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What we know—and what we don't know —about the ecology of oceans

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6. The blue sea represents what we don't know we don't know.

We lack much information on the ecological mechanisms driving population dynamics, structuring communities, and affecting biodiversity in several key ecosystems. (Hetal)

We lack maps of the distribution of and threats to biodiversity (ecosystems, species, genes). (Hetal)

- Imprecisely known hazards) and risks
- Unknowns about specific organisms
- Unknowns about inter-relationships among
- Unknowns about multiple releases of organisms

	What we <i>don't</i> know we don't know

Nature of Marine Biodiversity Threats to Marine Biodiversity

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