

# BOUSSOLE Monthly Cruise Report

Cruise 44

July 27 – 29, 2005

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Fig 1. Buoy rads are equipped with copper sheets near detectors, to prevent bio-fouling contamination.

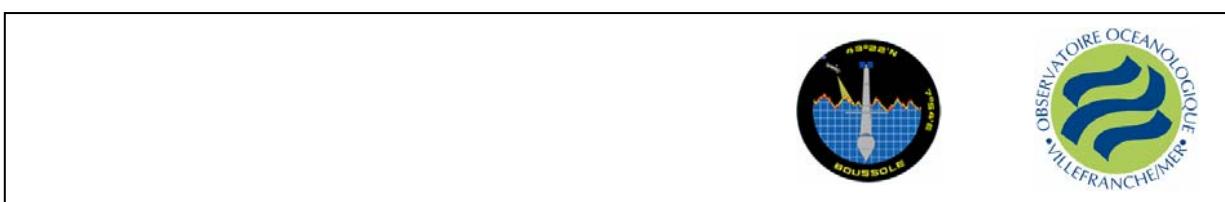
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## **Foreword**

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## Cruise Objectives

Multiple SPMR profiles are to occur within 1 hour of satellite overhead passes of MERIS around solar noon, under optimal conditions: clear blue skies and flat, calm sea surface. If the sky is clear and sea conditions are reasonably calm (no whitecaps or large swell), hand held CIMEL sun photometer measurements are to be performed consecutively where possible with SPMR profiles. If sea conditions are poor but sky is good, hand held CIMEL sun photometer measurements can be made at intervals throughout the day to measure atmospheric optical thickness. A floating platform is to be used to support the SPMR Eu sensor approximately 20cm below the surface for up to 3 minutes of stable light field before a release mechanism triggers the release of the profiler to start a descent as normal. Multiple descents ideally will be started in this way and the data will be used to assess near-surface Eu extrapolation model calculations. CTD deployments are required at the start and end of the SPMR profiling day and around noon in the longer summer days or when there is a high possibility of a satellite matchup. In addition to the depth profile from the CTD, CDOM fluorometer, Chl fluorometer and AC9, seawater samples are to be collected, filtered and stored in N<sub>2</sub> for HPLC pigment and particule absorption spectrophotometric filter analysis in the lab. A gimbled PAR sensor positioned on the foredeck and operated from the CTD computer serves as a light field stability indicator during SPMR profiling.

For one day of each cruise, at the end of the optics measurements on site, there will be one ctd transect between the Boussole site and the Port of Nice. This transect consists of four fixed locations on-route from Boussole and a final two station positions to be decided during the transect in order to sample on both sides of the main frontal structure between the coastal waters and Ligurian Sea. The time of day of this transect should be similar for each cruise, if possible to minimise influence of diurnal variability.

3 CNRS divers (David Luquet, Laurent Giletta and Yves Lamblart) will be onboard on 28 July 2005 to take some pictures and clean and check the buoy structure under the sea surface.

Fanny Tièche will be present on 28 July for the Ultra Path water sampling/filtration and for another set of filtration.

Other activities will also be performed on the buoy to download the data off the buoy and verify that everything is as expected above the waterline.

## Cruise Summary

The PAROSCIENTIFIC pressure sensor was still unavailable (cf. BOUSSOLE #36 report); depth was again measured with a SBE39 hand held CTD fixed onto the SPMR body.

Sea conditions were excellent for the 3 days, optics conditions were good for the first and second days, with nevertheless a constant but small amount of haze, but were fair for the last day (heterogeneous clouds).

A new 4000 meters electric cable for the CTD deployment was installed on the ship. Nevertheless, The crew had to cut about 200 meters, as the cable was too long to stay securely on the whinch. Dominique Tailliez reconnected that cable properly.

### Wednesday 27 July 2005

Weather for this day was very good, the sea was quite flat, and the sky was quite blue, with a little amount of haze (white on horizon), but very stable for optic operations. 3 SPMR/SMSR profiles with pyramidal floating system, 1 Secchi disk measurement, 1 CIMEL atmospheric measurement, 2 CTD at BOUSSOLE site and 5 CTD at stations 1 to 5 of the radial were realized.

### Thursday 28 July 2005

Weather was also very good, while not so good than the previous day (the sky was more milky, and the Sea less flat). Divers went twice at Sea, the first one to clean the sensor (symbolic as they were very clean) and take some pictures of them, and the second to try to take some air/sea pictures of the CTD deployment near the buoy. Unfortunately, at that moment, the Sea was a little bit choppy and that kind of picture was impossible. Other

measurements realized that day were 2 CTD profiles, 3 SPMR/SMSR profiles with pyramidal floating system and 3 CIMEL shots.

## Friday 29 July 2005

Sky conditions were poor and unstable that day. The sky was white and diffuse at morning (sun was hidden), and large gray clouds appeared in the afternoon. Sea conditions were good. Only 2 CTD profiles were realized that day.

## Cruise Report

### 27 July 2005 (UTC)

- 0630 Departure from port of Nice.
- 0955 CTD 1 with water sampling at 200, 100, 80, 70, 60, 50, 40, 30, 20, 10 and 5 meters.
- 1215 Buoy data uploading.
- 1255 SPMR/SMSR profiling with pyramid buoy.
- 1440 Secchi disk 1.
- 1457 CIMEL measurement 1.
- 1501 CTD 2 with water sampling at 10 and 5 meters.
- 1608 CTD 3 at station 1 (43°25'N 07°48'E).
- 1712 CTD 4 at station 2 (43°28'N 07°42'E).
- 1811 CTD 5 at station 3 (43°31'N 07°37'E).
- 1914 CTD 6 at station 4 (43°34'N 07°31'E).
- 2020 CTD 7 at station 5 (43°37'N 07°25'E).
- 2150 Arrival at port of Nice.

### 28 July 2005

- 0500 Departure from port of Nice.
- 0830 Diving operation 1 (sensor cleaning and sub-surface pictures).
- 0910 CTD 8 with water sampling at 200, 100, 80, 70, 60, 50, 40, 30, 20, 10 and 5 meters (for UltraPath also).
- 0925 CIMEL measurement 2.
- 1008 CIMEL measurement 3.
- 1035 Secchi disk 2.
- 1053 CIMEL measurement 4.
- 1100 Diving operation 2 (air/sea pictures of the CTD).
- 1213 SPMR/SMSR profile with pyramid buoy.
- 1345 Electric cable connection after 200 meters cut.
- 1458 CIMEL measurement 5.
- 1525 CTD 9 with water sampling at 5 and 10 meters (triplicates).
- 1930 Arrival at port of Nice.

### 29 July 2005

- 0430 Departure from port of Nice.
- 0802 CTD 10 with water sampling at 200, 100, 80, 70, 60, 50, 40, 30, 20, 10 and 5 meters.
- 1114 CTD 11 with water sampling at 5 and 10 meters (triplicates).
- 1500 Arrival at port of Nice.

## Calculated Swath paths for MERIS Sensor (ESOV Software)

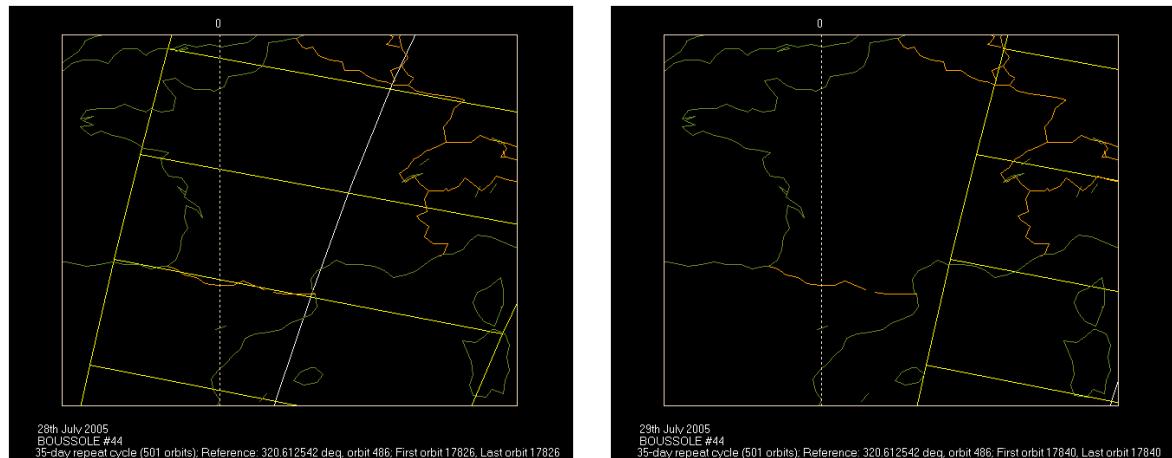
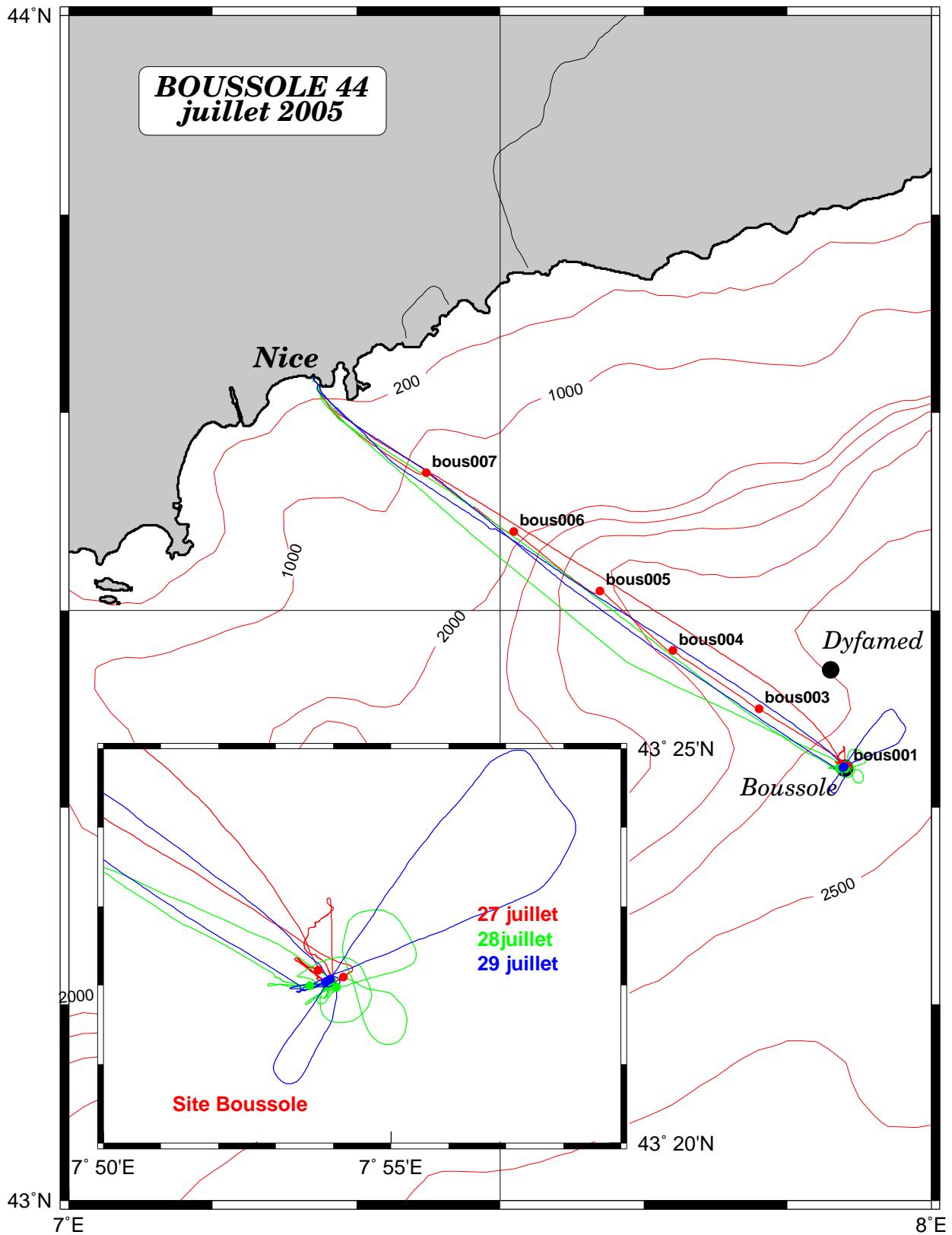


Figure 3. Calculated swath paths for MERIS (Esov software) above BOUSSOLE site for 28 and 29 July 2005.

## Appendix





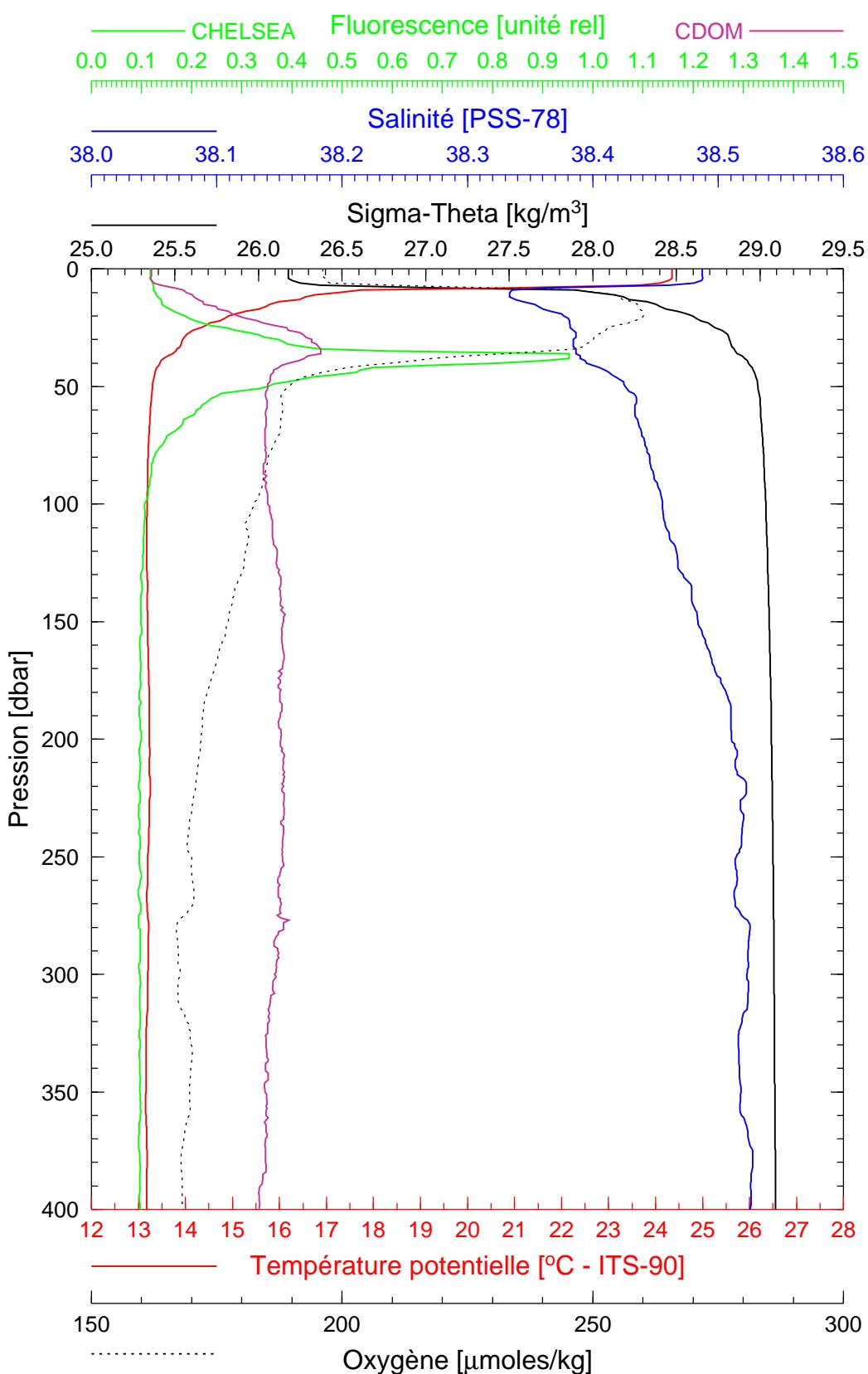
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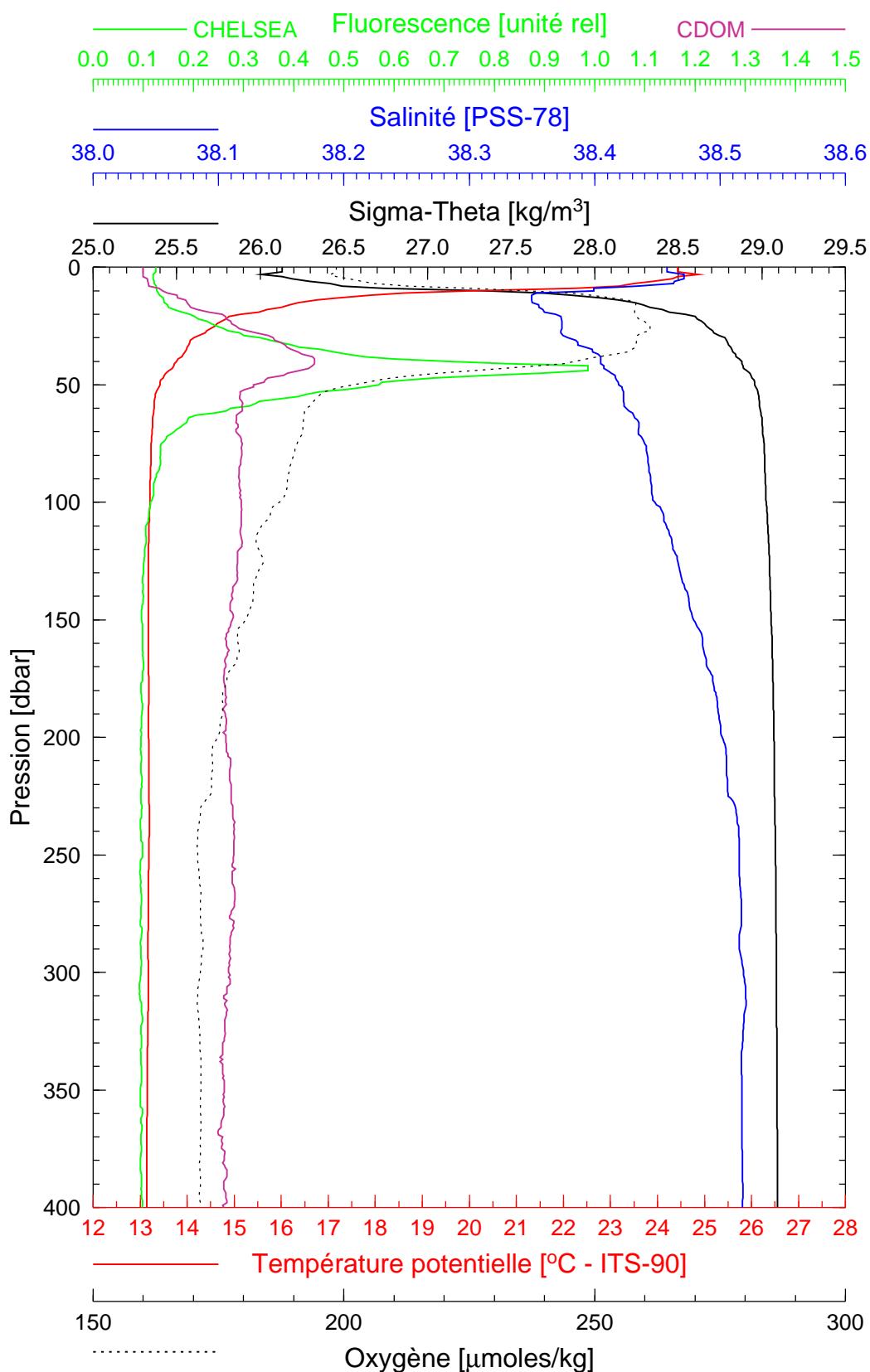
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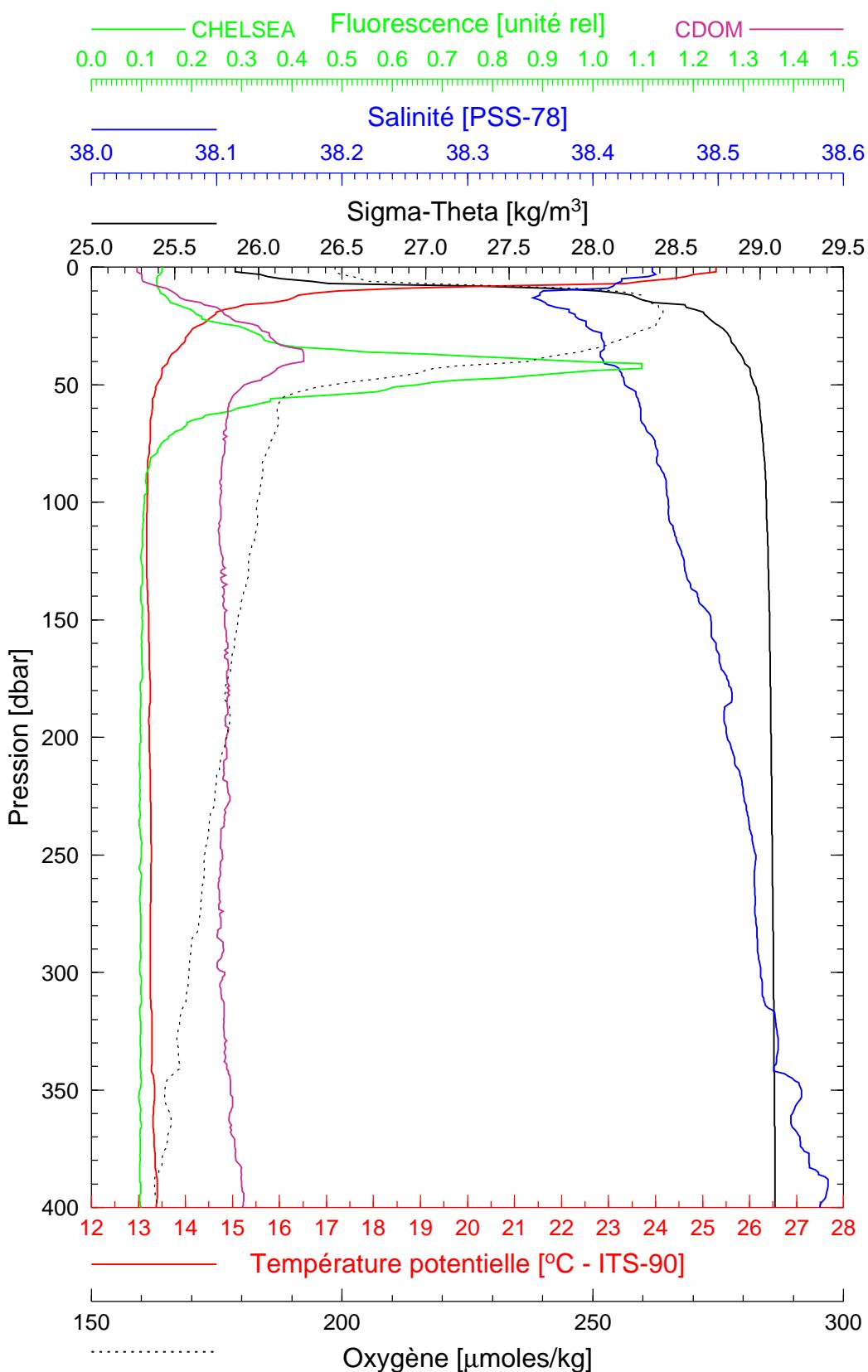
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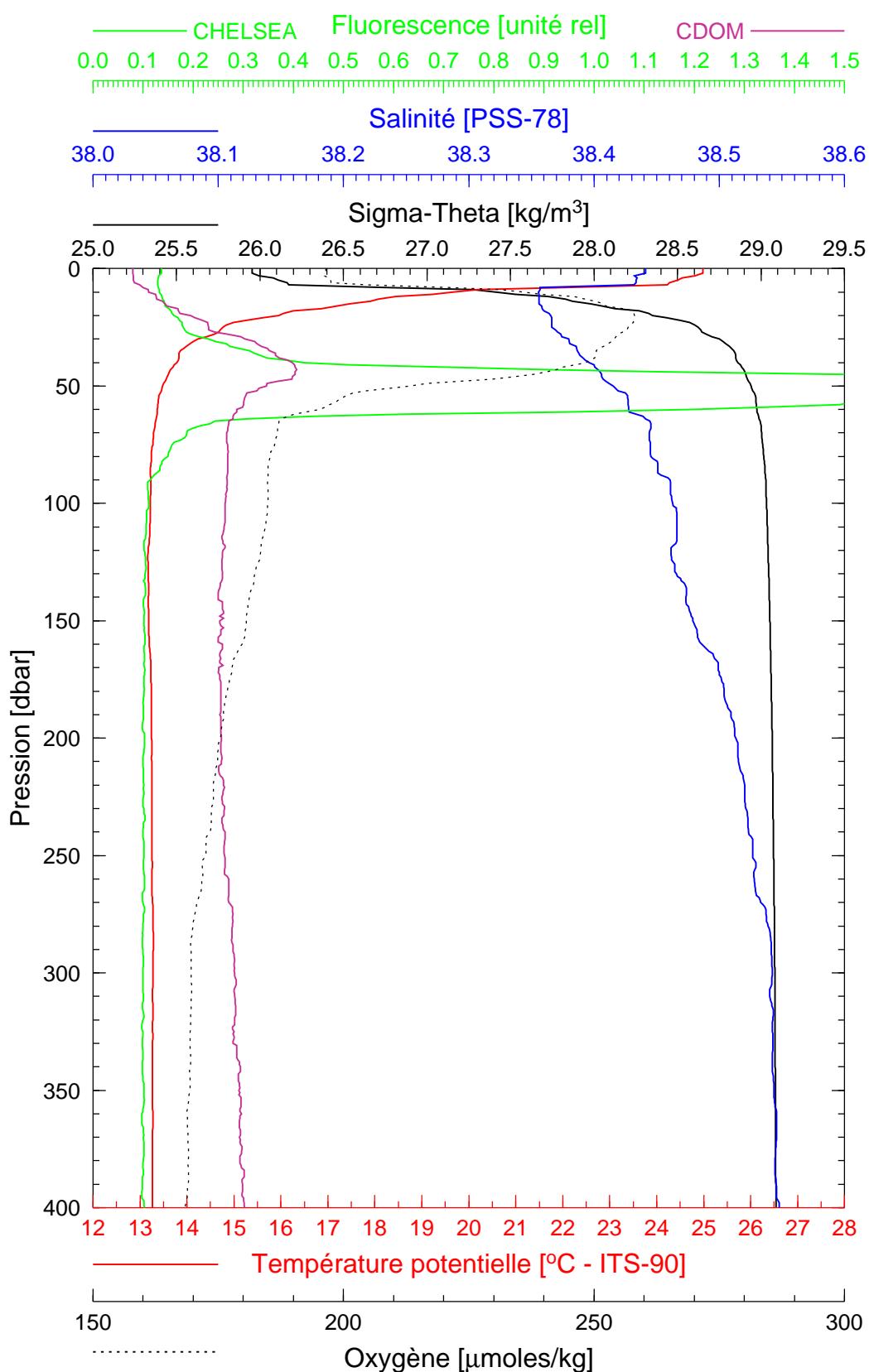
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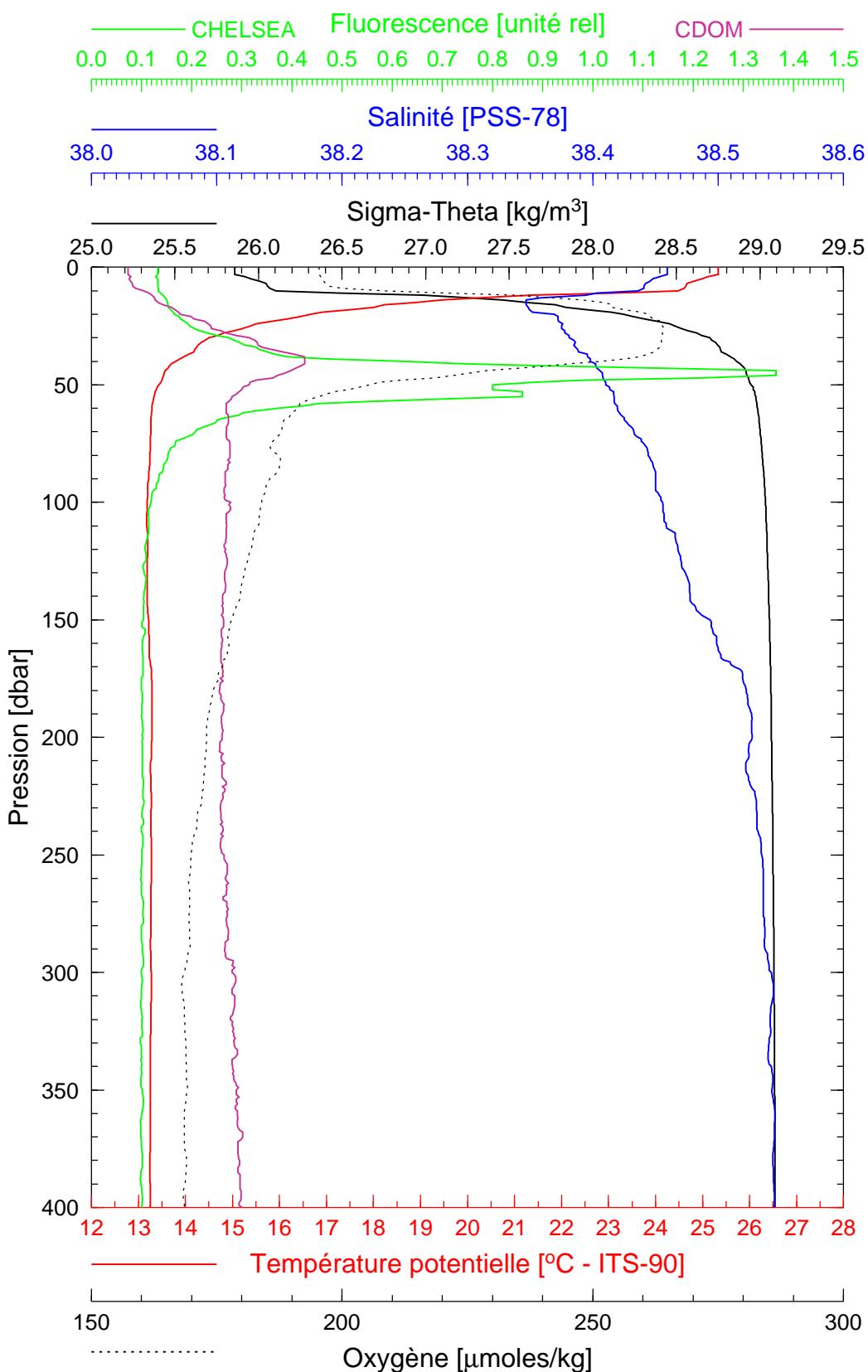
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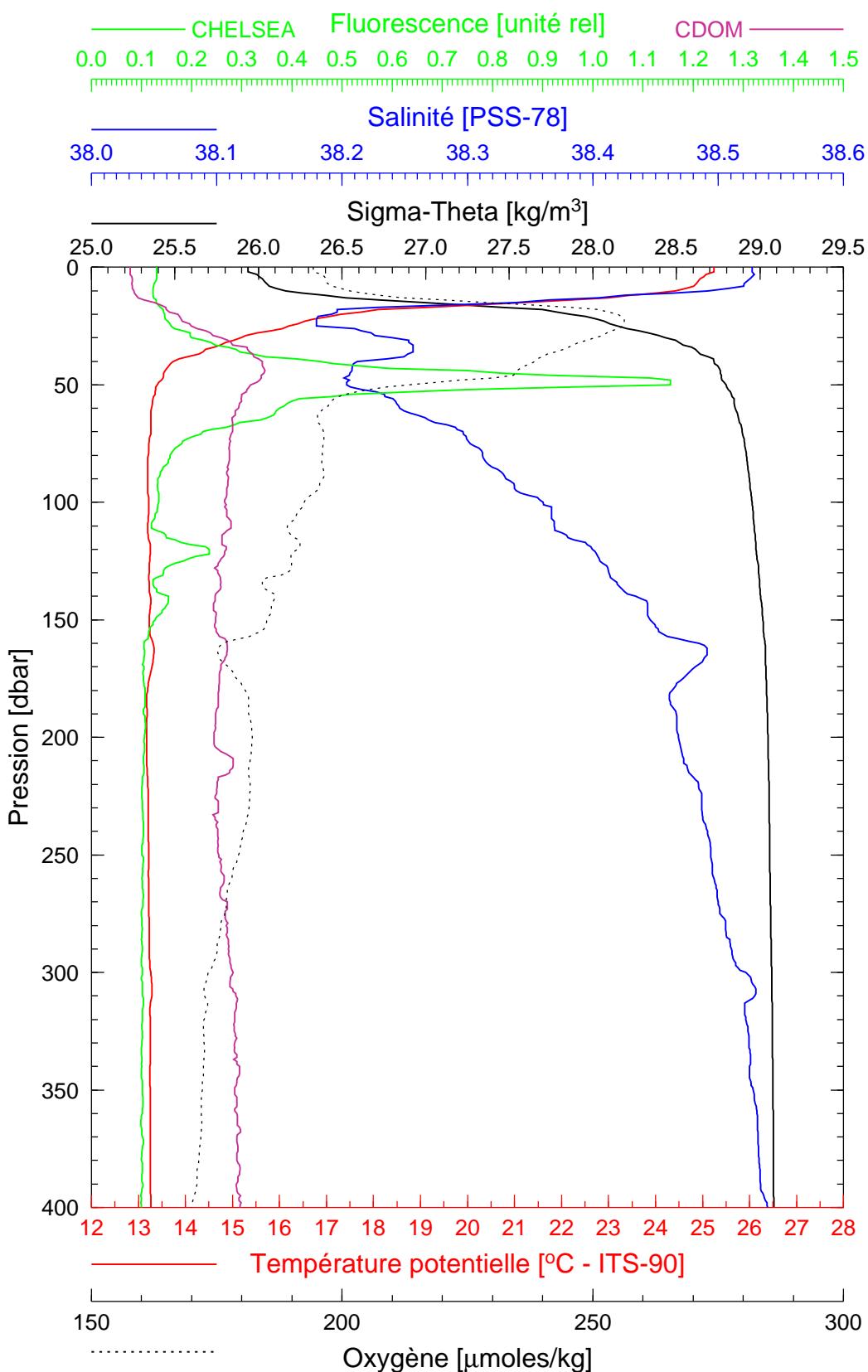
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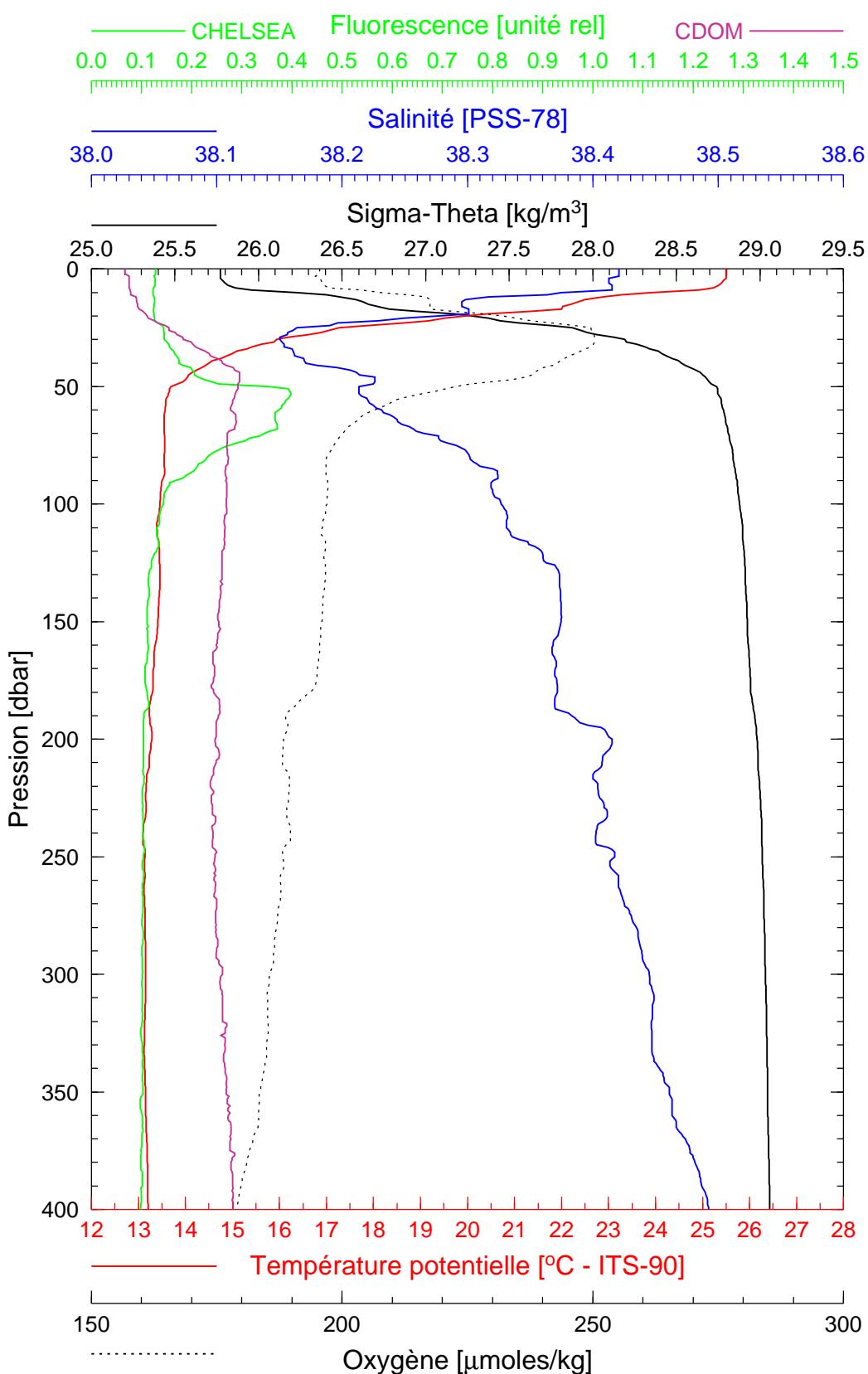
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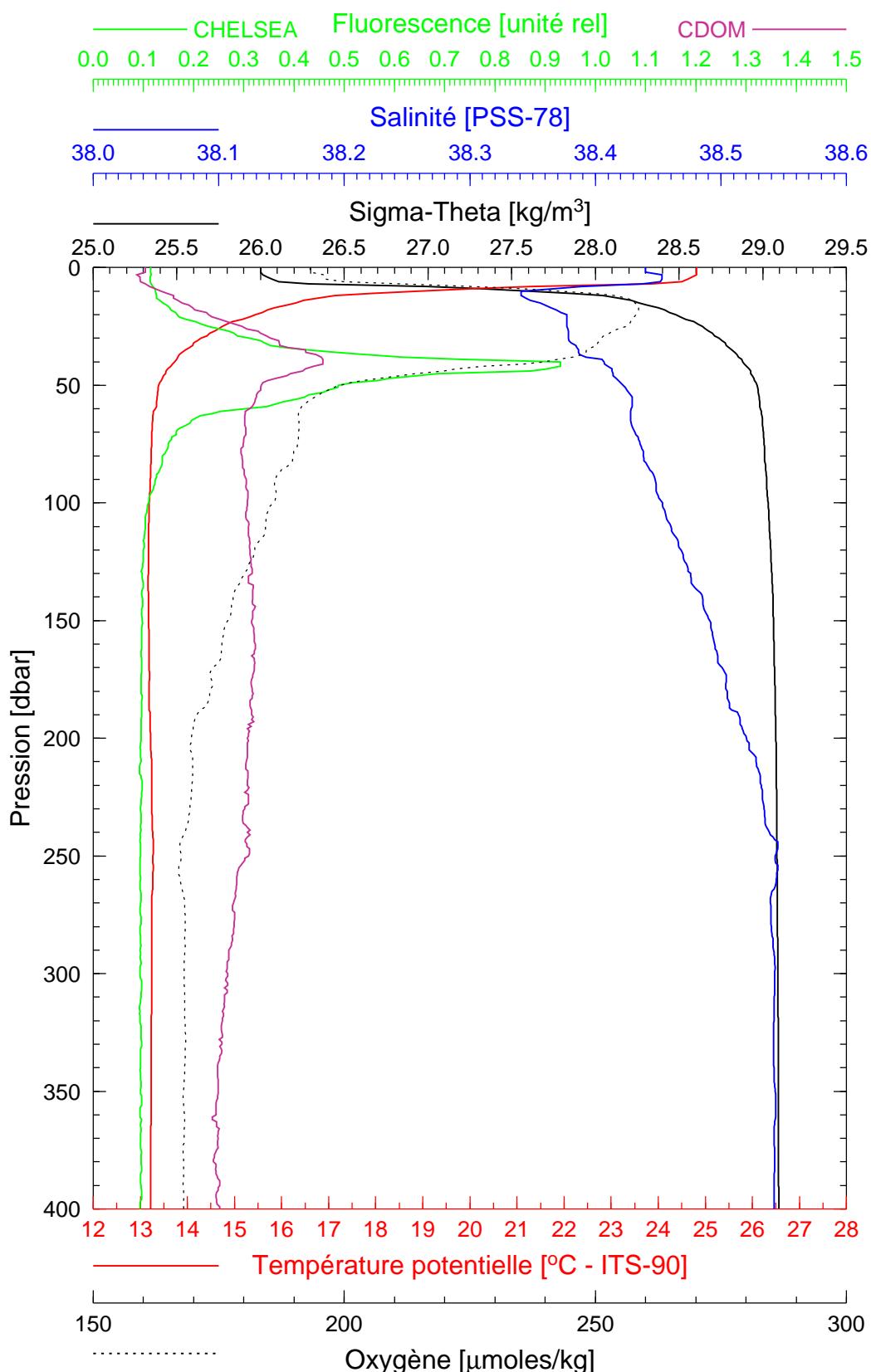
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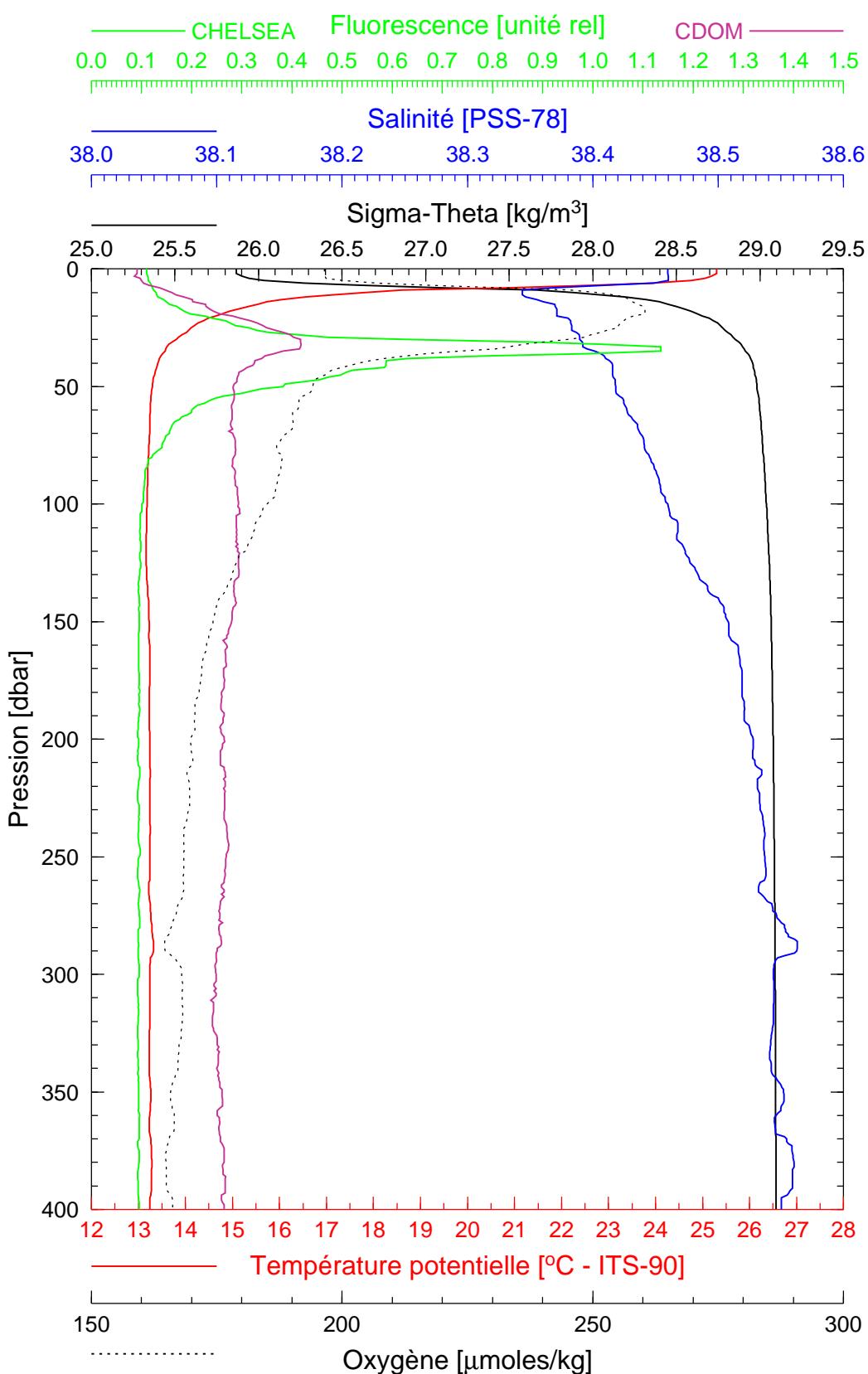
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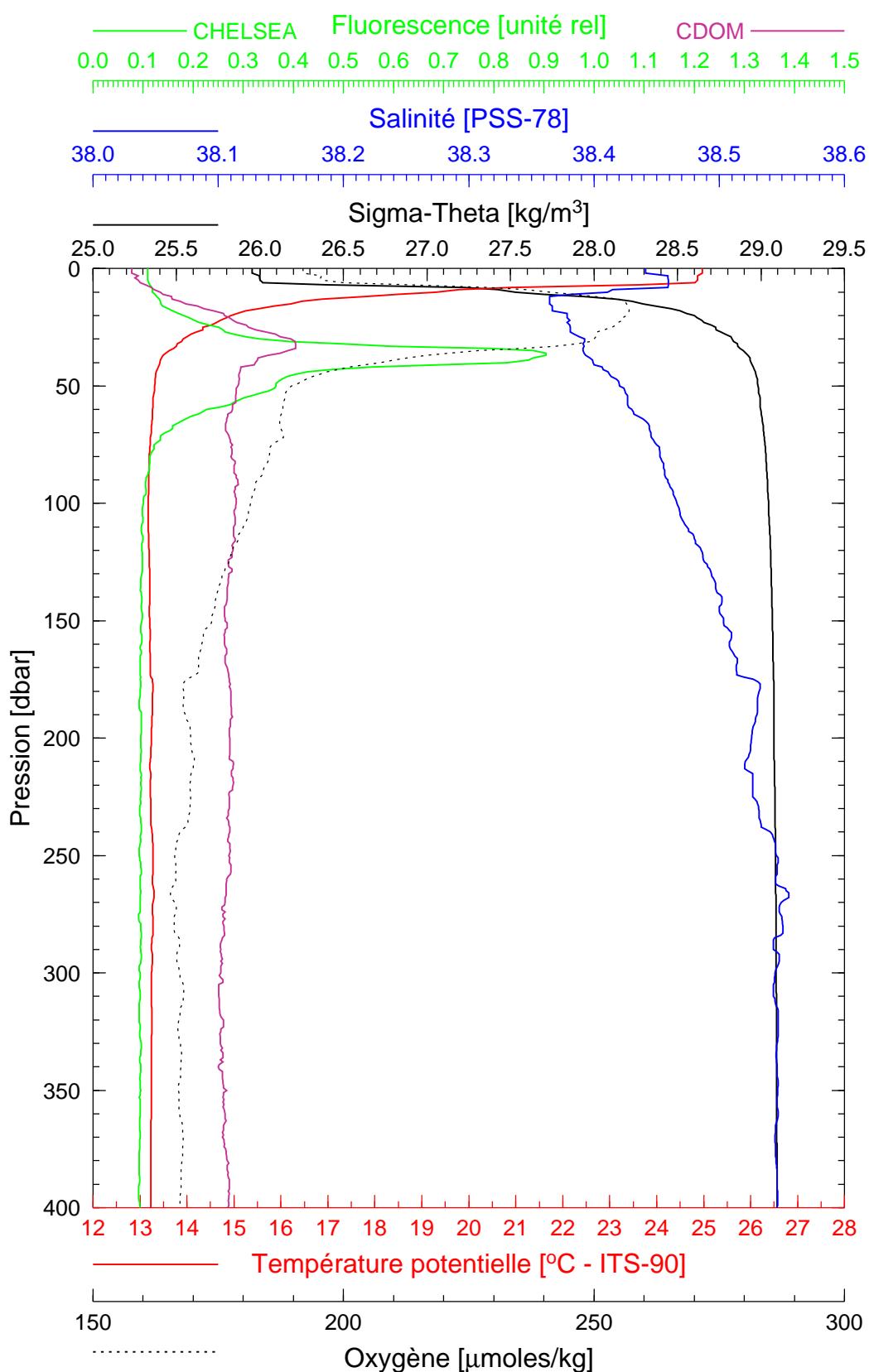
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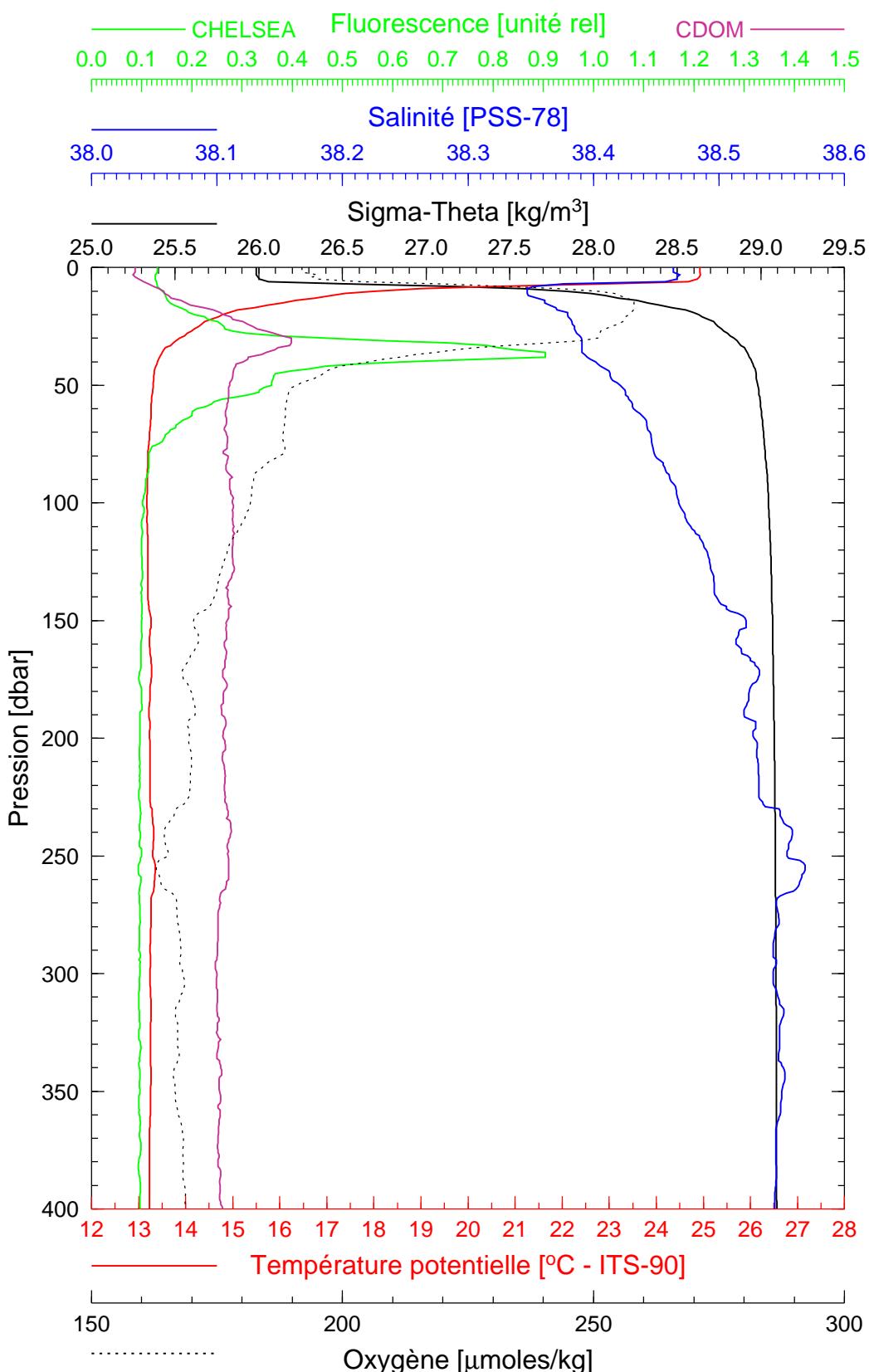
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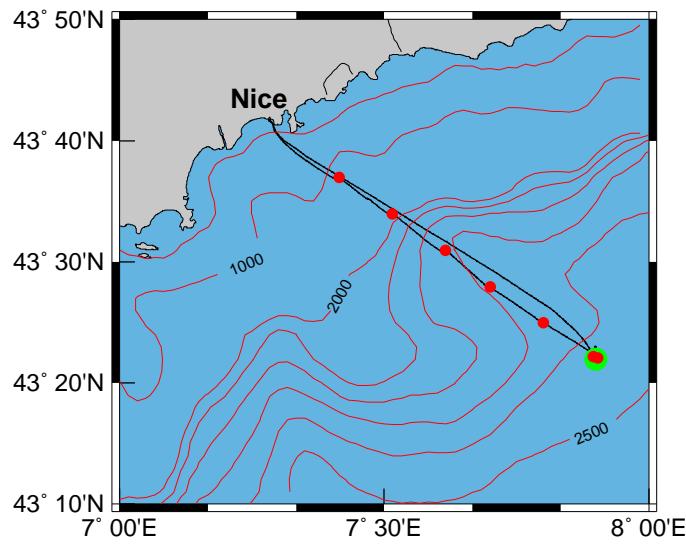
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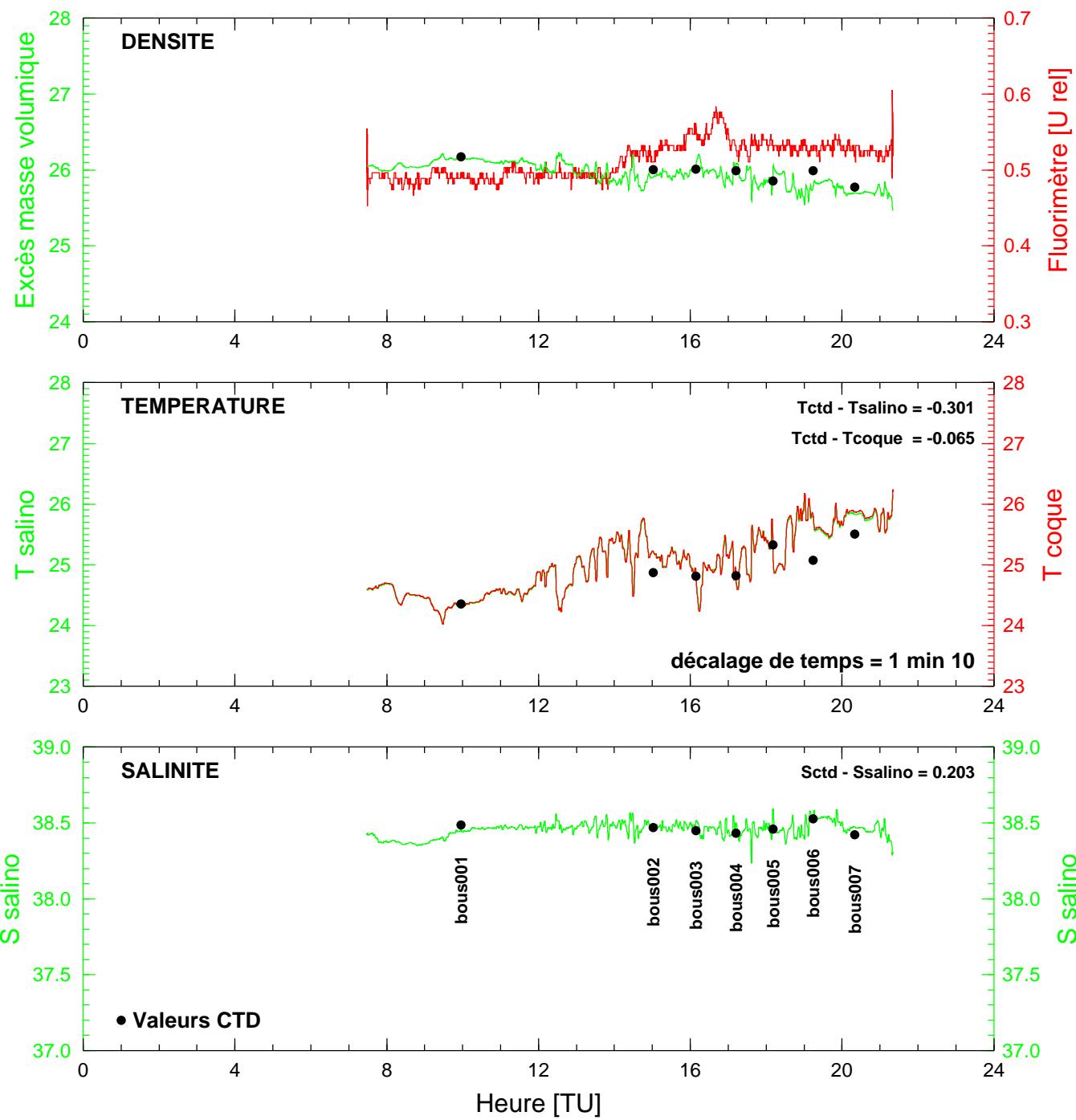
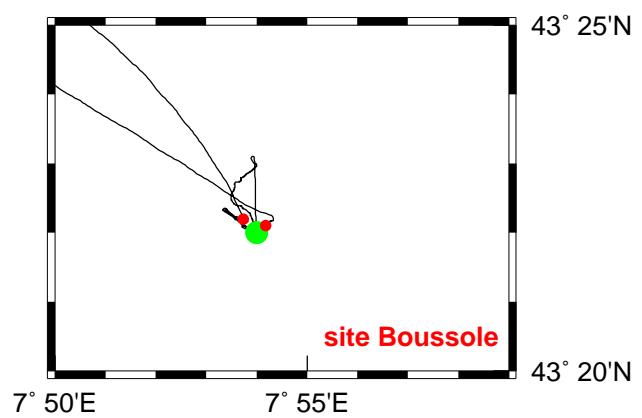


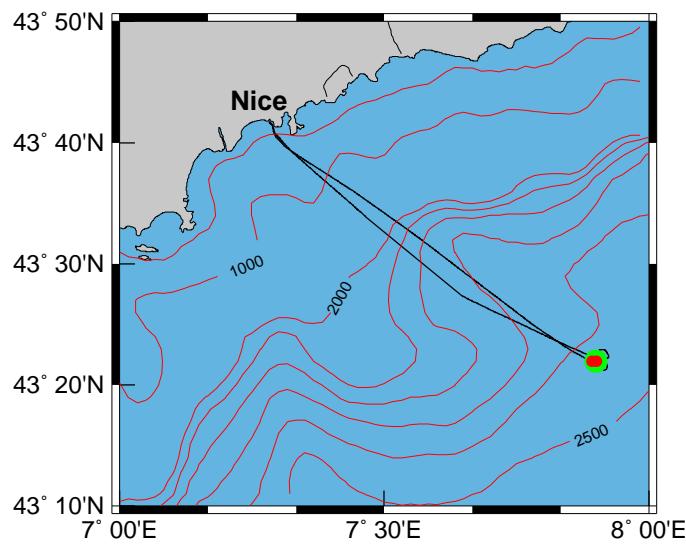
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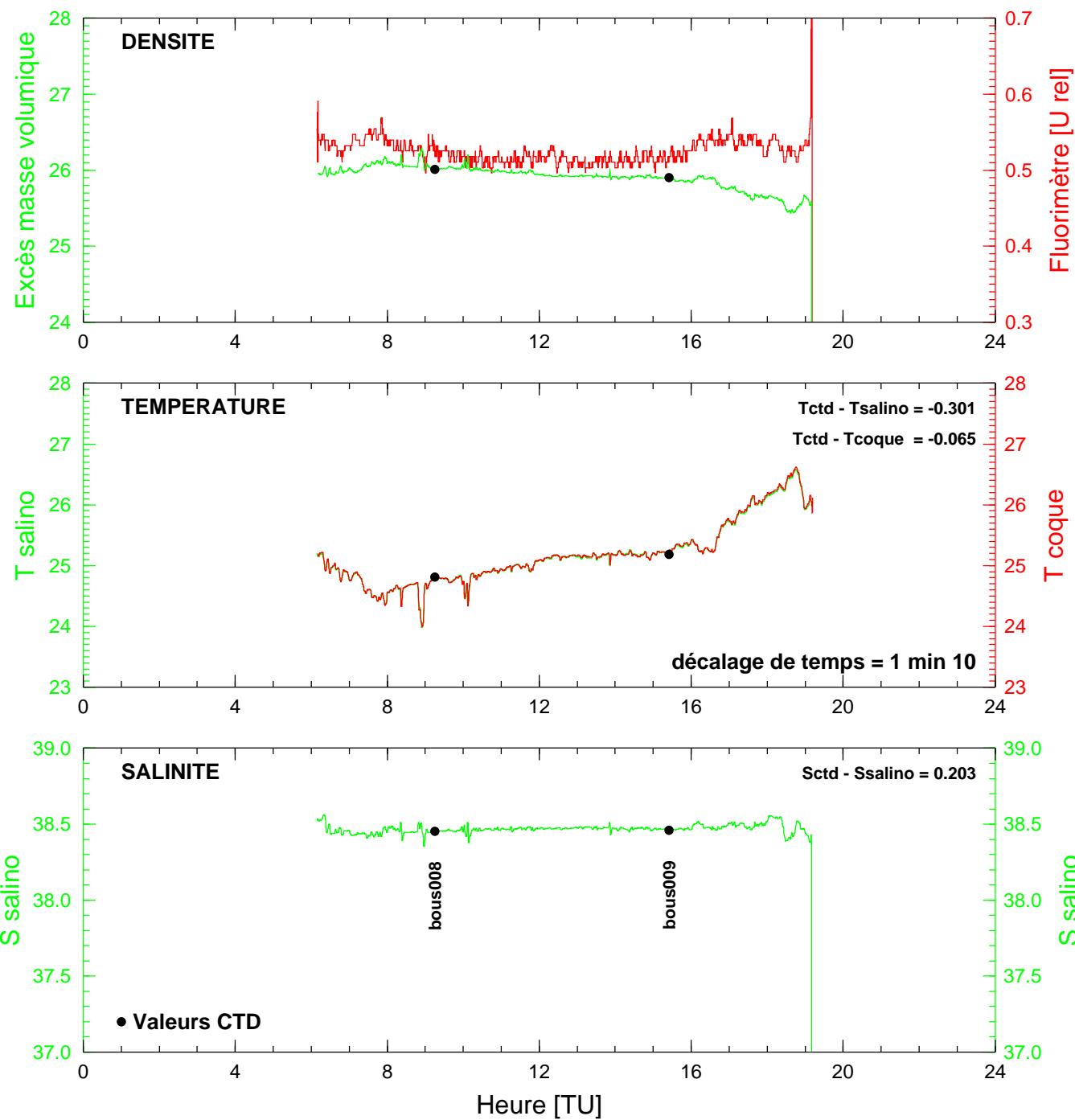
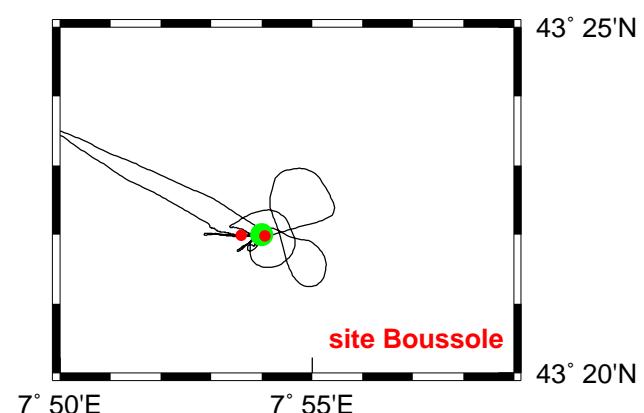


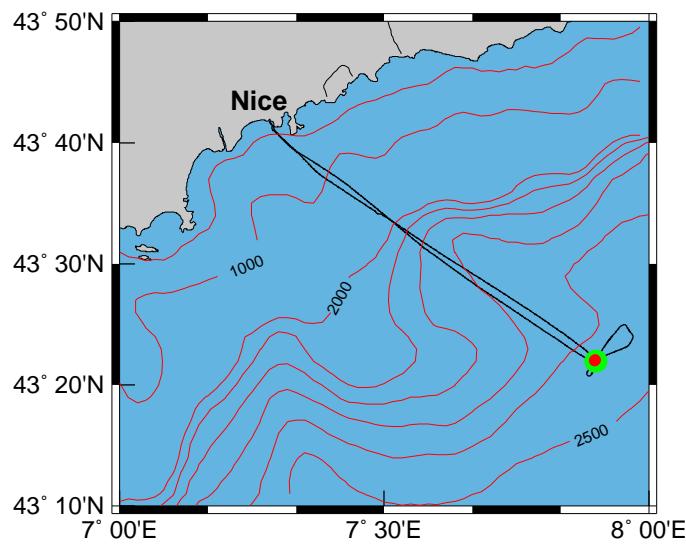
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