

OUTREACH AT THE AQUARIUM LA ROCHELLE





Born from the passion of a family for the marine world, the Aquarium La Rochelle is one of the largest private aquariums in Europe.

The Aquarium La Rochelle is:

- A marine animal conservation and research centre contributing to many research projects since its foundation.
- A precious tool for fun and educational activities for the youngest visitors.
- The founder of the only Research and Care Centre for Sea Turtles (CESTM), on the french Atlantic and Channel seabord.





Coordinate and animate the Atlantic East sea turtles network

Inform people

CESTM MISSIONS

Host and rehabilitate marine turtles

Transmit data collected to the French environment Ministry



Release marine turtles

Study cause of marine turtle mortality







4 marine turtle species



Leatherback turtle



Loggerhead turtle

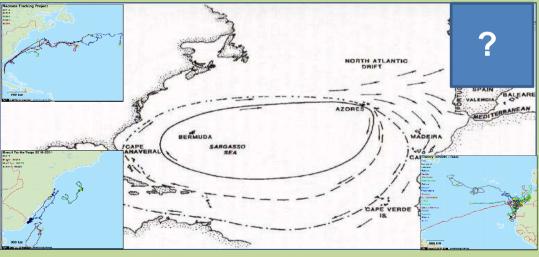


Kemp's ridley turtle



Green turtle



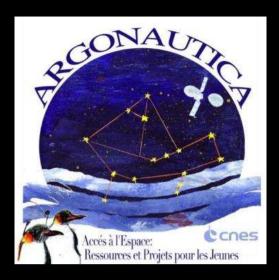


Antioche's first journey: 111 days









Since 2000, a partnership with the CNES is in place for the ARGONAUTICA annual meeting.

This meeting takes place at the Aquarium La Rochelle.

ARGONIMAUX



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ARGOTECHNO









Since 2009, a partnership with the CNES enable the satellite tracking of juvenile marine turtles released by the Aquarium La Rochelle from the French Atlantic coast.

16 marine turtles, from 3 endangered marine species, have been tracked and followed in the Argonimaux session.



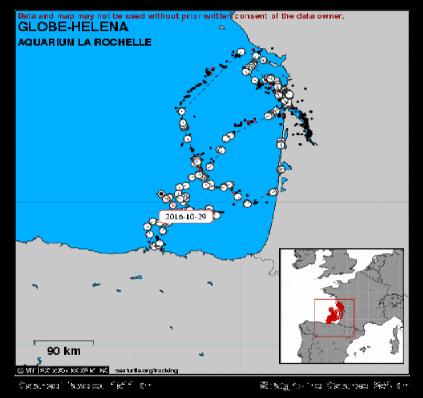


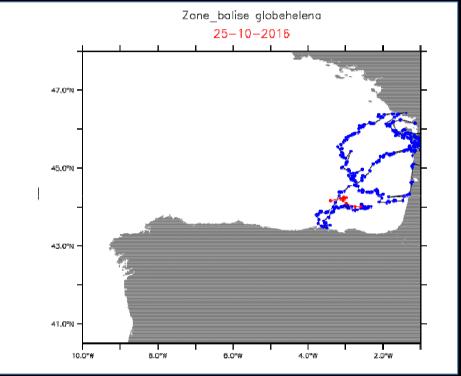












http://www.aquarium-larochelle.com

http://argonautica.jason.oceanobs.com





Positions and other data are transmitted (sea surface temperature, chlorophyl, surface currents and winds...) to help pupils to determine the best factors that can explain marine turtle migrations.

