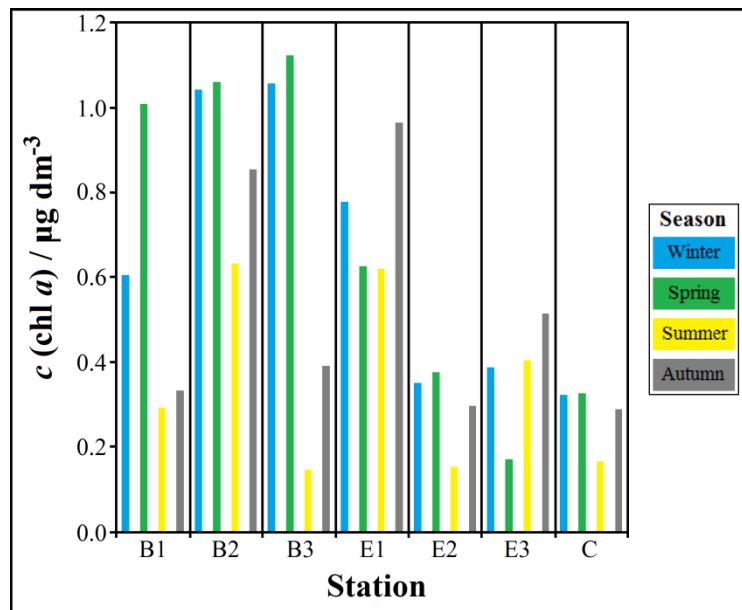
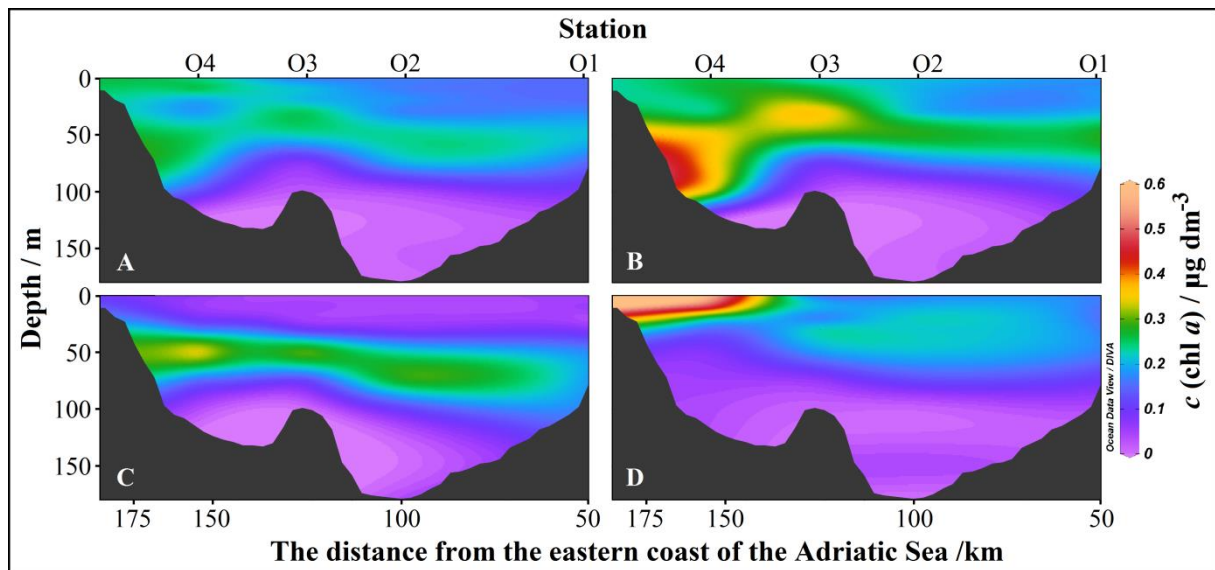


## Supplementary figures



Supplementary Fig. 1. Seasonal mean chlorophyll *a* (chl *a*) concentrations at the coastal stations in the middle Adriatic Sea.



Supplementary Fig 2. Chlorophyll *a* (chl *a*) concentrations along the offshore transect from the island of Vis (station O1) to the Cape of Mt. Gargano (O4) in the middle Adriatic during winter (A), spring (B), summer (C) and autumn (D) in 2009.