



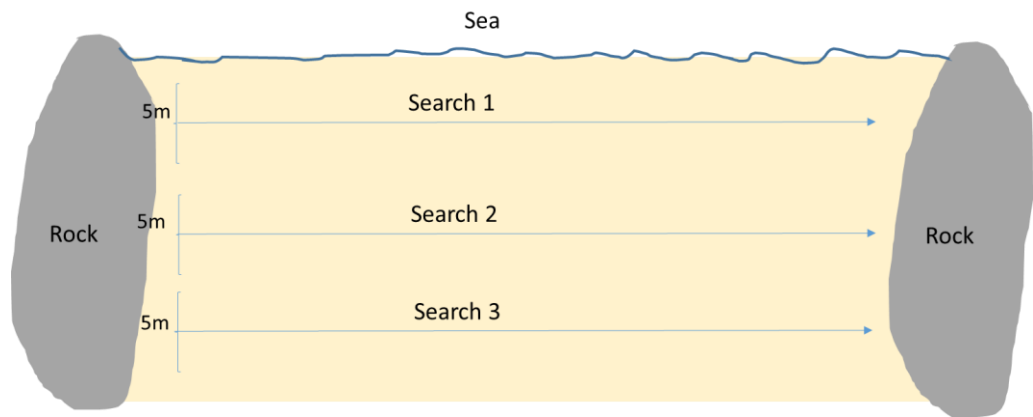
# Spermwatch

## Some Frequently Asked Questions about the surveys:

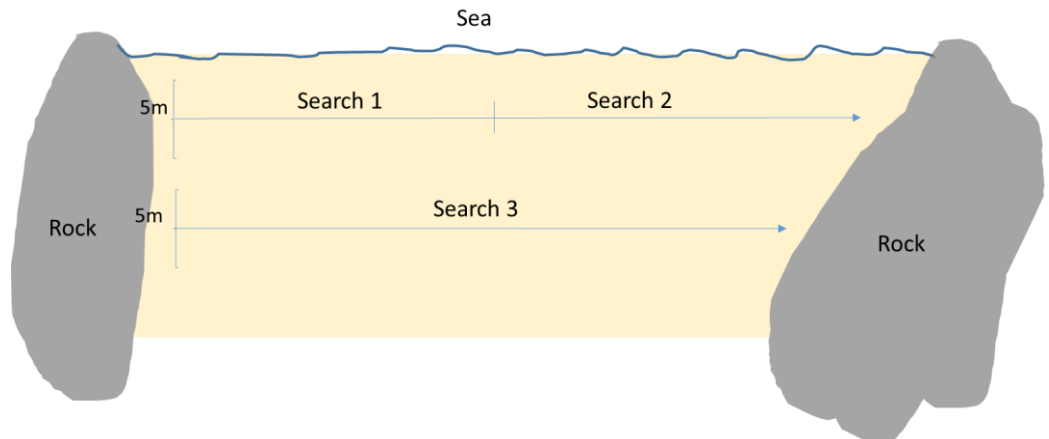
1) I ran out of shore before 10 minutes, what do I do?

*No problem, record the time you finished searching and stop searching. If you have looked at the whole shore you are finished. If there are lugworms higher up the shore you can do your second (or third search) there, for example:*

Example 1:



Example 2:



2) Is it better to survey before low water or after?

*Either is fine but after low water is best.*

3) I walk really far in 10 minutes, how far should I go?

*It is fine to walk quite far, as long as you can always see your starting point and the shoreline, and as long as you don't walk further than ~100m down to the shore line.*

**4) What's the difference between bird poo and sperm puddles?**

*If sperm puddles are present they will be more abundant and close to casts. If you are still unsure, take a picture and send it to [CoCoast@port.ac.uk](mailto:CoCoast@port.ac.uk)*

**5) My beach is very wide, do I have to walk all the way down to the waterline?**

*No, if your beach is wide, don't walk more than ~100m down the beach towards the shoreline. Look out for lugworm casts in the top 100m and do your surveys where you find them.*

**6) My beach is quite wide, and I can see lugworm casts in the middle and near the top of the shore, but not near the waterline. Where do I do my surveys?**

*If your beach is very wide and you cannot survey the whole beach (by searching as described in the diagram), then do your surveys in the area with most lugworm casts.*