BOUSSOLE Monthly Cruise Report

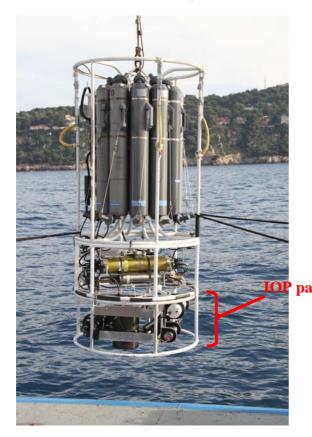
Cruise 118 December 09 - 12, 2011

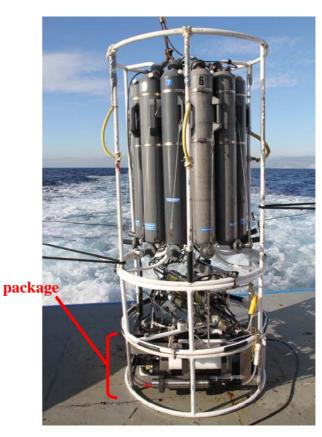
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First deployments of the new HobiLabs bio-optical instruments package with the CTD rosette for the measurement of inherent optical properties of seawater during the BOUSSOLE monthly cruises.

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Cruise Objectives

Routine operations

Multiple Biospherical's C-OPS (Compact Optical Profiling System) radiometric profiles are to occur on 0-150 m at the BOUSSOLE site within about 3 hours of satellite overhead passes (of MERIS in particular) 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 C-OPS 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. CTD deployments are required at the start and the end of the C-OPS 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, AC9 (from July 2002) and Eco-BB3 (from June 2003), seawater samples are to be collected, filtered and stored into liquid nitrogen 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 weighting in the lab. From December 2011, hyperspectral absorption measurements are to be performed during the CTD deployments using a new "IOP package" including a Hobilabs hyperspectral absorption-meter (a-sphere), a backscattering meter (Hydroscat-6) and a spectral transmissometer (Gamma-4).

For one day of each cruise, in addition to a depth profile from the CTD, seawater samples are to be collected and filtered for colored dissolved organic matter (from June 2005) and particulate organic carbon (from October 2011) analysis in the lab. Small quantities of seawater are to be fixed with glutaraldehyde for cytometric analysis (from December 2011).

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 (see map in appendix). The time of the day of this transect should be similar for each cruise, if possible to minimise the 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 surfaces, and then take again some pictures after cleaning. Divers will also put a neoprene cap on the HS4 and on the transmissometers for acquiring three dark measurements (started in April 2009).

Further details about these operations and the protocols are to be found in:

Antoine, D. M. Chami, H. Claustre, F. D'Ortenzio, A. Morel, G. Bécu, B. Gentili, F. Louis, J. Ras, E. Roussier, A.J. Scott, D. Tailliez, S. B. Hooker, P. Guevel, J.-F. Desté, C. Dempsey and D. Adams. 2006, BOUSSOLE: a joint CNRS-INSU, ESA, CNES and NASA Ocean Color Calibration And Validation Activity. NASA Technical memorandum N° 2006 - 214147, 61 pp.

(http://www.obs-vlfr.fr/Boussole/html/publications/pubs/BOUSSOLE_TM_214147.pdf)

Additional operations

During this cruise, new measurements were put in place for the BIOCAREX project:

- the new bio-optical instruments package was deployed with the CTD rosette for the measurement of inherent optical properties of seawater during CTD casts. This new "IOP package" includes a Hobilabs hyperspectral absorption-meter (a-sphere), a backscattering meter (Hydroscat-6), a spectral transmissometer (Gamma-4) and the necessary ancillary sensors (temperature, salinity, pressure, Chl fluorescence) with a data acquisition system;
- seawater samples were collected and fixed with glutaraldehyde for cytometric analysis.

Cruise Summary

The first two days, weather conditions were not optimal and prevented work at the BOUSSOLE site the first day but this day was however used for testing the CTD rosette with the new IOP package in the front of the Villefranche-sur-mer Bay. The second day was used for performing the CTD transect. The third day was used for diving operations, optical profiles and a CTD cast with water sampling at the BOUSSOLE site and for completing the transect. The last day, the bad weather prevented the departure from the Nice harbour.

Friday 09 December 2011

The first day, the sea state prevented works on the BOUSSOLE site (H1/3 1.5 to 2m). This day was nevertheless used for testing the CTD rosette with the new IOP package in the front of the Villefranche-sur-mer Bay.

Saturday 10 December 2011

The second day, the sky was overcast and the weather conditions were not optimal on large but the sea slaked off gradually during the day (H1/3 1.7 to 1m at the BOUSSOLE site). The CTD transect was performed but from the coast to the BOUSSOLE site. At the station 01, the swell was still too high to perform a CTD cast.

Sunday 11 December 2011

The third day, the sea was smooth with a light breeze and the sky was overcast. When arrived at the BOUSSOLE site, divers went at sea to clean buoy instruments. They also changed 3 corroded collar zinc anodes above the buoy sphere. In parallel to diving operations, one of the two broken solar panels on the top of the buoy was changed. Then, 1 Secchi disk, 4 C-OPS profiles and 1 CTD cast with water sampling were performed. Before leaving, sensors and ARGOS and CISCO connectors on the top of the buoy were cleaned and a direct connection with the buoy was established for data retrieval. Then the CTD transect was completed.

Monday 12 December 2011

Bad weather prevented departure from the Nice harbour.

Cruise Report

Friday 09 December 2011 (UTC)

People on board: Emilie Diamond and Grigor Obolensky.

- 0950 Departure from the Nice harbour.
- 1015 Arrival in the front of the Villefranche Bay.
- 1040 CTD test001, 120 m for testing the IOP package.
- 1100 Lunch.
- 1240 CTD test002, 400 m for testing the IOP package.
- 1325 CTD test003, 400 m for testing the IOP package.
- 1805 Departure to the Nice harbour.
- 1835 Arrival at the Nice harbour.

Saturday 10 December 2011 (UTC)

People on board: Emilie Diamond and Grigor Obolensky.

- 0900 Departure from the Nice harbour.
- 0930 Arrival at the nearest transect station.
- 0950 CTD 01, 400 m, station 06 (43°39'N 07°21'E).
- 1040 CTD 02, 400 m, station 05 (43°37'N 07°25'E).
- 1150 CTD 03, 400 m, station 04 (43°34'N 07°31'E).
- 1255 CTD 04, 400 m, station 03 (43°31'N 07°37'E).
- 1405 CTD 05, 400 m, station 02 (43°28'N 07°42'E).
- No CTD at the station 01: greater swell.
- 1555 Arrival at the BOUSSOLE site.
- 1605 CTD 06, 400 m.
- 1640 Departure to the first transect station.
- 1710 No CTD at the station 01: greater swell.
- 1720 Departure to the Nice harbour.
- 2015 Arrival at the Nice harbour.

Sunday 11 December 2011 (UTC)

People on board: Emilie Diamond, Grigor Obolensky, Vincenzo Vellucci and 2 divers.

- 0530 Departure from the Nice harbour.
- 0850 Arrival at the BOUSSOLE site.
- 0900 Diving on the buoy for cleaning instruments and changing 3 corroded collar anodes.
- 0910 Changing of one of the two broken solar panels on the top of the buoy.
- 1000 Secchi disk 01 (24 m).
- 1040 C-OPS balance tests.
- 1100 C-OPS 01, 02, 03, 04.
- 1210 CTD 07, 400 m with water sampling at 400, 200, 80, 70, 60, 50, 40, 30, 20, 10 and 5 m for HPLC, a_p, POC, CDOM and cytometry.
- 1300 Bucket at surface for TSM.
- 1340 Cleaning of sensors and ARGOS and CISCO connectors on the head of the buoy
- Direct connection with the buoy and data retrieval.
- 1420 Departure to the first transect station.
- 1450 CTD 08, 400 m, station 01 (43°25'N 07°48'E).
- 1525 Departure to the Nice harbour.
- 1810 Arrival at the Nice harbour.

Monday 12 December 2011

Bad weather prevented departure from the Nice harbour.

Problems identified during the cruise

- The first two days, weather conditions were not optimal and prevented from working at the BOUSSOLE site the first day and finishing the CTD transect the second day.
- The last day, the bad weather prevented the departure from the Nice harbour.
- Just before the cruise, the CTD connector plugged with the O_2 sensor was broken, so this sensor was connected on channel 7 instead of channel 4. The connector was repaired after the cruise.

Calculated Swath paths for the MERIS Sensor (Esov NG Software)

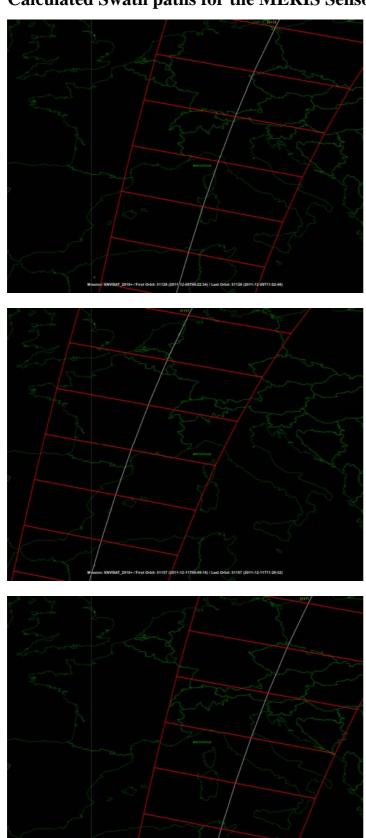


Figure 1. Calculated swath path for MERIS (Esov NG software) above the BOUSSOLE site for the 09^{th} , 11^{th} and 12^{th} of December 2011.



Date	Black names	Profile names	CTD notées /	Other sensors	Start Time	Duration	Depth max	Latitude (N)		longitude			$\overline{}$	Weathe	Weather	$\overline{}$							Sea		
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09/12/11			CTDtest001		10:41	10:00	120	43	40.955	7	18.833	hazy		7	11	262	1021	57		12.6	17.4	calm			no
			CTDtest002		12:43	21:00	400	43	40.000	7	18.796	hazy		7	5	224	1019	56		14.5	17.6	calm			no
			CTDtest003		13:28	36:00	400	43	39.659	7	18.745	hazy		7	10	292	1019	58		13.8	17.6	calm			no
10/12/11			CTDBOUS001		09:55	23:00	400	43	39:096	7	21.425	overcast		6	3	262	1017	59		13.2	17.5	calm			no
			CTDBOUS002		10:46	28:00	400	43	36.921	7	25.068	overcast		6	7	292	1017	64		12.6	17.5	calm			no
			CTDBOUS003		11:51	31:00	400	43	34.002	7	30.844	overcast		6	12	278	1016	64		13.9	17.4	calm			few
			CTDBOUS004		12:58	32:00	400	43	30.964	7	36.955	overcast		5	6	121	1016	65		14.3	17.1	moved			few
			CTDBOUS005		14:07	30:00	400	43	27.810	7	41.756	overcast		5	16	104	1015	68		15.4	16.9	moved			yes
			CTDBOUS006		16:08	31:00	400	43	22.160	7	53.962	night		8	12	90	1016	78		15.4	15.7	moved			yes
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				Bucket: TSM	13:00	2:00	surface	43	22	7	54	overcast		8	1	22	1017	77		15.1		calm			no
			CTDBOUS008		14:53	29:00	400	43	24.954	7	47.816	overcast		7	3	273	1017	77		14.9	16.3	calm			no
12/11/11											Bad	weather		•		•									

