

BOUSSOLE Monthly Cruise Report

Cruise 80

Octobre 13 - 16, 2008

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Fig 1. *Tethys II* over the flat sea .

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Cruise Objectives

Routine operations

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 N₂ for HPLC pigment and particle absorption spectrophotometric filter analysis in the lab. Three replicates samples are to be collected at surface for total suspended matter (TSM) weighting in the lab. A gimble 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 six fixed locations on-route from Boussole. The time of day of this transect should be similar for each cruise, if possible to minimise influence of diurnal variability.

For one day of each cruise, three divers will check the underwater state of the buoy structure and instrumentation, take some pictures for archiving, clean the sensor optical surface, and then take again some pictures after cleaning.

For one day of each cruise, 250 ml of sea water will be sampled at 200, 150, 80, 70, 6, 50, 40, 30, 20, 10 and 5 meters depth. For each sample, 125 ml will be filtered through a 0.2 µm GF/F filter and both total and filtered water samples will be analysed with the UltraPath for CDOM absorption determination.

Additional operations

One of the four days a hydrophone for identification of cetaceans will be installed on the buoy from Sophie Laran of the CRC (Marineland).

Cruise Summary

The first three days the sea was almost flat with sky condition varying from cloudy to very moist, instead, the last one a strong wind from south started blowing during the morning and sampling was not possible already at noon. The first day was spent for sampling near the buoy, completing the transect and data retrieval. The other days were spent for sampling at the BOUSSOLE site. The third day was also used for diving on the buoy.

Monday 13 October 2008

This day weather conditions were good calm (H 1/3 < 0.3 m, wind < 5 Kn), but sky was covered. Once on site, a CISCO connection with the buoy was established and data since last cruise was downloaded. Then a CTD, 3 SPMR and 1 Secchi Disk were performed close to the buoy. Samples for HPLC and Ap were also taken. The transect on the way to Nice was completed too.

Tuesday 14 October 2008

The second cruise day weather conditions were again good (H1/3 ~ 0.1 m, wind ~ 5 Kn) with variable sky, still partially covered. 2 CTD, 6 SPMR, and 2 Secchi Disk were performed at the Boussole site. Water sample for HPLC, Ap and TSM were collected.

Wednesday 15 October 2008

This day the sea was almost flat (H1/3 ~ 0.0 m, wind ~ 2 Kn, see Fig. 1) sky was almost blue with high moisture lowering visibility. When on site, divers went at sea for a general inspection of the buoy that was found in good conditions. Then an hydrophone for cetacean was installed along one of the tube under the sphere (at ~ 20 m), and sensors were cleaned. In the meantime, sensor on the buoy head were cleaned too, and contact grease was put on ARGOS connector. 1 CTD casts, 5 SPMR profiles, 1 Secchi Disk and 3 CIMEL were performed at BOUSSOLE; samples for HPLC and Ap were taken.

Thursday 16 October 2008

The last cruise day weather conditions worsened, (H1/3 up to 1.0 m, wind up to 25 Kn) and sky conditions were very variable. 1 CTD, 3 SPMR and 1 Secchi Disk were performed before sampling conditions became critical. Water samples for HPLC, Ap and CDOM were collected.

Cruise Report

Monday 13 October 2008 (UTC)

People on board: Lars-Eric Heimbürger and Vincenzo Vellucci.

0430 Departure from the Nice port.
0700 Arrival at the BOUSSOLE site.
0715 Attempted CISCO connection with the Buoy: successful, retrieved data.
0745 CTD 01 , 400 m with water sampling at 200, 150, 80, 70, 60, 50, 30, 20, 10 and 5 m for HPLC, Ap.
0935 SPMR 01, 02, 03.
1010 Secchi Disk 01.
1100 CTD 02, 400 m, station 01 (43°25'N 07°48'E).
1200 CTD 03, 400 m, station 02 (43°28'N 07°42'E).
1300 CTD 04, 400 m, station 03 (43°31'N 07°37'E).
1405 CTD 05, 400 m, station 04 (43°34'N 07°31'E).
1505 CTD 06, 400 m, station 05 (43°37'N 07°25'E).
1555 CTD 07, 450 m, station 06 (43°39'N 07°21'E).
1700 Arrival at the Nice port.

Tuesday 14 October 2008

People on board: Vincenzo Vellucci.

0545 Departure from the Nice port.
0905 Arrival at the BOUSSOLE site.
0910 CTD 08 , 400 m with water sampling at 200, 150, 80, 70, 60, 50, 30, 20, 10 and 5 m for HPLC, Ap.
0940 Secchi Disk 02.
1030 SPMR 04, 05, 06.
1125 CTD 09 , 400 m with water sampling at 10 and 5 m for HPLC, Ap and TSM.
1200 SPMR 07, 08, 09.
1230 Secchi Disk 03.
1240 Departure to the Nice port.
1600 Arrival at the Nice port.

Wednesday 15 October 2008

People on board: Jean De Vaguelas, Sophie Laran, David Luquet, Vincenzo Vellucci and Luc.

0430 Departure from the Nice port.
0800 Arrival at the BOUSSOLE site.
0815 Divers at sea for buoy inspection and cleaning. ARGOS connector cleaned.
0930 SPMR 10, 11.
1100 CTD 10, 400 m with water sampling at 200, 150, 80, 70, 60, 50, 30, 20, 10 and 5 m for HPLC and Ap.
1135 Secchi Disk 04.
1150 SPMR 12, 13, 14.
1225 CIMEL 01, 02, 03.
1310 Secchi Disk 05.
1315 Departure to the Nice port.
1630 Arrival at the Nice port.

Thursday 16 October 2008

People on board: Céline Bachelier and Vincenzo Vellucci.

0500 Departure from the Nice port.

0830 Arrival at the BOUSSOLE site.

0835 CTD 11, 400 m with water sampling at 200, 150, 80, 70, 60, 50, 30, 20, 10 and 5 m for HPLC, Ap and CDOM.

0900 Secchi Disk 06.

0920 SPMR 15, 16, 17.

1000 Departure to the Nice port.

1400 Arrival at the Nice port

Calculated Swath paths for the MERIS Sensor (ESOV Software)

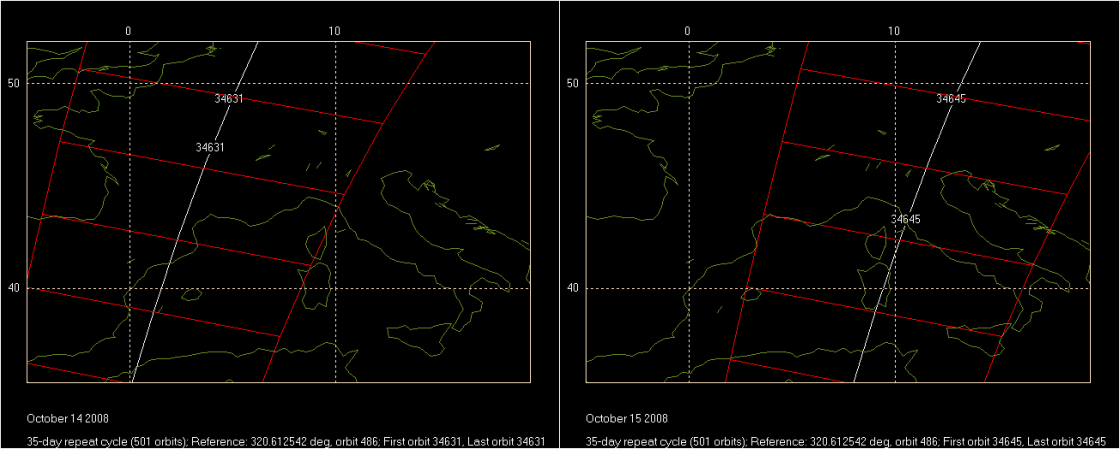


Figure 2. Calculated swath paths for MERIS (Esov software) above BOUSSOLE site for October 14 and 15 2008.

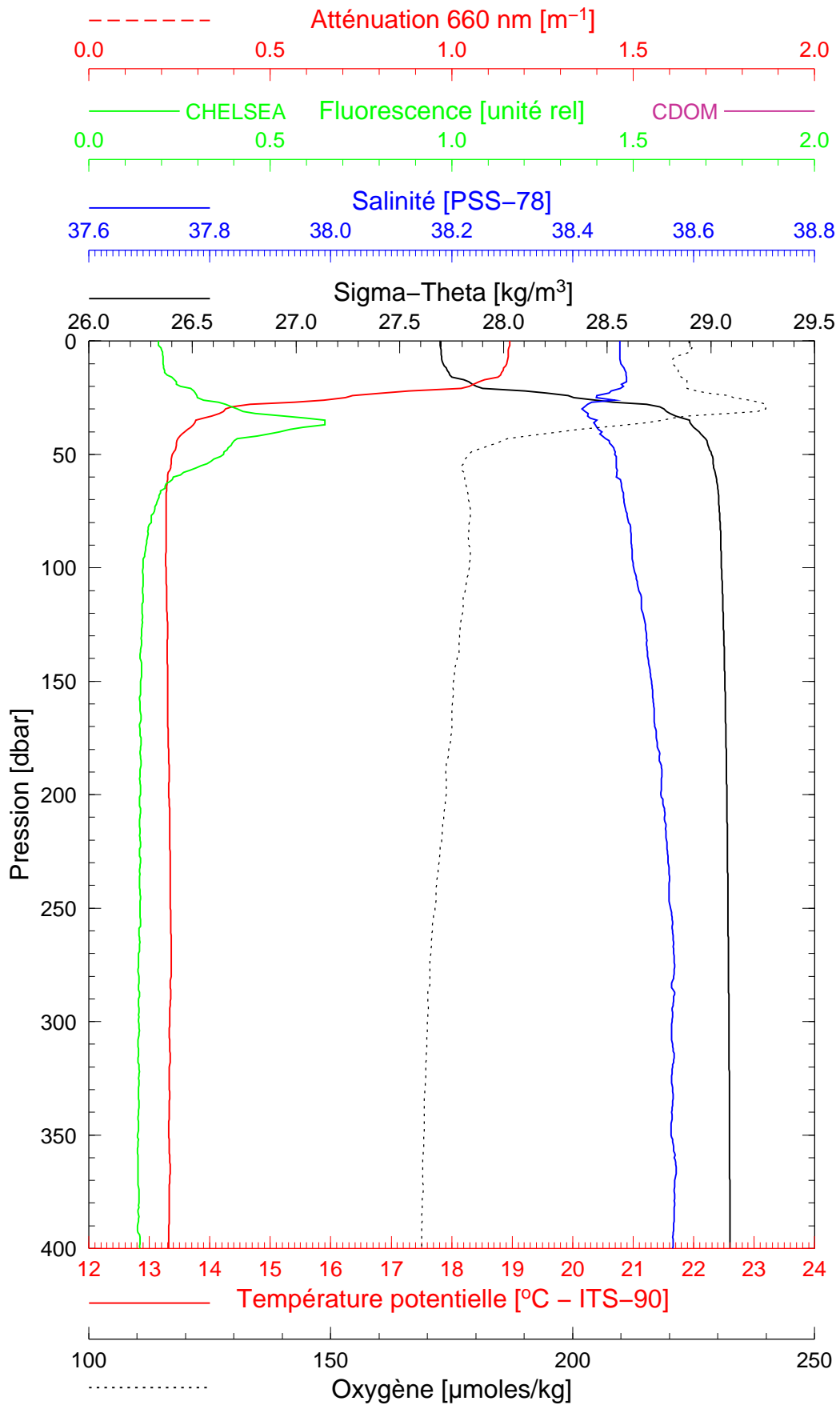
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13/10/2008

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BOUS001



Date 13/10/2008
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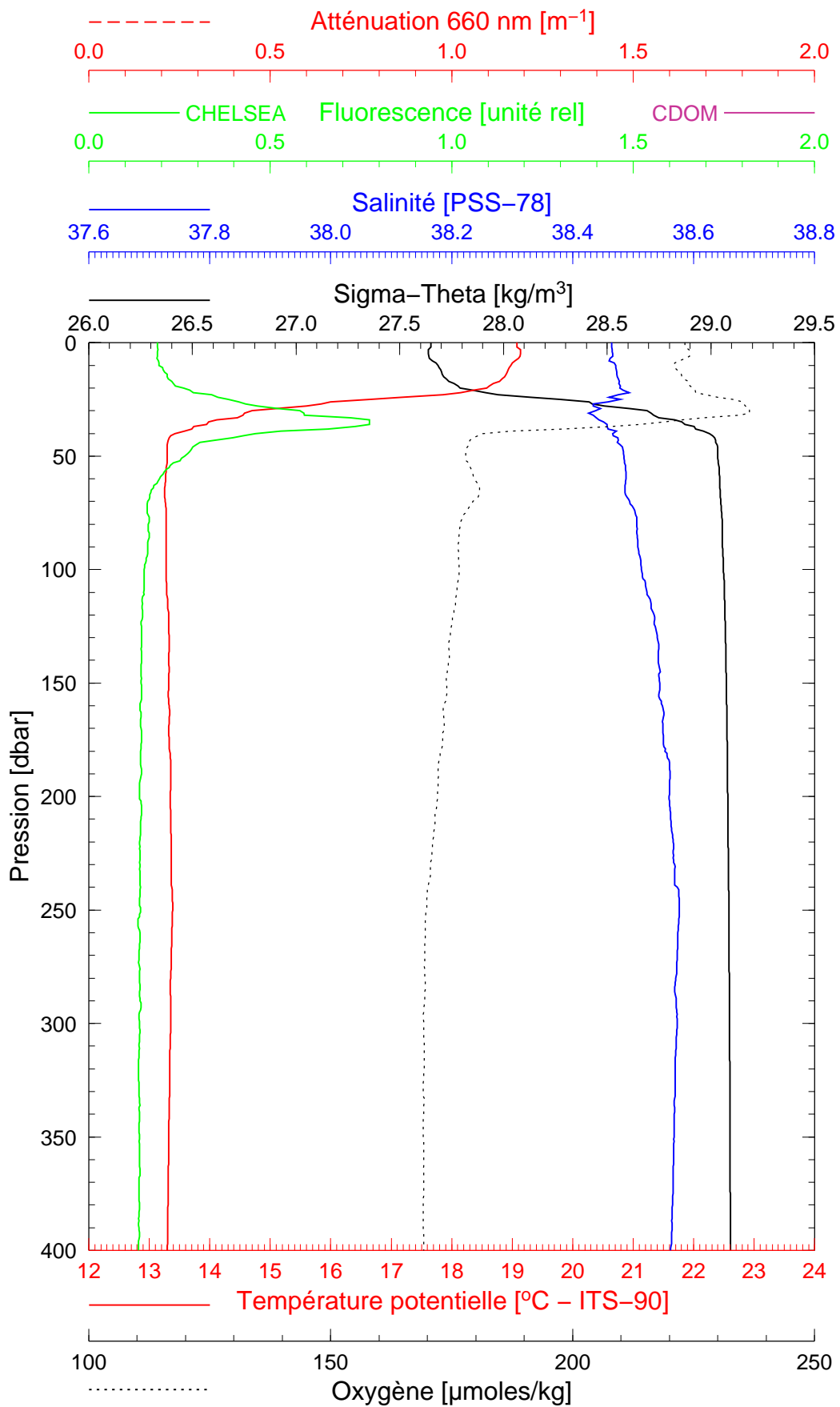
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Boussole 80

13/10/2008

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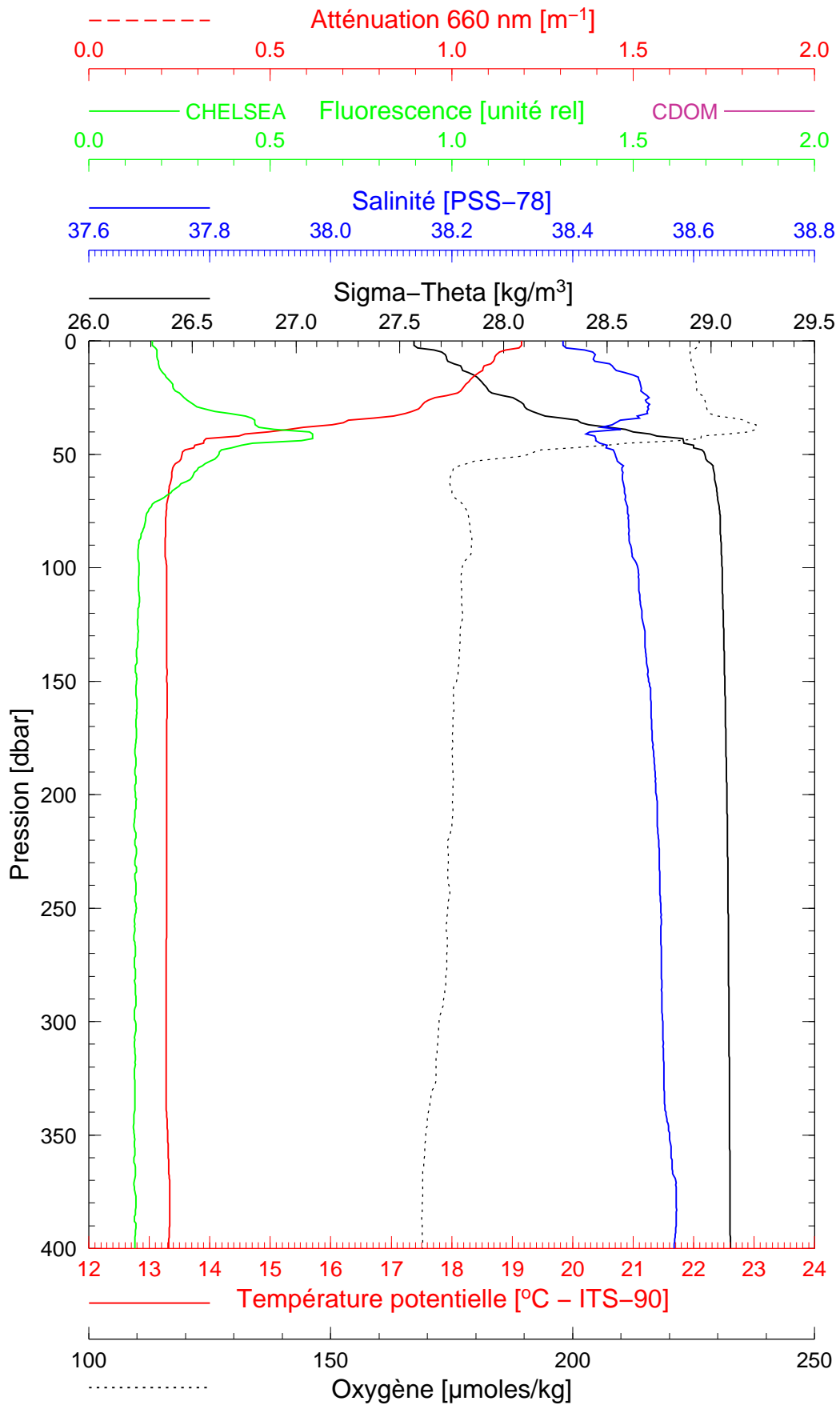
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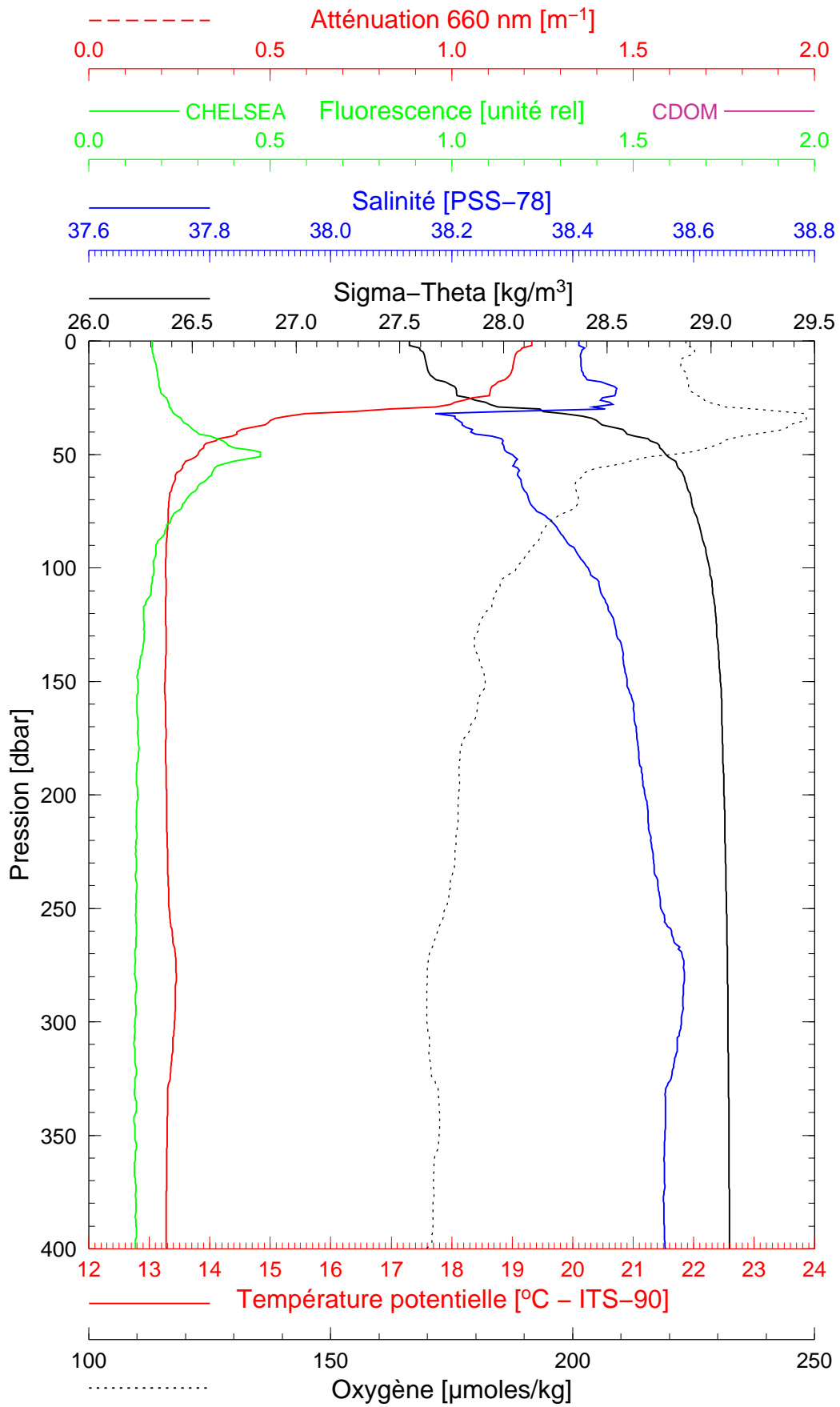
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Date 13/10/2008

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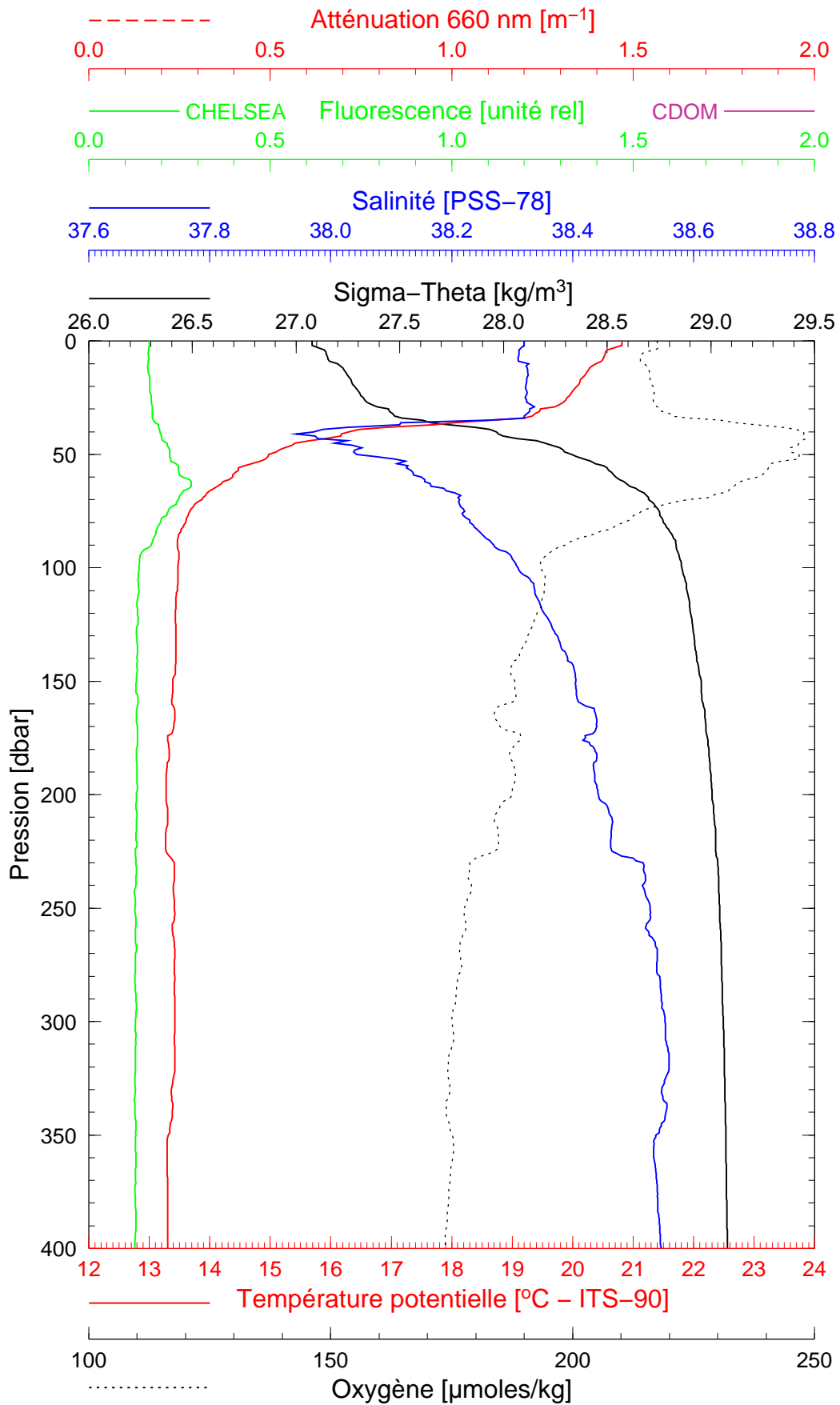
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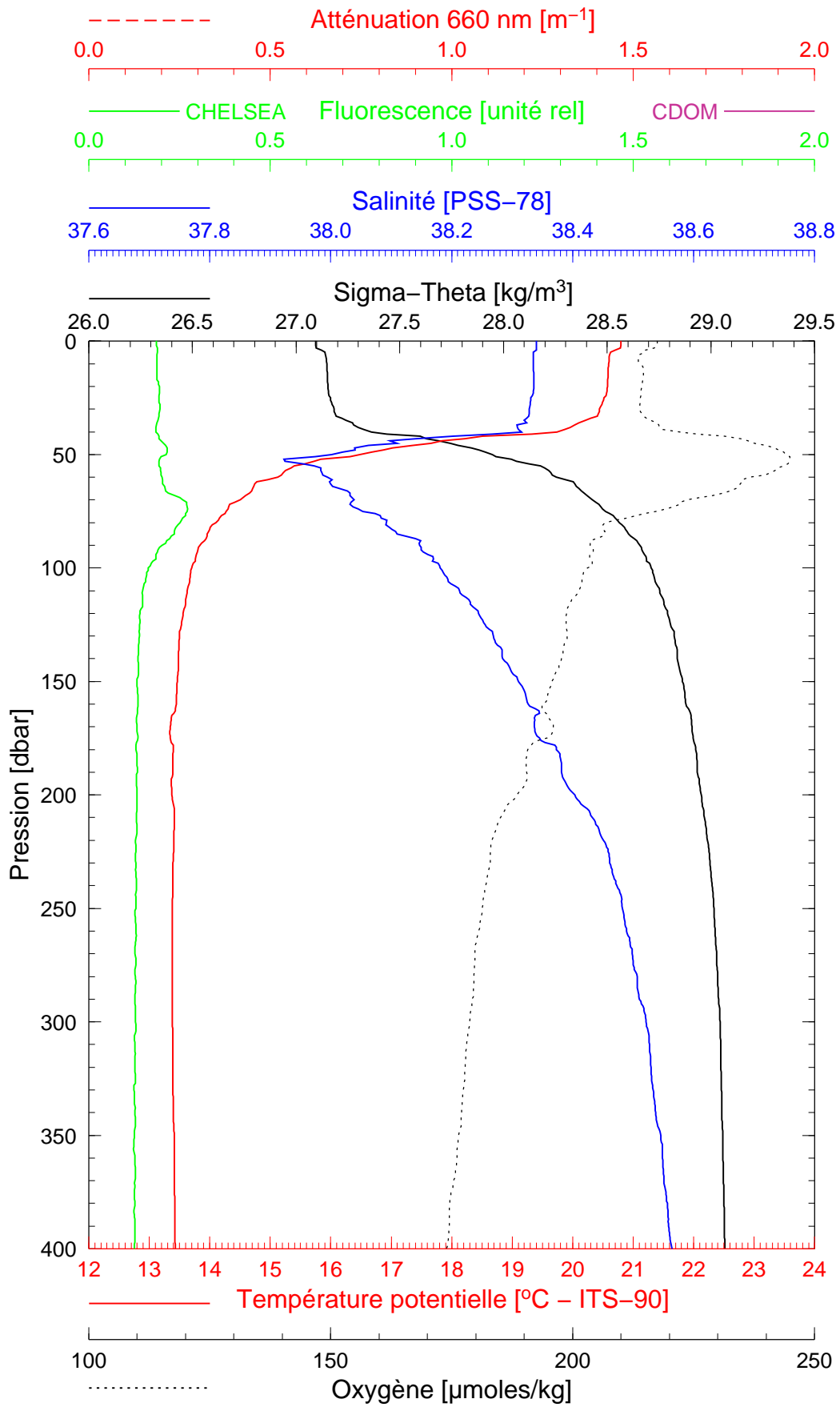
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Boussole 80

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Date 13/10/2008

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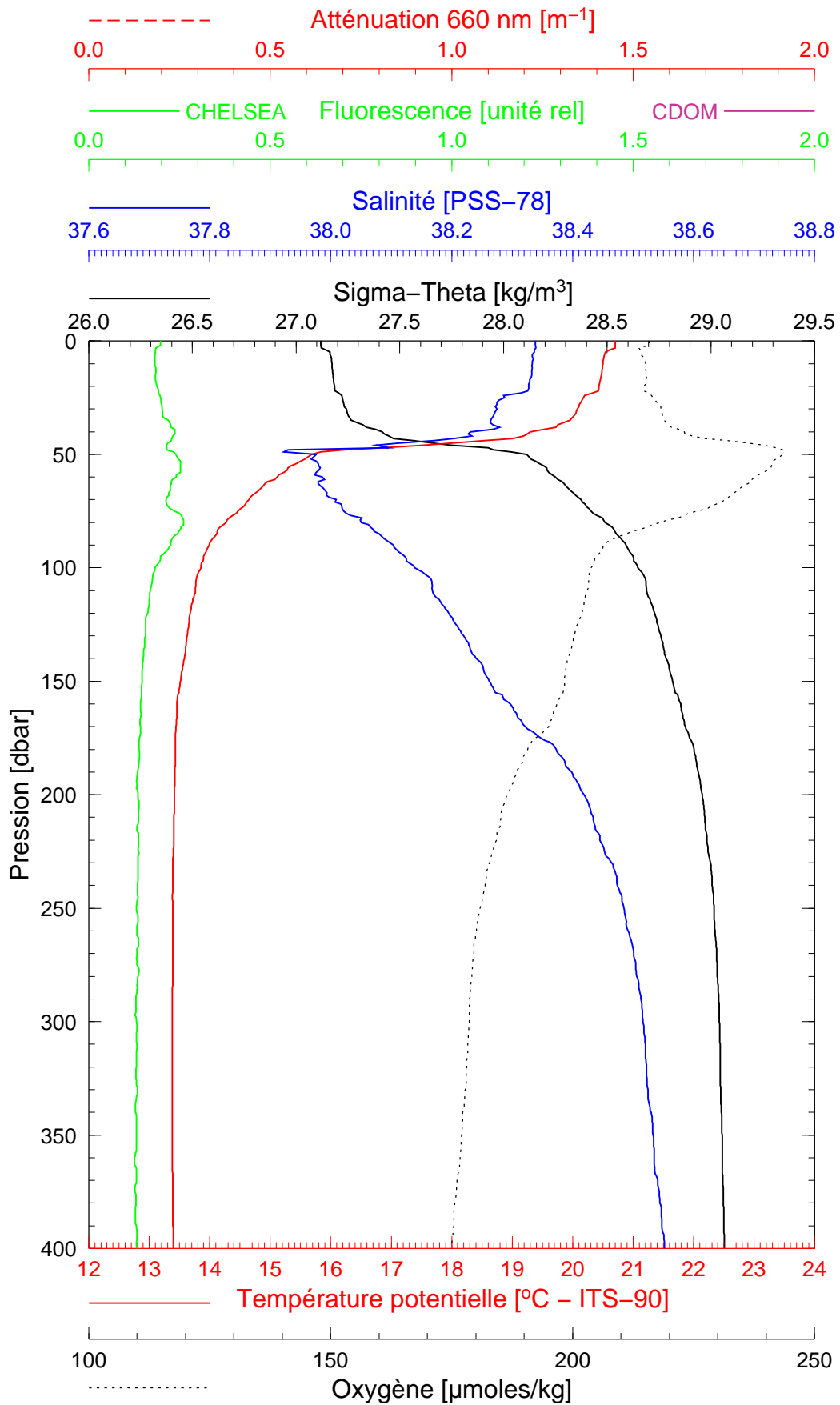
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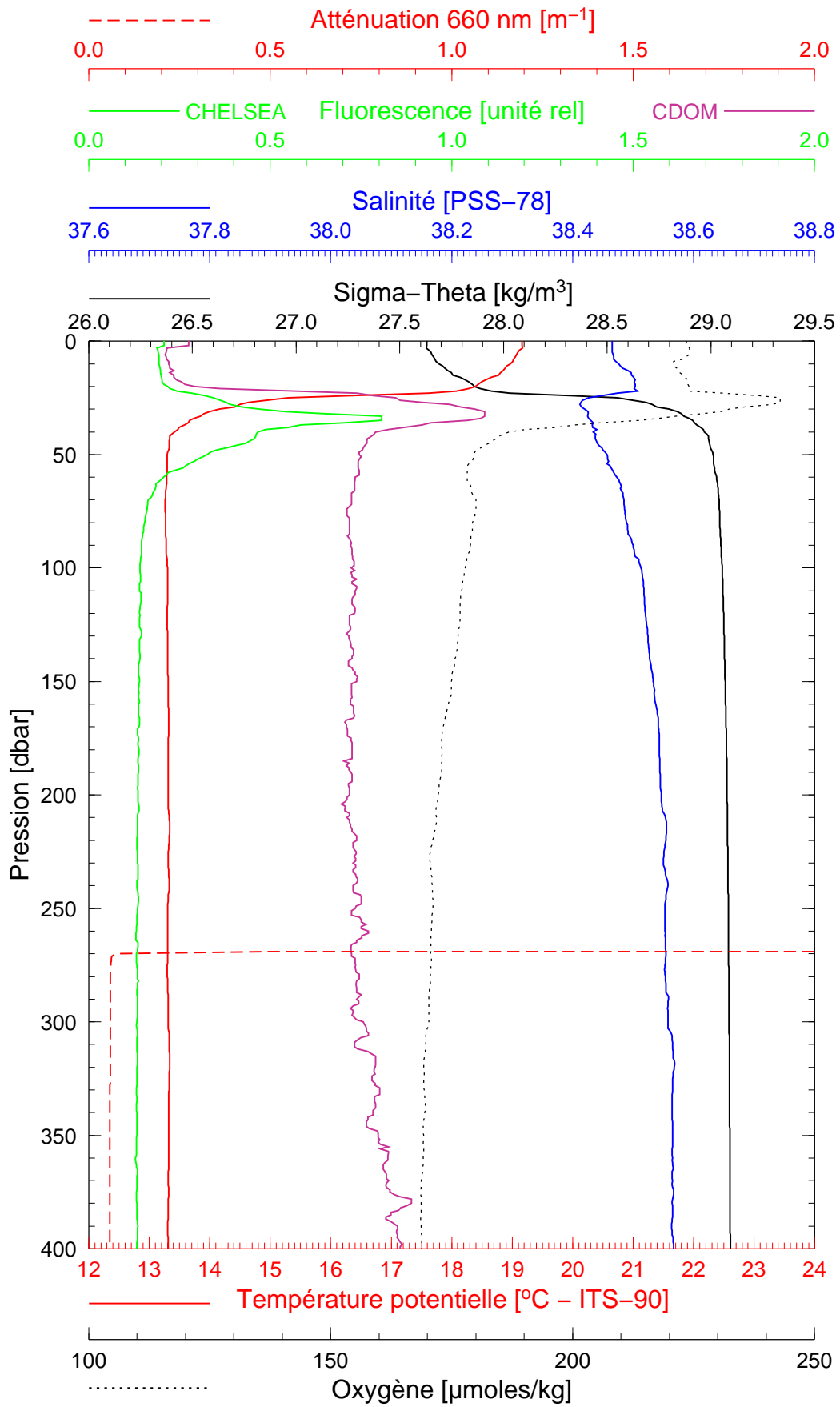
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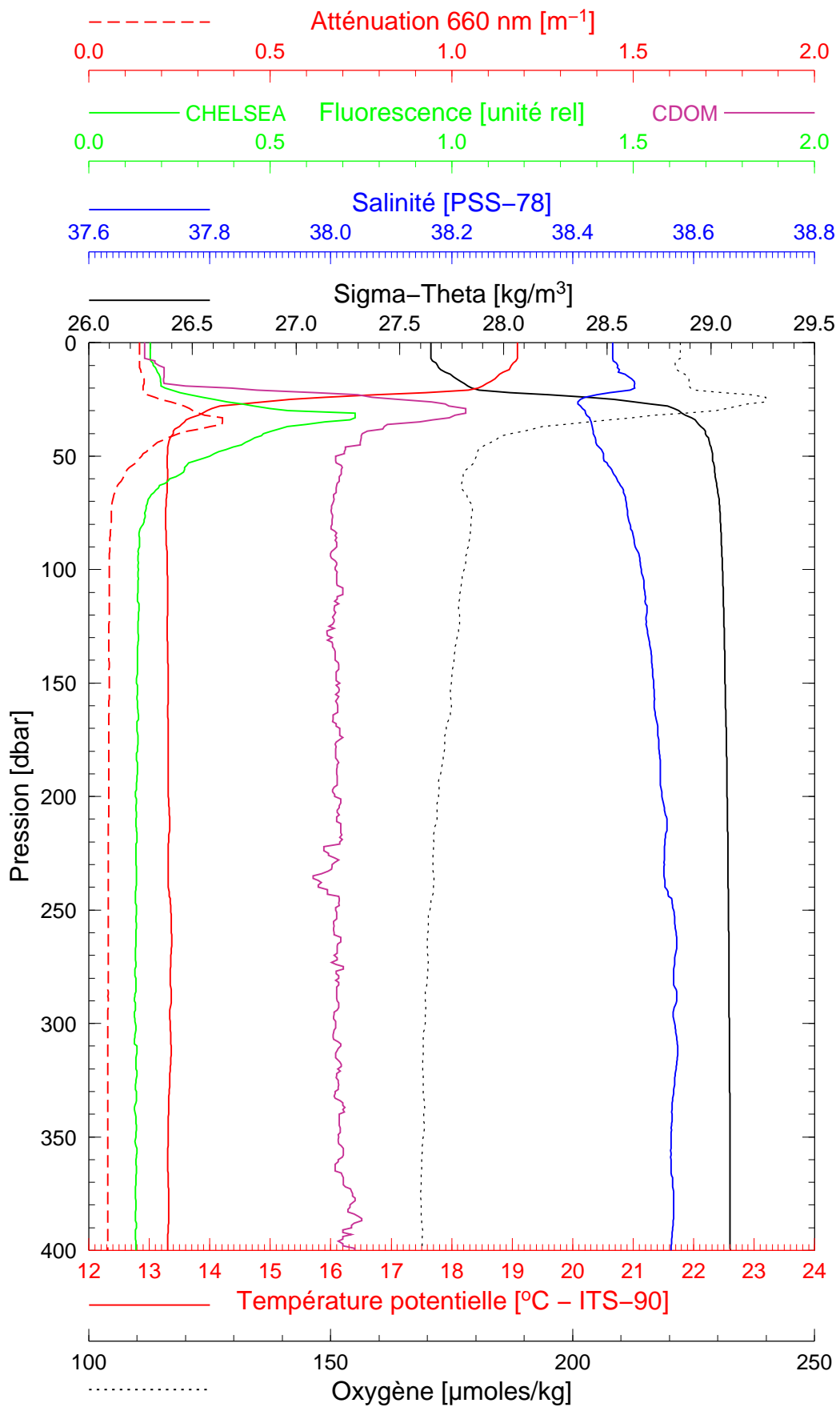
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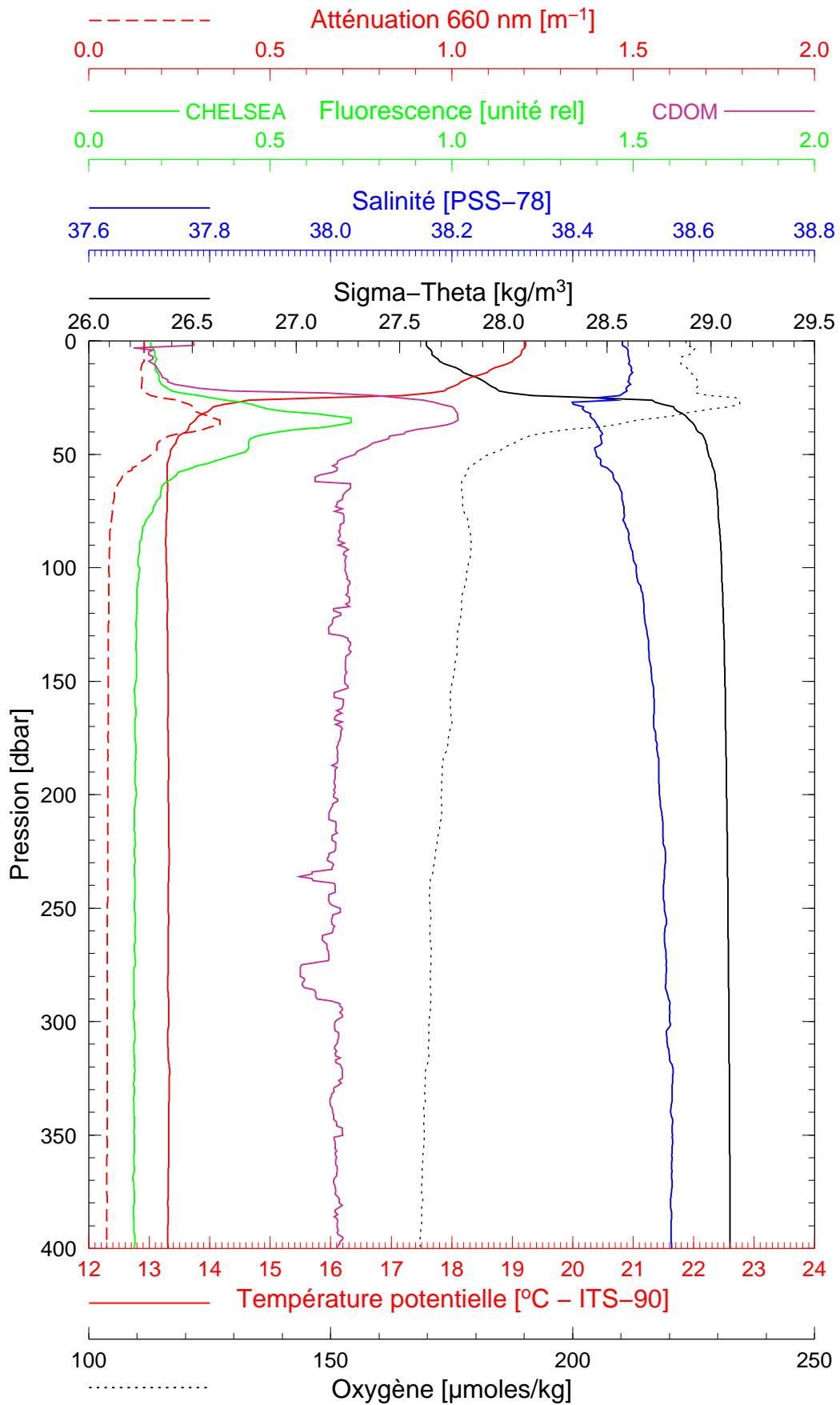
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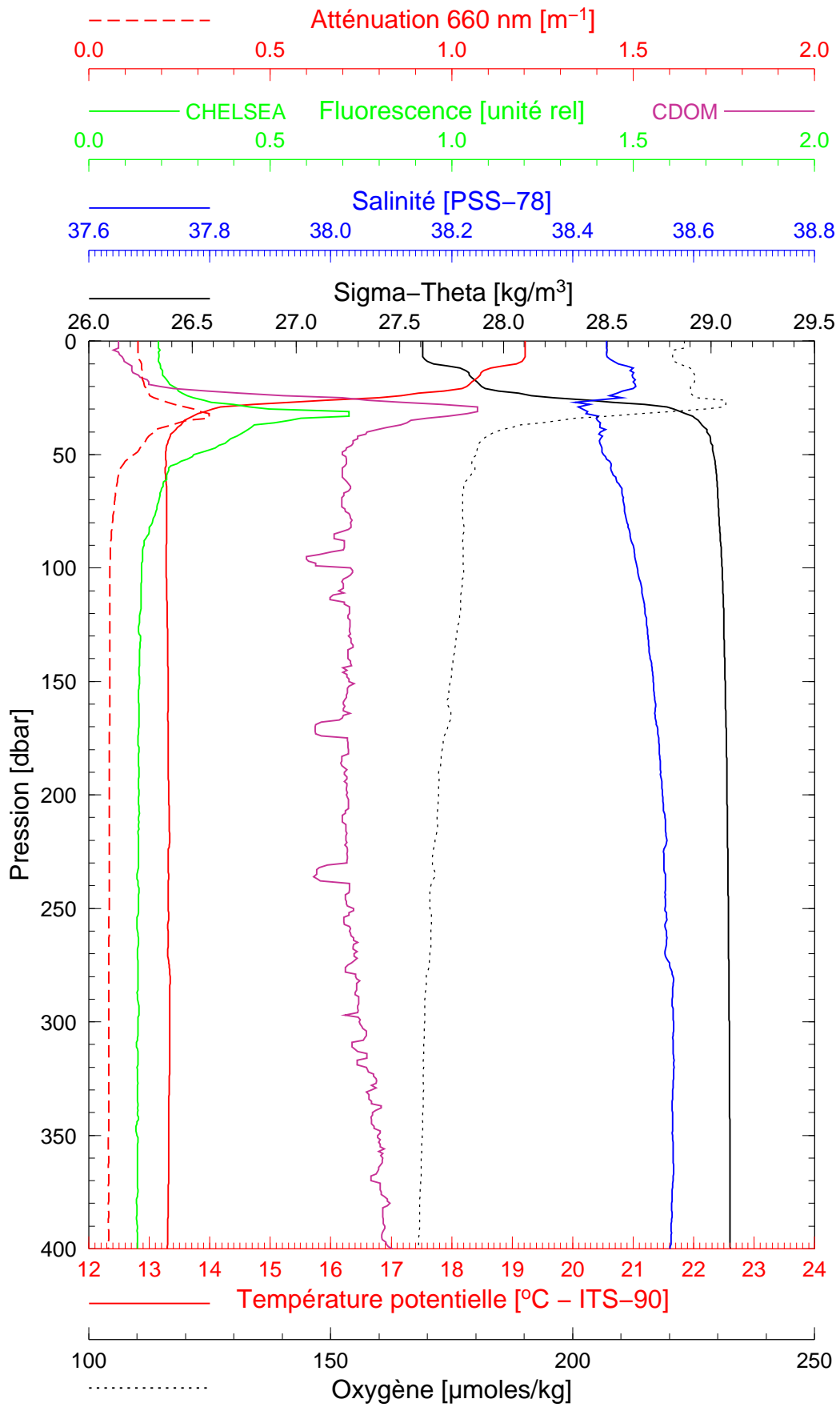
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