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Study on Ocean Submesoscale Dynamics and Wave-Current Interactions

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Dear Colleagues,

Ocean submesoscale dynamics refers to the physical processes that occur in the ocean at spatial scales of about 1–100 km, and at time scales of hours to days. These processes are important for understanding the ocean's circulation and biogeochemistry, and for predicting and mitigating the impacts of extreme weather events and climate change.

One important aspect of submesoscale dynamics is the interaction between ocean currents and waves. Waves can interact with ocean currents in several ways, including modifying the surface roughness of the ocean, inducing the mixing of different water masses, and generating small-scale eddies and turbulence. These interactions can have significant impacts on the transport and distribution of heat, salt, and nutrients in the ocean, and on the behavior of marine organisms.

Another important aspect of submesoscale dynamics is the formation and evolution of oceanic fronts. Fronts are regions where water masses with different properties meet and mix. Submesoscale processes play a key role in the formation and maintenance of fronts, and can have important ecological and biogeochemical implications.









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