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## The NEMO (Nucleus for European Modelling of the Ocean) numerical ocean platform

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The Nucleus for European Modelling of the Ocean (NEMO) is a state-of-the-art modelling platform for oceanographic research, operational oceanography, seasonal forecasts and climate studies. NEMO includes three major components; the blue ocean (dynamics), the white ocean (sea-ice), the green ocean (ocean biogeochemistry). It also allows coupling through interfaces with atmosphere (through OASIS software), waves, ice-shelves, so as nesting through the adaptive mesh refinement software AGRIF. Some reference configurations and test cases allowing to explore, to set-up and to validate the applications, and a set of tools to use the platform are also available to the community. The whole platform and its documentation are available under free licence.

The evolution and reliability of NEMO are organised and controlled by a European Consortium between CMCC (Italy), CNRS (France), MOI France, NOC (UK), UKMO (UK).

Consortium members agree on long term strategy and yearly plans, sharing expertise and efforts within the NEMO System Team: the core team of NEMO developers in order to ensure the successful and sustainable development of the NEMO System as a well-organised, state-of-the-art ocean model code system suitable for both research and operational work