

The Great Humpback Whale Trail

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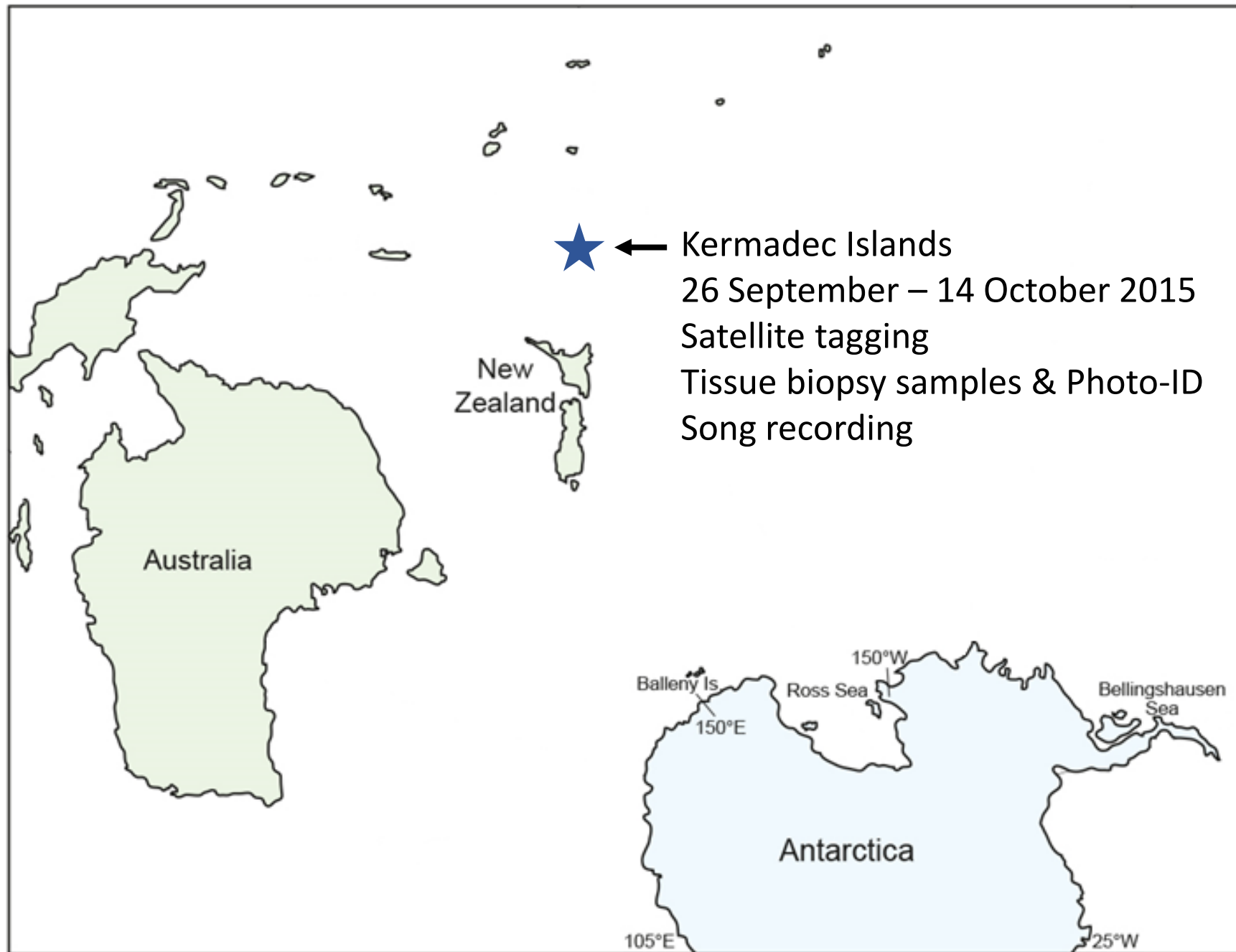
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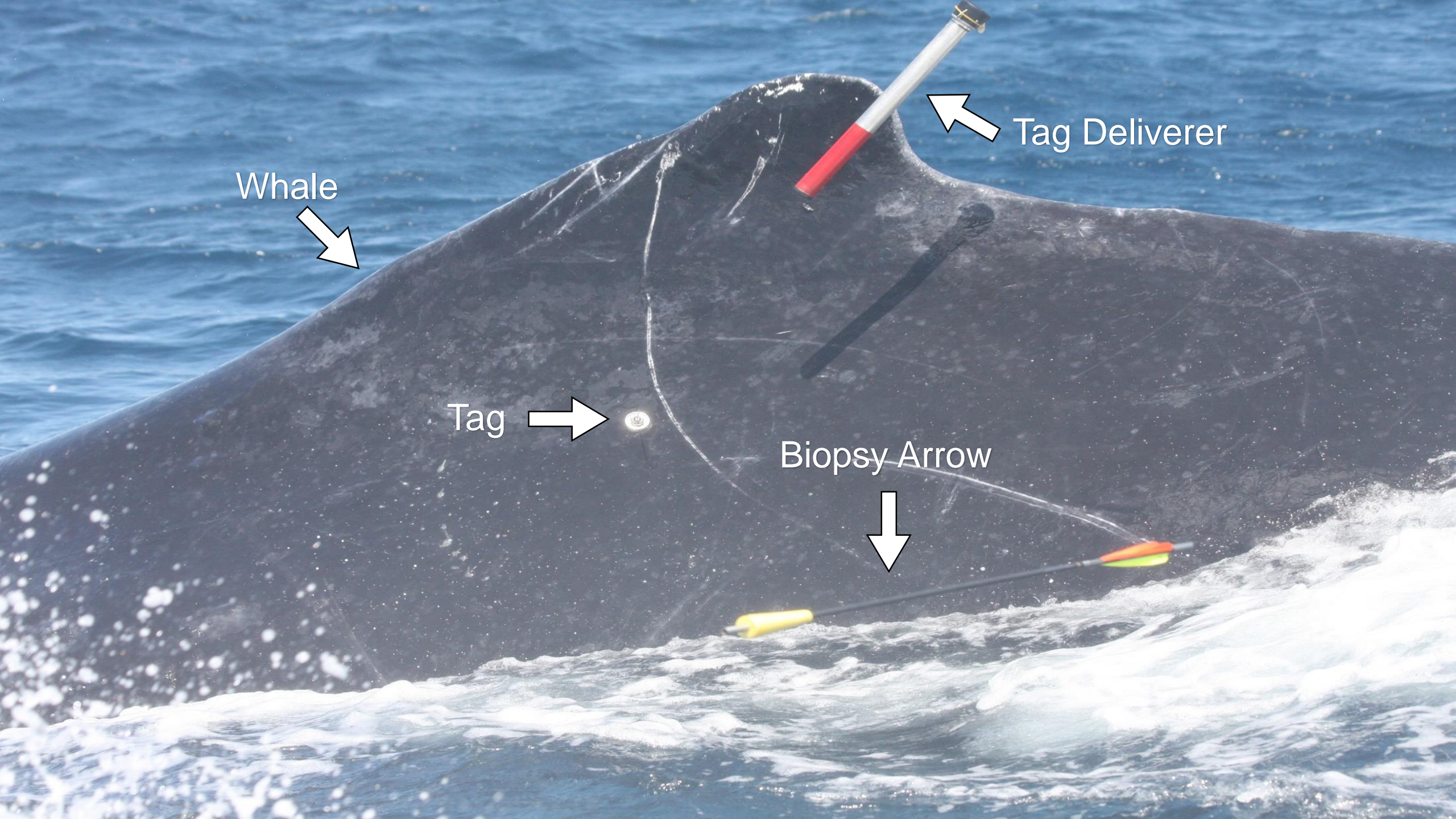


Becky Lindsay photo



Satellite tagging





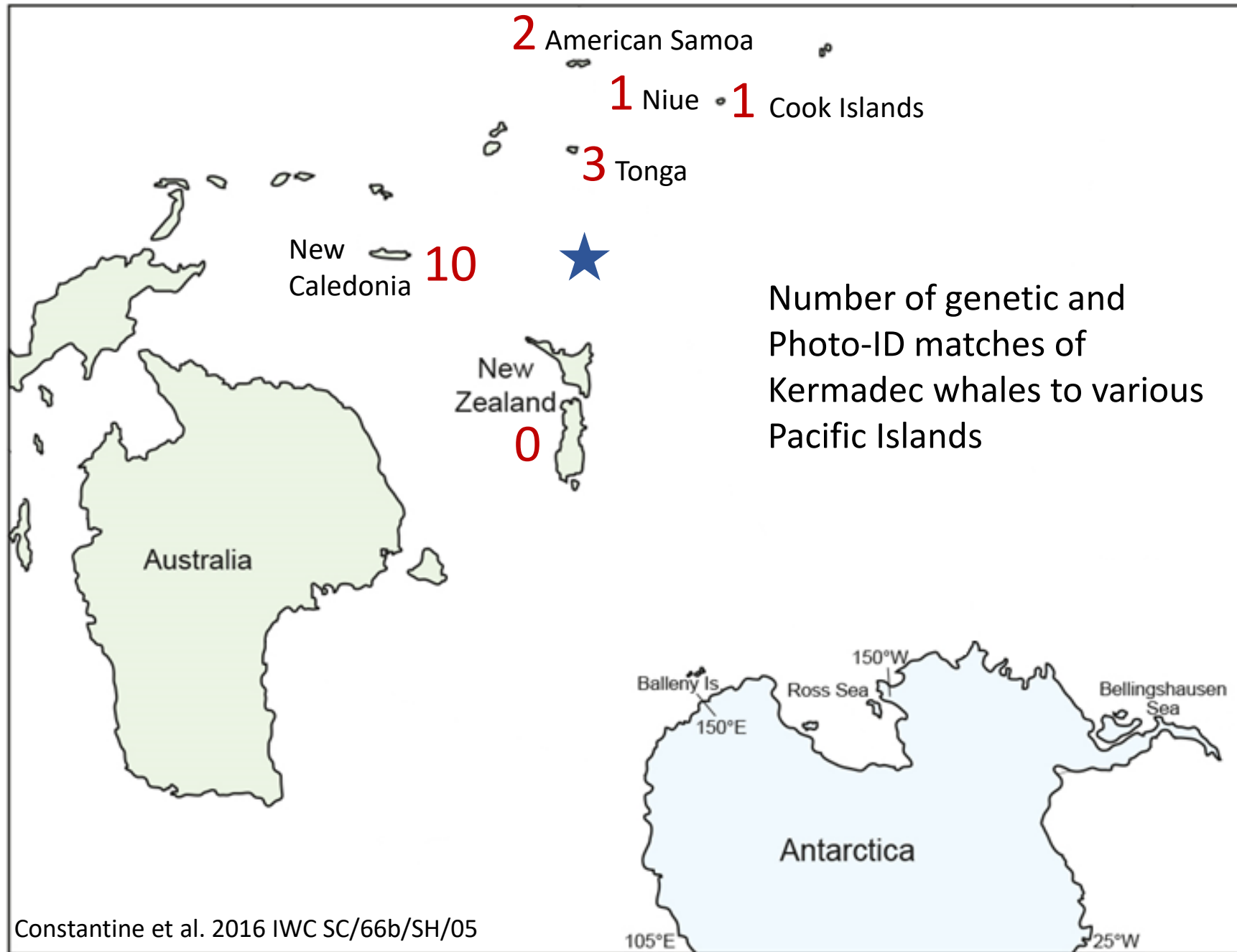
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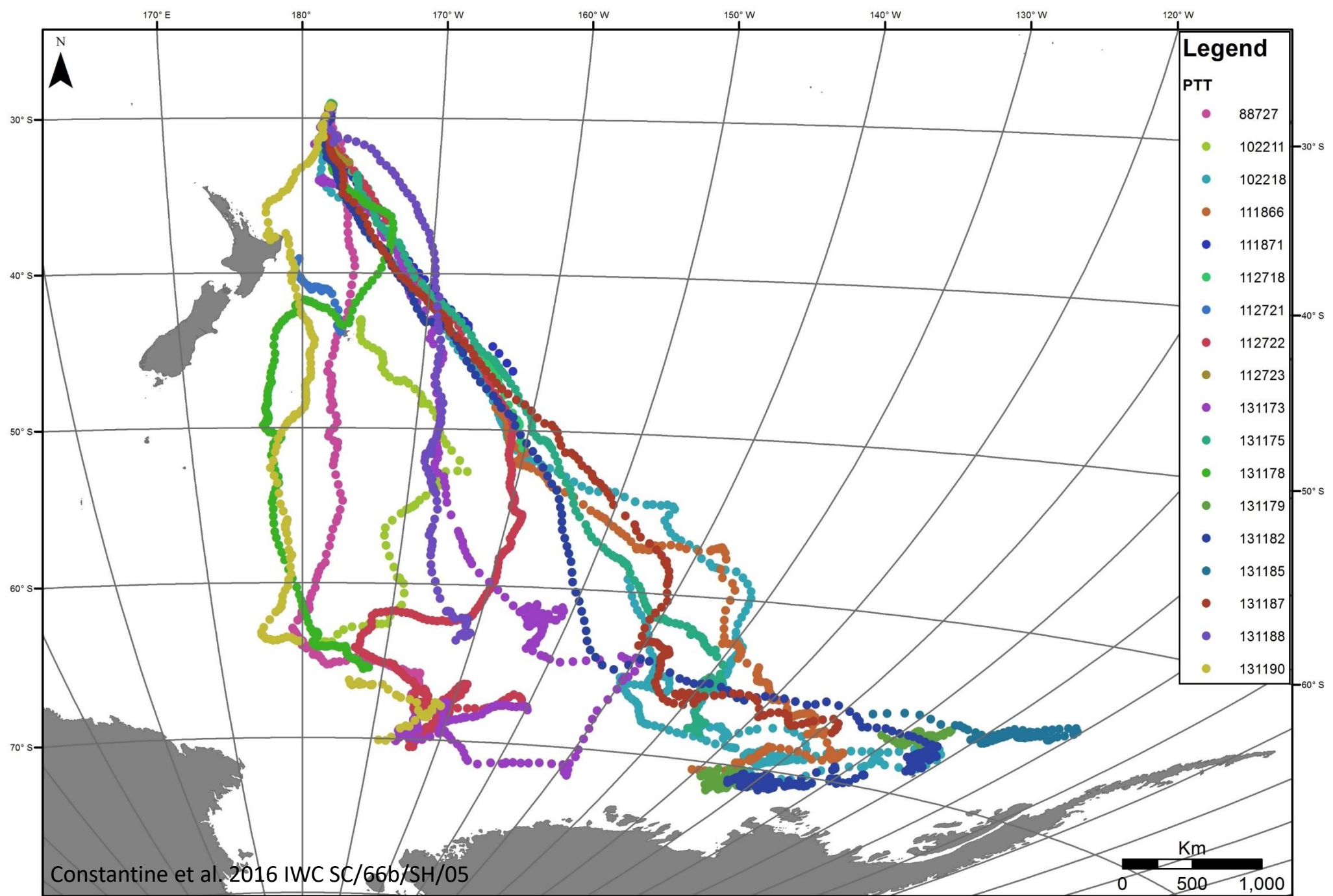
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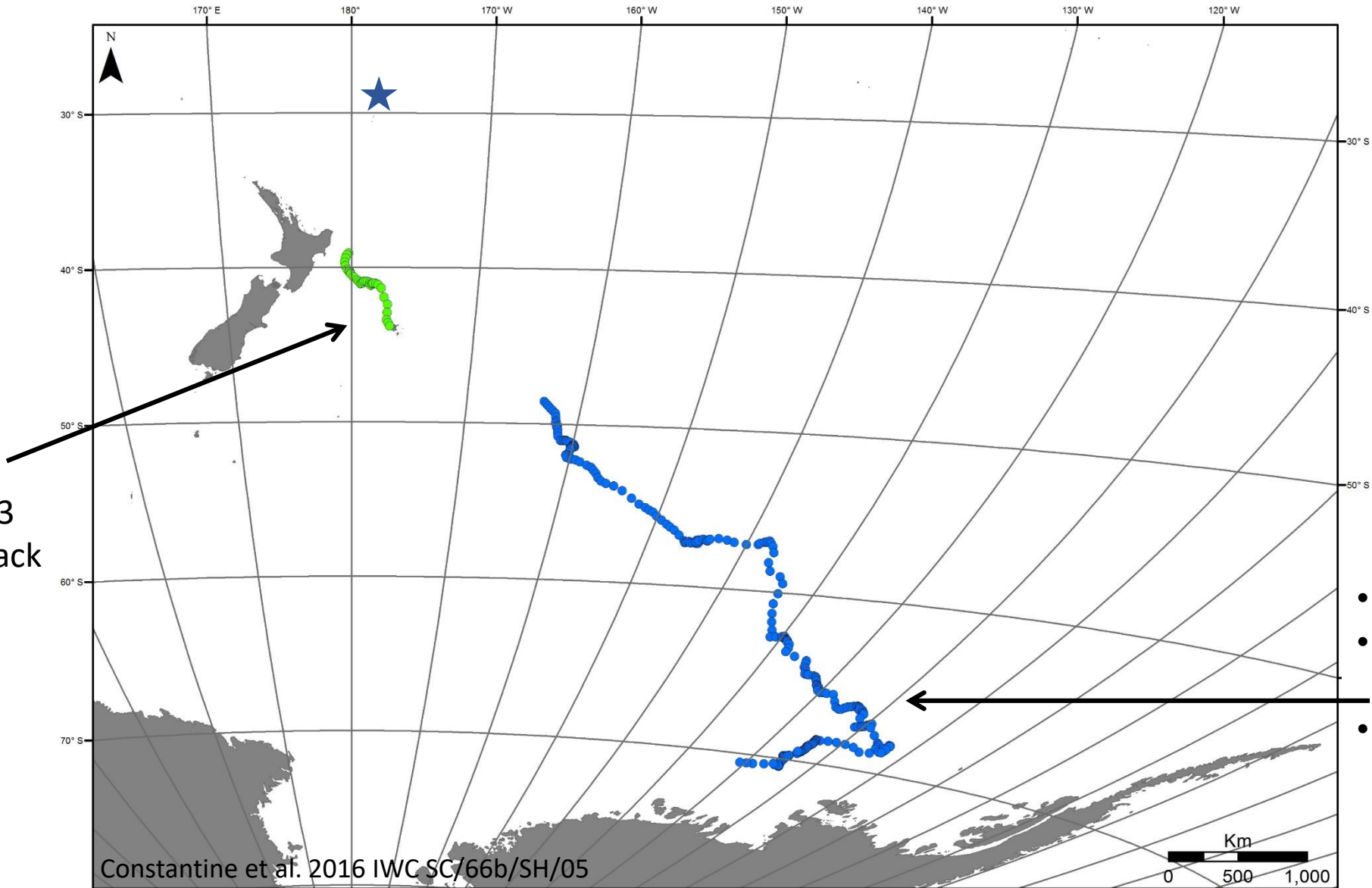
Where do the Kermadec whales come from & where do they go to?



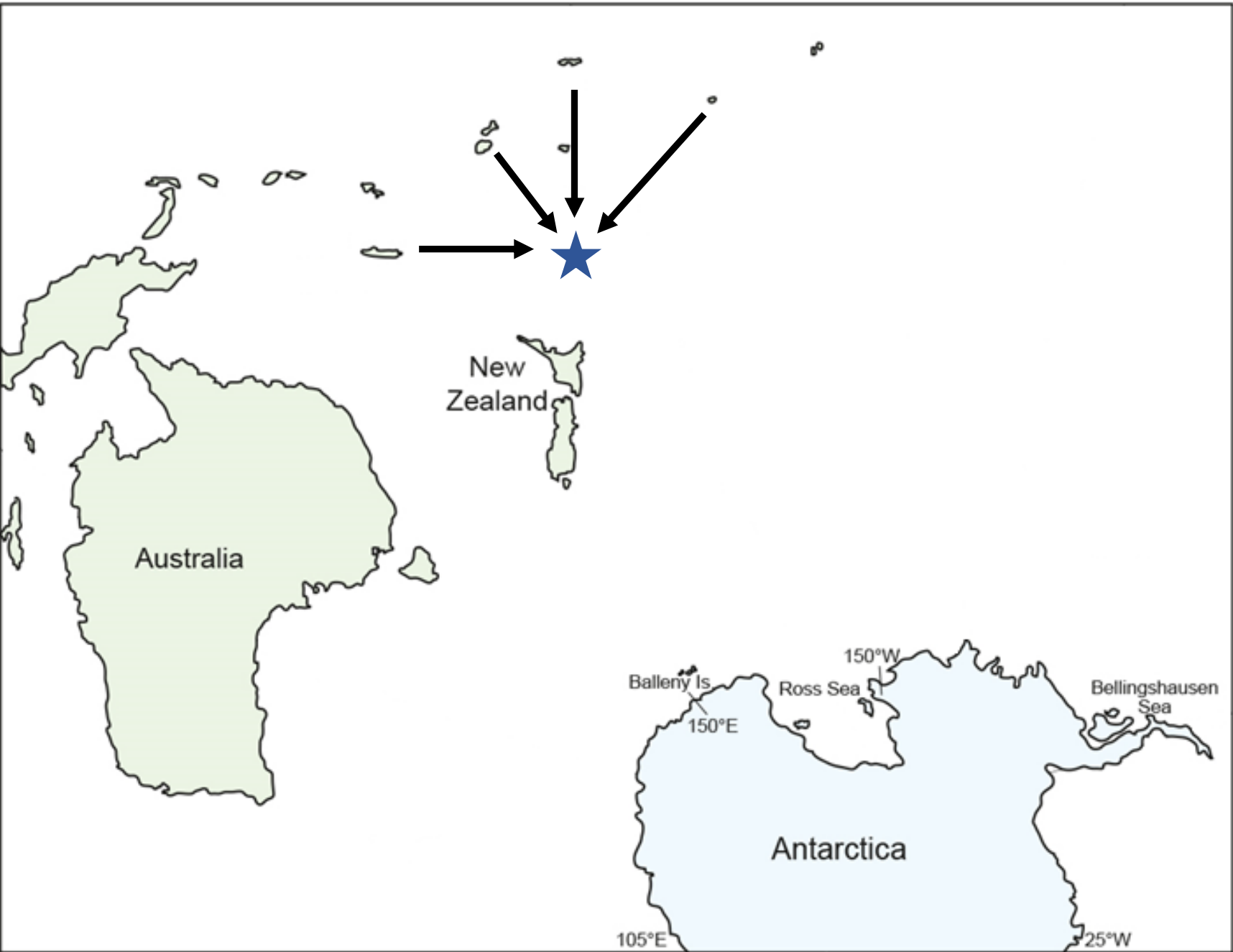


Tongan whales going past the Kermadecs (2015-2016)

- Female
- Sampled in Tonga in 2003
- 49 days of track



- Female
- Sampled in Tonga in 2005
- 163 days of track



Our key findings

Kermadec Islands -
gathering point for Oceania
whales

Identified feeding grounds

Cultural exchange of song

Good science can answer
questions

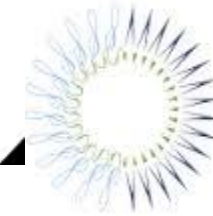
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