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An IMAS-led study of seabirds that had ingested plastic debris has revealed a range of non-lethal impacts on their health and physiology.

While seabird deaths due to swallowing plastic

"Understanding how individual seabirds are affected is also further complicated by the fact they spend little time on land or at breeding colonies, and most mortalities occur at sea where the causes of death are often unknown.

"The complex range of issues that face seabirds - from habitat loss and climate change to fishing and marine pollution -