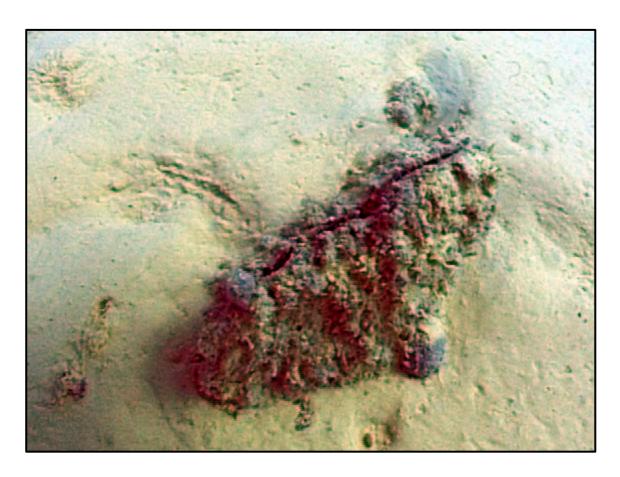
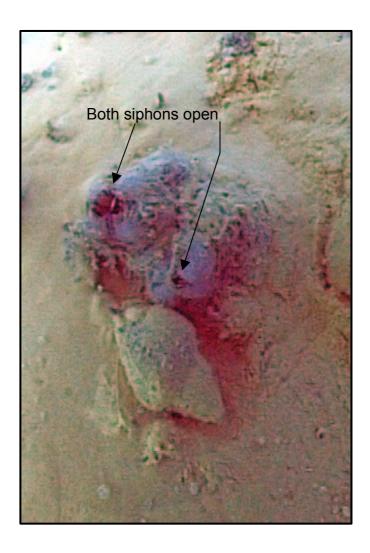


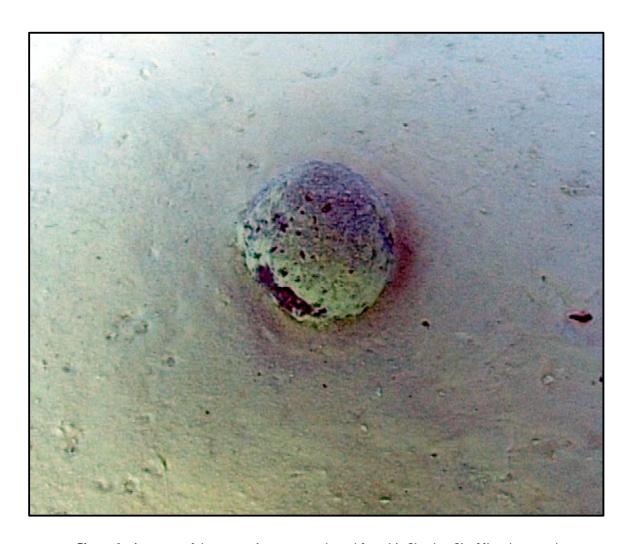
Picture 6: Larger panel: view from above a 3 mm plot at Site MI just hours after terrigenous sediment application. Notice the many holes and burrows that had been cleared by the occupants. Inset: view of a "smoking" hole as the animal occupant ejects terrigenous sediment from its burrow.



Picture 7: Horse mussel *Atrina zelandica* inside an experimental plot at Site MI, 1-2 hours after terrigenous sediment deposition. None of the horse mussels were completely smothered by the deposits. The valves of this specimen are open.



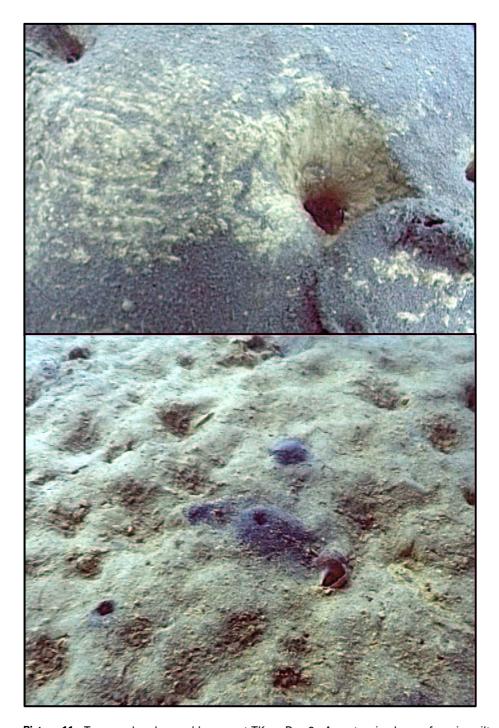
Picture 8: The solitary ascidian *Styela plicata* inside an experimental plot at Site MI, 1-2 hours after terrigenous sediment deposition. *Styela* was rare at both experimental sites. The width of the frame is approximately 10 cm.



Picture 9: A sponge of the genus *Aaptos*, transplanted from Iris Shoal to Site MI and exposed to an experimental deposit of terrigenous sediment. Diameter of the animal (viewed here from above) is approximately 5-6 cm. Relative to *Atrina* and *Styela*, the sponges were not able to shed the sediment from their bodies and were heavily coated with the material.



Picture 10: Observations of animal mortalities on Day 3 at Site MI. A juvenile scallop *Pecten novaezelandiae* (left) was apparently killed by the terrigenous deposit, and numerous burrowing urchins (*Echinocardium australe*, right) were observed on the surface of treated plots at this site, unusual behaviour not observed in any control areas. Most of the *Echinocardium* had large holes indicative of predation, which likely occurred after they had surfaced. Gastropods occurred at high densities in treated plots on Day 3, apparently scavenging flesh from dead animals.



Picture 11: Top panel: a decapod burrow at TK on Day 3. An extensive layer of marine silt covered experimental plots at TK by Day 3, indicative of high current flows and bedload sediment transport; the terrigenous deposits largely remained in place underneath. Bottom panel: less silt atop the plots at MI on Day 3. Cones of dark sediment surrounded some animal burrows. Thus, biologically-mediated sediment mixing and bioturbation occurred at both sites.