

**Table S1.** The list of the 51 shipwreck databases included in the research.

a/a	Name of the Database	Geographical coverage	Historical data	Accurate wrecks' position	Mapping	Thematic orientation	Private or public initiative	Use of Crowdsourcing	Protection status	Data accessibility
1	Wreck.eu	International	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Private	Yes	no	No
2	NADL	International	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Private	Yes	Yes	Yes
3	MASS	International	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Public	No	No	Yes
4	Shipintex.org	International	Yes	No	No	No	Private	No	No	No
5	UBOAT.net	International	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Private	Yes	No	Yes
6	Royal Navy wooden shipwrecks database	International	Yes	No	No	Yes	Private	No	No	Yes
7	Brasil Mergulho	National	Yes	No	Yes	No	Private	Yes	No	Yes
8	Shipwreck Investigations Database	National	Yes	No	No	No	Public	No	No	Yes
9	Nautical Museum of the Atlantic	Regional	Yes	No	No	No	Private	No	No	Yes
10	NAVIS II	Continental	Yes	No	No	Yes	Private	No	No	Yes
11	NAVIS I	Continental	Yes	No	No	Yes	Private	No	No	Yes
12	EU Atlas of the Sea	Continental	No	No	No	No	Public	No	No	Yes
13	MACHU	National	No	Yes	Yes	No	Public	No	No	Yes
14	EMODNET	Continental	No	Yes	Yes	No	Public	No	Yes	Yes
15	Inventories of the DRASSM	National	Yes	No	Yes	No	Public	No	No	Yes
16	l'Atlas archéologique des 2 Mers	Regional	No	No	Yes	No	Private	No	No	Yes
17	National Maritime Museum of Norway	National	Yes	No	No	No	Private	No	No	No
18	Irish Wreck Database	National	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Private	No	No	Yes
19	INFOMAR	National	No	Yes	Yes	No	Private	No	No	Yes
20	Wreck Inventory of Ireland Database	National	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Public	No	Yes	Yes
21	Archeomar Project	National	Yes	Yes	No	No	Public	No	Yes	No
22	Archeosub	Regional	No	No	No	No	Private	No	No	Yes
23	Baltacar	Regional	Yes	No	Yes	No	Private	No	No	Yes
24	Britain National Archives	National	Yes	No	No	No	Private	No	No	Yes
25	UK Diving	National	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Private	Yes	No	Yes

26	UK South Coast WWI Shipwrecks	National	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Private	No	No	Yes
27	The Oxford Roman Economy Project	National	Yes	No	No	Yes	Private	No	No	Yes
28	NOAA	National	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Public	No	No	Yes
29	MBNMS	Regional	No	No	No	No	Public	No	No	Yes
30	Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary and Cordell Banks National Marine Sanctuary Shipwreck	Regional	Yes	No	No	No	Public	No	No	Yes
31	Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary Shipwreck	Regional	Yes	No	No	No	Public	No	No	Yes
32	California State Lands Commission	Regional	Yes	No	No	No	Public	No	No	Yes
33	Wisconsin Shipwreck Database	Regional	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Private	No	No	Yes
34	Minnesota's Historic Shipwrecks	Regional	Yes	No	No	Yes	Private	No	No	Yes
35	Florida's Underwater Archaeological Preserves	Regional	Yes	No	No	No	Public	No	Yes	Yes
36	Underwater Historic Preserves-Vermont	Local	Yes	Yes	No	No	Private	No	No	Yes
37	Delaware New Jersey Maritime Museum's Shipwreck Database	Regional	Yes	Yes	No	No	Private	No	No	Yes
38	BOEM	National	Yes	No	No	No	Public	No	No	Yes
39	Alaska Shipwrecks	National	Yes	No	No	No	Private	No	No	Yes
40	Australasian Underwater Cultural Heritage Database	National	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Public	Yes	Yes	Yes
41	NSW database	Regional	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Public	No	Yes	Yes

42	Western Australian Museum database	Regional	Yes	No	Yes	No	Public	No	No	Yes
43	The Red Sea Wreck Project	Continental	Yes	Yes	No	No	Private	No	No	Yes
44	Shipwreck Asia	Continental	No	No	No	No	Private	No	No	Yes
45	Shipwreck Registry	International	Yes	Yes	No	No	Private	No	No	No
46	New Jersey maritime museum	Regional	No	Yes	No	No	Private	No	No	Yes
47	Baltic and Nordic wrecks and shipfinds	National	Yes	No	No	No	Private	No	No	Yes
48	Permanent list of declared archeological sites and monuments of Greece	National	No	Yes	No	No	Public	No	Yes	Yes
49	Grafas Diving Database	Regional	Yes	No	No	No	Private	No	No	Yes
50	Samos Scuba Divers Association	Local	No	No	Yes	No	Private	No	No	Yes
51	Dive Planet Blue	Local	No	No	Yes	No	Private	No	No	Yes