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# Morphodynamic Modeling with Mohid Water

## Challenges and Solutions

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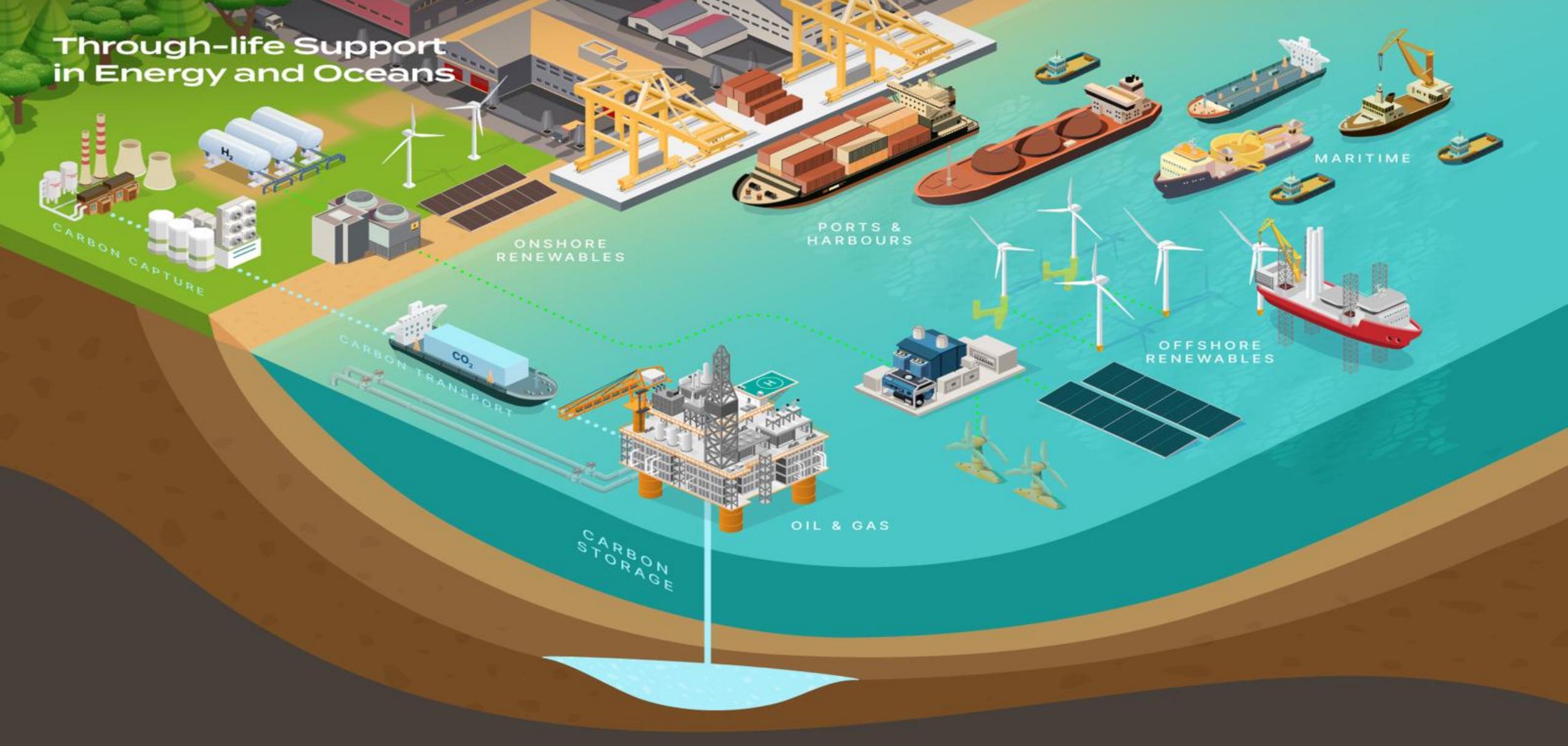


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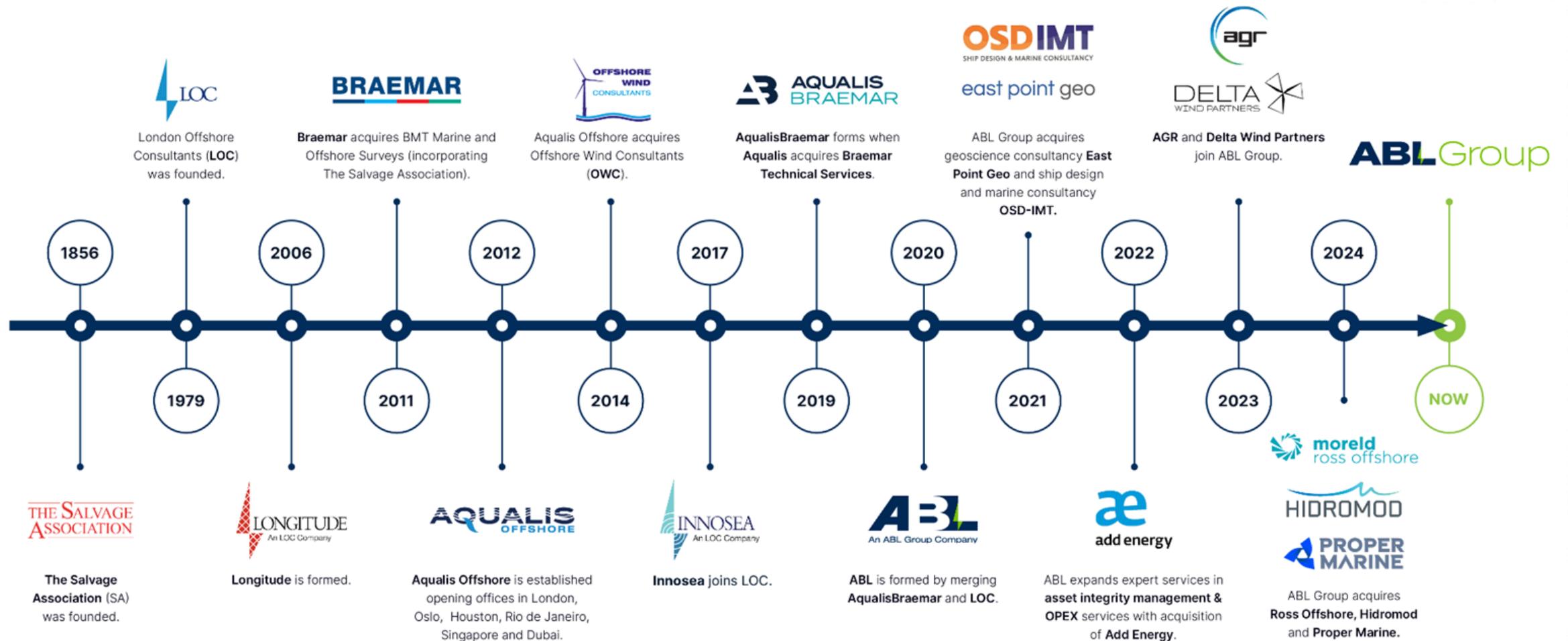
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# Our history

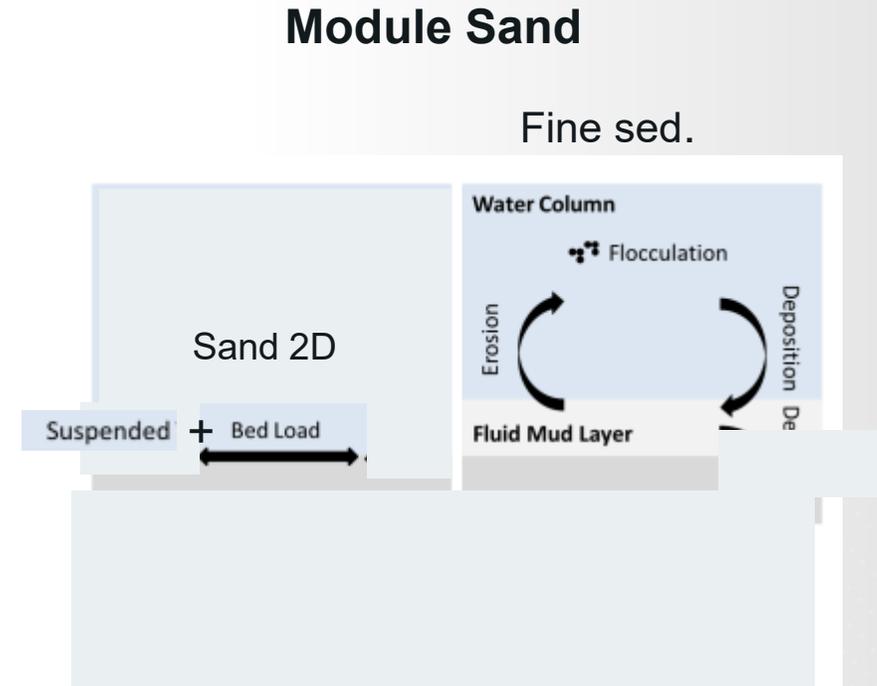
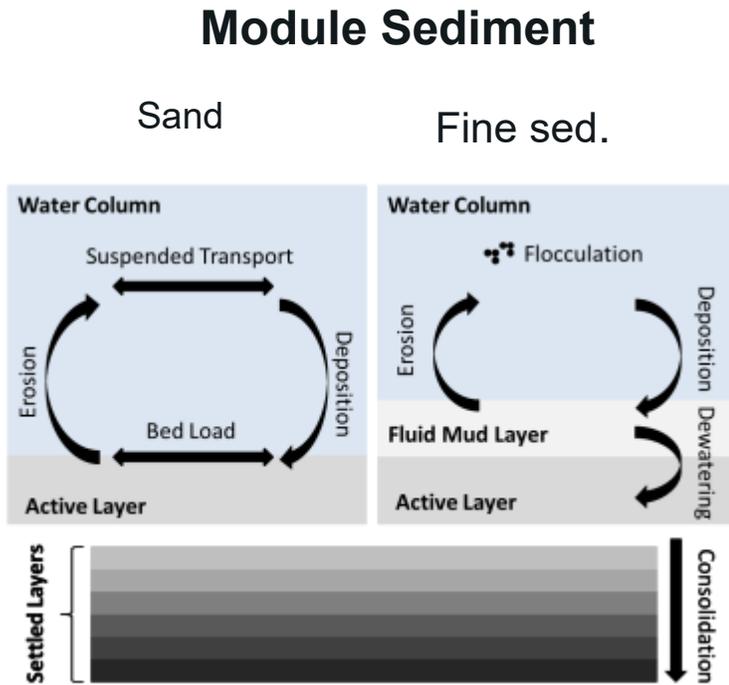


# Sediment transport: time scales vs models

- Long term (years)
  - Approach: 1D shoreline models focus only on longshore transport:
  - Output: shoreline evolution
  - Models: GenCade, Genisis
  
- Medium term (days to months)
  - Approach: 2D/3D currents and/or waves focus on 2D transport
  - Output: bottom and granulometric evolution
  - Models: **MOHID**, HEC-RAS 2D, Delft3D
  
- Short term (hours to days)
  - Approach: 1D/2D focus on cross-shore transport under storms
  - Output: bottom evolution
  - Models: Xbeach, Sbeach

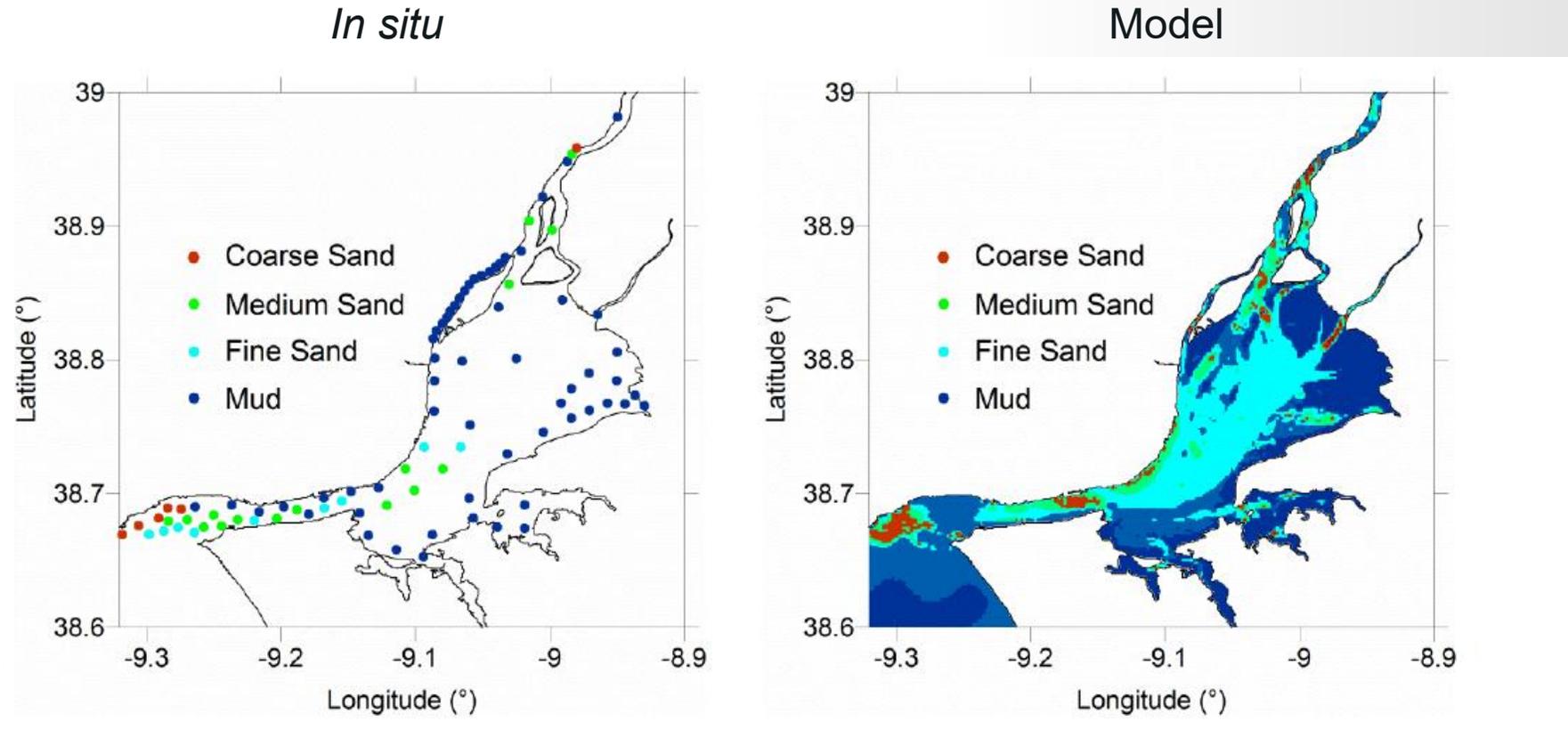
# Module Sand vs Module Sediment

- Bulk formulas & only one sand fraction – Module Sand (Hidromod)
- Bed load + suspended load, multi sand fractions (D50 evolution) – Module Sediment (Franz, 2017, PhD)



# Module Sediment allows D50 evolution (Franz et al., 2017)

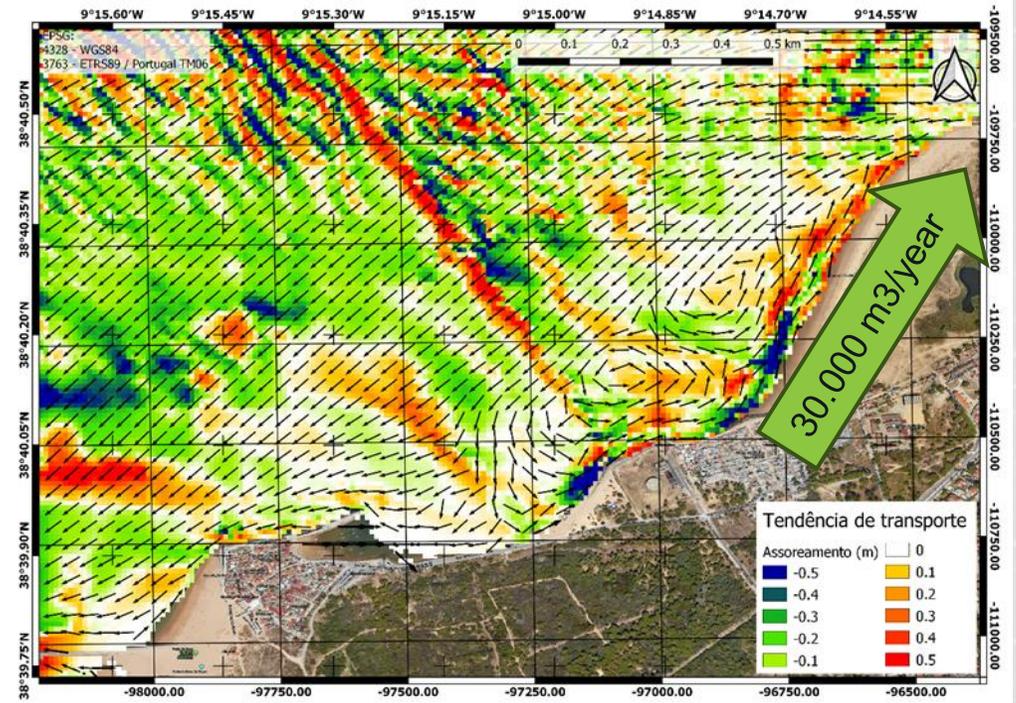
Initial condition - homogeneous sediment distribution in the entire estuary



# MOHID - Add value

- Downscaling
  - Highly tested methodology allowing downscale to the beach scale in accurate and robust way
- Flexibility
  - Processes overlap using several approaches. Agnostic from the forcing point of view
- Bulk or Multi-fraction approach
  - Bulk (module Sand) – first simulations, very robust
  - Multi-fraction approach (Module sediment) - when there are more data

## Sand transport



Currents : MOHID

Waves : Xbeach

Sand : MOHID - Module Sand

# MOHID - Challenges

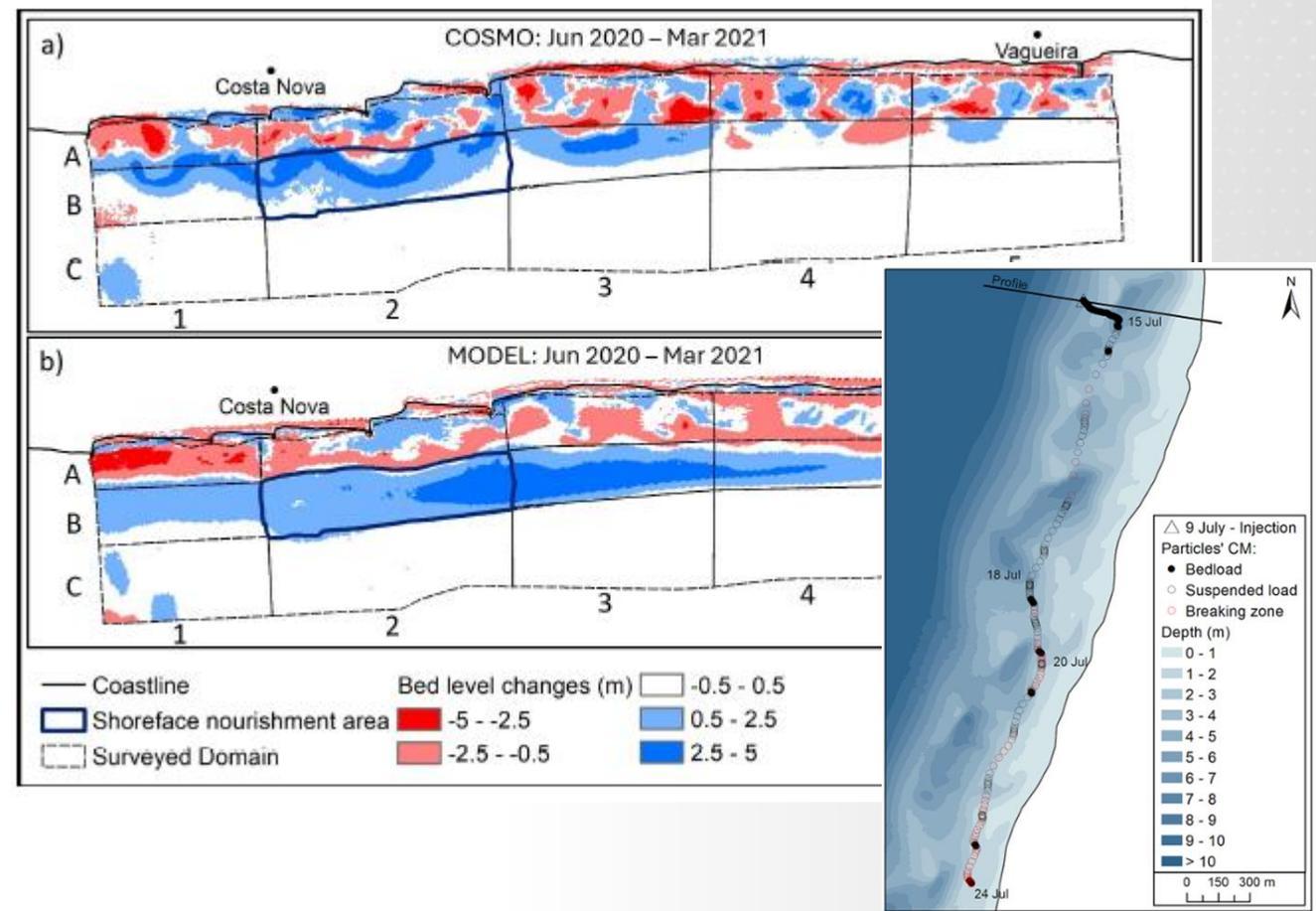
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- Small user community
  - Sediment transport is a very small subset of MOHID implementations
  
- Waves transport
  - M. Delpy (PhD) (3D Waves) and G. Franz (PhD) (Module sediment) need a follow-up
  - Lacking some relevant processes (e.g. roller, streaming,...)

# MOHID - Solutions

- Keep the development efforts
  - More options for the initial conditions
  - More validation in real case studies
- Intercomparison with Delft3D in coastal areas
  - S. Romão PhD, 2025
  - APA bathymetry monitoring programs (COSMO)
- Intercomparison with HEC-RAS 2D in rivers

## S. Romão PhD, 2025 (9 months seabed evolution, Delft3D)





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