 2 floats to be deployed).

Float of the Month



Scoopy – named in honor of the AGU Pelican mascot but the adopters at the College of Coastal Georgia who attended the AGU meeting thought it should be named ***Scoopy*** rather than **Peli**. ***Scoopy*** was launched from the RV *Discovery* and there is a ship blog from this expedition at https://www.go-bgc.org/expedition-logs/east-atlantic-2026. Five floats were launched from the RV Discovery and eight floats from the RV Langseth and there is also a blot for that expedition at https://www.go-bgc.org/expedition-logs/tropical-pacific-2026.
Funding is currently scheduled to end this year but we will keep posting data and I'll keep sending out newsletters. So far, we have launched 111 floats this year for a total of 444 GO-BGC floats. The current timeline is to complete 500 GO-BGC deployments by the end of October. There will still be some SOCCOM deployments (~12 floats) in the next austral summer. This means we do still have quite a few floats to launch (and get adopted) in the next 4 months, so if you wanted another float, this is your reminder to submit a name as soon as you can.
I would also like to recommend this book *Argo Adventures: Willow & Wren's Search for the Missing Fish!* (https://www.amazon.com/dp/B0DWXBGF9F) if you have students wondering how float data could be used. Created by middle school students and illustrated with AI, it's a fun, easy read.

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
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