

BOUSSOLE Monthly Cruise Report

Cruise 22

May 27 – 29, 2003

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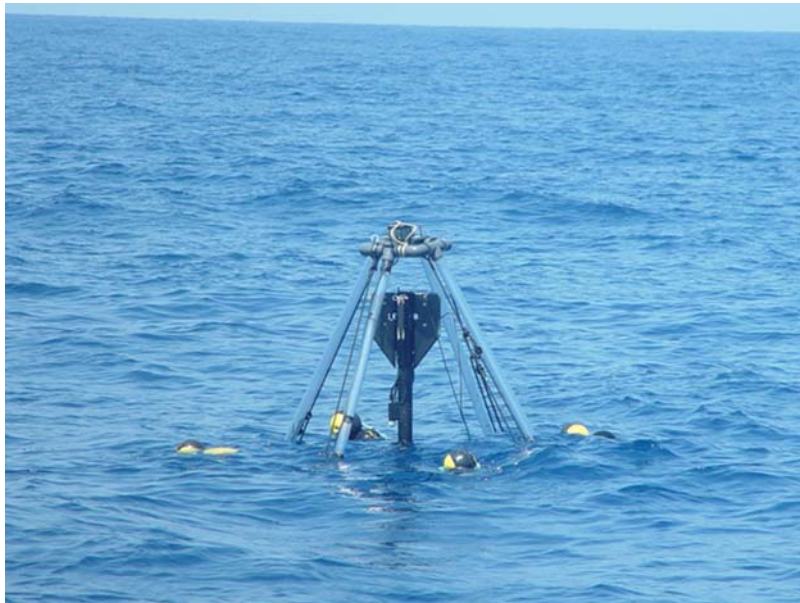


Fig 1. SPMR surface float with electric release mechanism.

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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 SeaWiFS and MERIS and around solar noon. Optimal conditions: Clear blue skies and flat, calm sea surface. SIMBADA measurements are to be performed consecutively where possible with SPMR if conditions are suitably good. If sea conditions are poor but sky is good, SIMBADA data will be collected and used only to measure atmospheric optical thickness. A floating platform is to be used to support the SPMR Eu sensor approximately 20cm below the surface for several minutes 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. This data will later be compared with the near-surface extrapolation methods used in processing. CTD deployments are required before and after the SPMR profiling day. In addition to the depth profile from the CTD, CDOM fluorometer, Chl fluorometer and AC9, seawater samples are to be collected and stored in LN2 for further HPLC pigment and AP analysis in the lab. A gimbal PAR sensor positioned on the foredeck and operated from the CTD computer serves as a light field stability indicator during SPMR profiling.

An additional feature intended to be continued for all Boussole cruises is a ctd transect between the boussole site and the Port of Nice. This transect consists of four fixed locations on route from Boussole and with the last two station positions to be decided on each cruise in order to sample on each side of the main ocean front. The time of day of this transect should be similar for each cruise, if possible.

Students Guillaume Lecomte and Guillaume Peraldi will participate in the cruise in order to carry out two profiles to 1000m with a bathyphotometer, for the measurement of bioluminescence.

Cruise Summary:

Despite overcast and rainy conditions on the first day, which cleared by the first evening into very clear skies for the remainder of the cruise, the sea state remained very good for all three days. Sea conditions on Tuesday 27th, and uniformly overcast skies allowed good conditions for SPMR surface buoy data collection specifically for the surface extrapolation model comparisons. One session of profiles with the buoy followed a session of normal SPMR profiling at the Boussole Site. A 1000m profile was then performed with the bathyphotometer before starting the transect to Nice in the evening. During this time, the two students discovered a problem with the bathyphotometer data, suggestive of a main pump malfunction. The transect went well although we failed to monitor the inline temperature and salinity during the outward journey in the morning to ascertain the exact position of the front. Hence, constant monitoring of the T and S display was necessary from the fourth station onwards. The front appeared to have been crossed before station 5 so station 6 was deviated slightly off the transect line to cross perpendicular to the front. The time spent at Boussole had to be curtailed slightly because of a request by the captain to allow adequate rest time for the crew. However, considering the overcast conditions, objectives for the day were achieved.

Wednesday 28th provided flat seas and fairly clear skies; good conditions for optics work. A steady day of SPMR profiling and surface buoy provided a good spread of data throughout the day and a good possibility of a matchup with the 1200 UTC SeaWiFS pass. The original program remained virtually unchanged for the day's activities. After several hours of the students working on the problem with the bathyphotometer, a broken wire was identified as the fault and rectified. A successful profile to 1000m was achieved in the afternoon. After the optics objectives were achieved, the ship headed to Nice to allow Guillaume Peraldi to disembark. Guillaume Lecomte stayed aboard to do another profile and help further with the optics work. Gerald, the deckhand, came up with a good system for hauling the SPMR using the capstan.

Thursday 29th consisted of glassy sea conditions and clear skies for most of the day; a very good day for optics so a heavy work load of SPMR profiles and SPMR floats was scheduled. Conditions seemed very good for both the 0918 UTC Meris and 1110 and 1248 UTC SeaWiFS matchups. For the Meris pass, an additional CTD profile to 100m collected 5 and 10m chlorophylls. Cloud cover increased and

sky conditions deteriorated towards late afternoon but only after our objectives were achieved. There was also some pressure from the captain to get the ship back to Nice to allow their transit to Marseille.

Guillaume Lecomte and Guillaume Peraldi performed all the Simbada measurements on the cruise, allowing an extensive Simbada data set for the final two days. The crew were worked hard on this cruise in order for us to capitalise on, what has of late been a rarity, good weather. However, regular cruises with a similar work load could prove problematic, in terms of crew co-operation.

After the cruise it became apparent that the CTD water collections were only taken from 5 and 10 m rather than there being sampling down to 200m.

Cruise Report (all times in GMT)

Tuesday 27th May 2003

0600 Depart Port of Nice.

0915 Arrival at Boussole Site (43°22'N 7°54'E).

1020 CTD Boussole 1. Max 400m. Bottle depths (m): 10, 5.

1050 CTD on deck.

1120 SPMR deployed

1148 SPMR on deck (4 profiles)

1200 SPMR surface float deployed

1235 SPMR surface float recovered (2 profiles)

1245 Bathyphotometer Deployed. Max 1000m.

1320 Bathyphotometer Recovered

1325 CTD Boussole 2. Max 400m. Bottle depths (m): 10, 5.

1351 CTD on deck

1424 CTD Boussole 3 Transect Station 1 (43°25.000'N 07°47.962'E)

1510 CTD Boussole 4 Transect Station 2 (43°28.047'N 07°42.477'E)

1556 CTD Boussole 5 Transect Station 3 (43°31.042'N 07°36.946'E)

1654 CTD Boussole 6 Transect Station 4 (43°34.043'N 07°30.931'E)

1742 CTD Boussole 7 Transect Station 5 (43°37.49'N 07°25.021'E)

1809 CTD Boussole 8 Transect Station 6 (43°38.516'N 07°25.027'E)

1830 Depart for Boussole site

Wednesday 28th May, 2003

0705 CTD Boussole 9. Boussole Site. Max 400m. Bottle Depths (m) 10, 5.

0738 CTD on deck.

0747 SPMR deployed.

0815 SPMR on deck (5 profiles).

0838 Ship orientation exercise
0855 SPMR in water
0920 SPMR on deck (3 profiles).
1030 SPMR surface float in water
1110 SPMR surface float on deck (3 profiles).
1155 SPMR in water
1235 SPMR on deck (5 profiles – SeaWiFS 1200)
1323 SPMR in water
1345 SPMR on deck (3 profiles)
1430 SPMR in water
1450 SPMR on deck (3 profiles)
1501 CTD Boussole 10. Boussole Site. Max 400m. Bottle Depths (m) 10, 5.
1526 CTD on deck
1527 Commence quadrilateral
1630 Quadrilateral completed, depart for Nice
1945 Arrive Nice. Disembark G. Leconte.
2100 Depart for Boussole Site

Thursday 29th May, 2003

0545 Bathyphotometer in water
0630 Bathyphotometer on deck
0748 CTD Boussole 11. Boussole Site. Max 400m. Bottle Depths (m) 10, 5.
0813 CTD on deck
0745 SPMR in water
0800 SPMR on deck (3 profiles)
0815 SPMR surface float in water
0850 SPMR surface float on deck (3 profiles)
0905 CTD Boussole 12. Boussole Site. Max 100m. Bottle Depths (m) 10, 5.
0913 CTD on deck
0914 SPMR in water
0918 Meris Overhead Pass
0935 SPMR on deck (3 profiles)
1100 SPMR in water
1110 SeaWiFS Overhead Pass
1122 SPMR on deck
1135 SPMR surface float in water

1210 SPMR surface float on deck (3 profiles)
1240 SPMR in water
1248 SeaWiFS Overhead Pass
1300 SPMR on deck (3 profiles)
1345 CTD Boussole 13. Boussole Site. Max 400m. Bottle Depths (m) 10, 5.
1409 CTD on deck
1415 SPMR in water
1425 SPMR on deck (1 profile)
1427 Depart Boussole Site for Port of Nice
1745 Arrive Port of Nice

Satellite Overhead Passes at Boussole Site (43°22'N 7°54'E)

SeaWiFS (times in GMT)

- 27 May 2003 11:27 at 30.32 degrees elevation
- 27 May 2003 13:04 at 27.51 degrees elevation
- 28 May 2003 12:07 at 66.53 degrees elevation
- 29 May 2003 11:10 at 21.34 degrees elevation
- 29 May 2003 12:48 at 38.23 degrees elevation

Meris (times in GMT)

- 29 May 2003 09:18

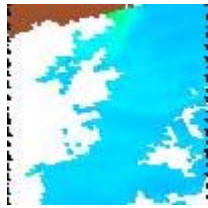
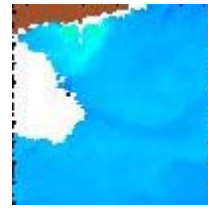
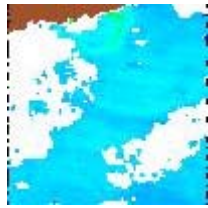
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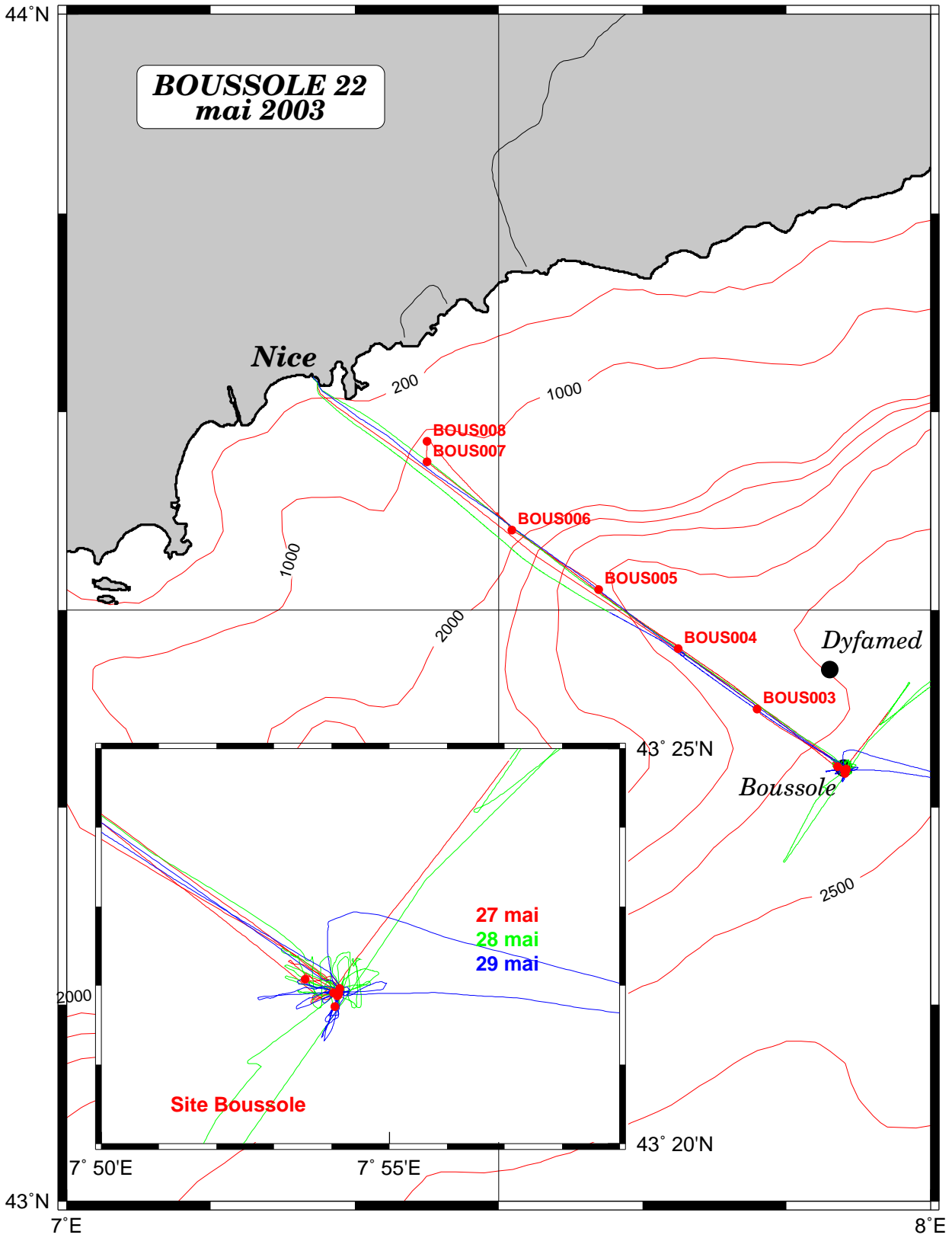
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Date	Sensors	Black names (file extension: ".raw")	Profile names (file extension: ".raw")	CTD notes / satellite overpass	Start time GMT (hour:min)	Duration (min:sec)	Depth max (meter)	Latitude (N) (Degree)	Longitude (E) (Degree)	50 (Mnute)	Other sensors	PAR	SIF mark#	Sky	Clouds	QV (#B)	Weather	Wind speed	Am. Press.	humidity	Visibility	T air	T water	Sea	Swell height	White horses
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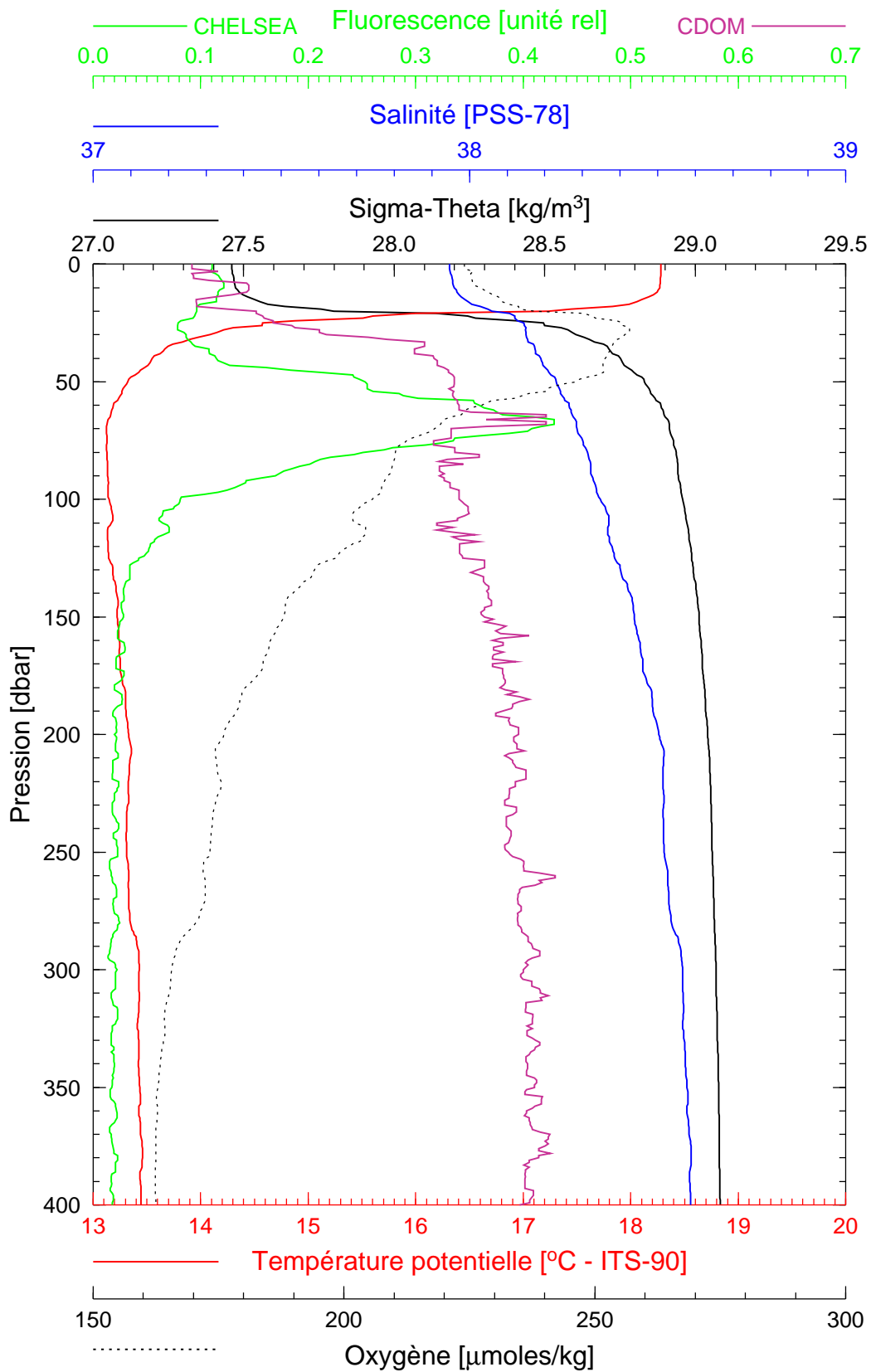


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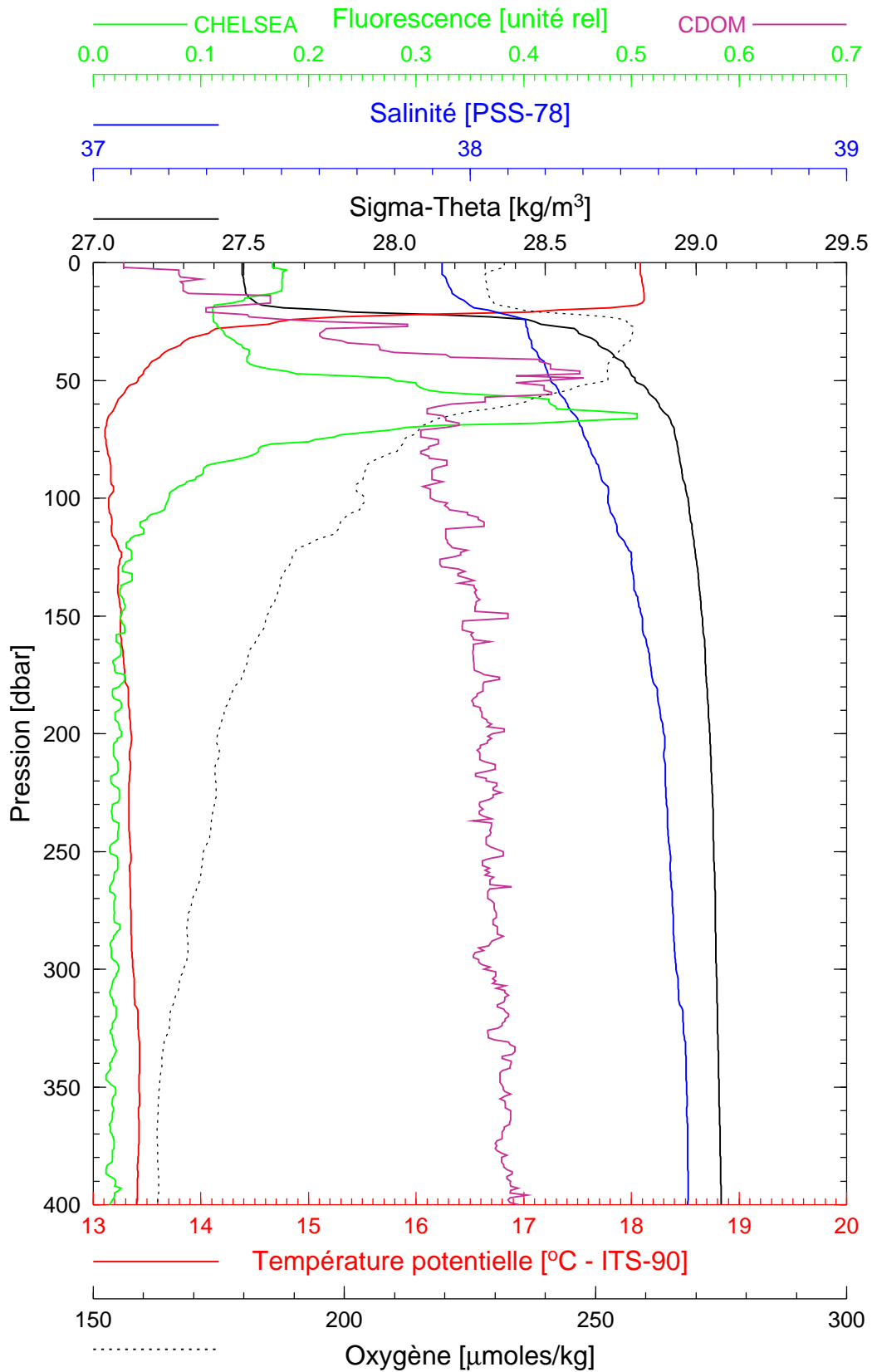
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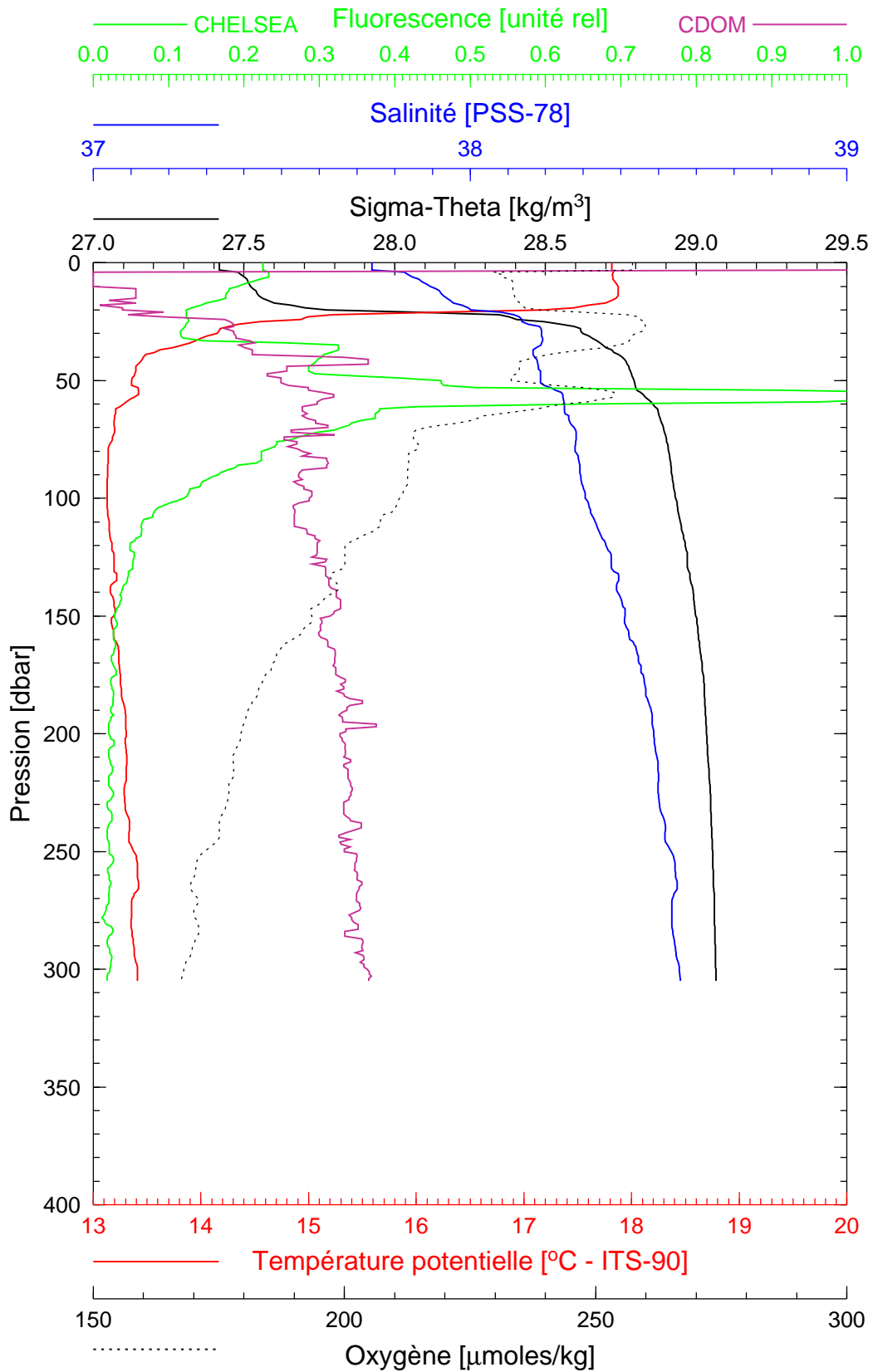
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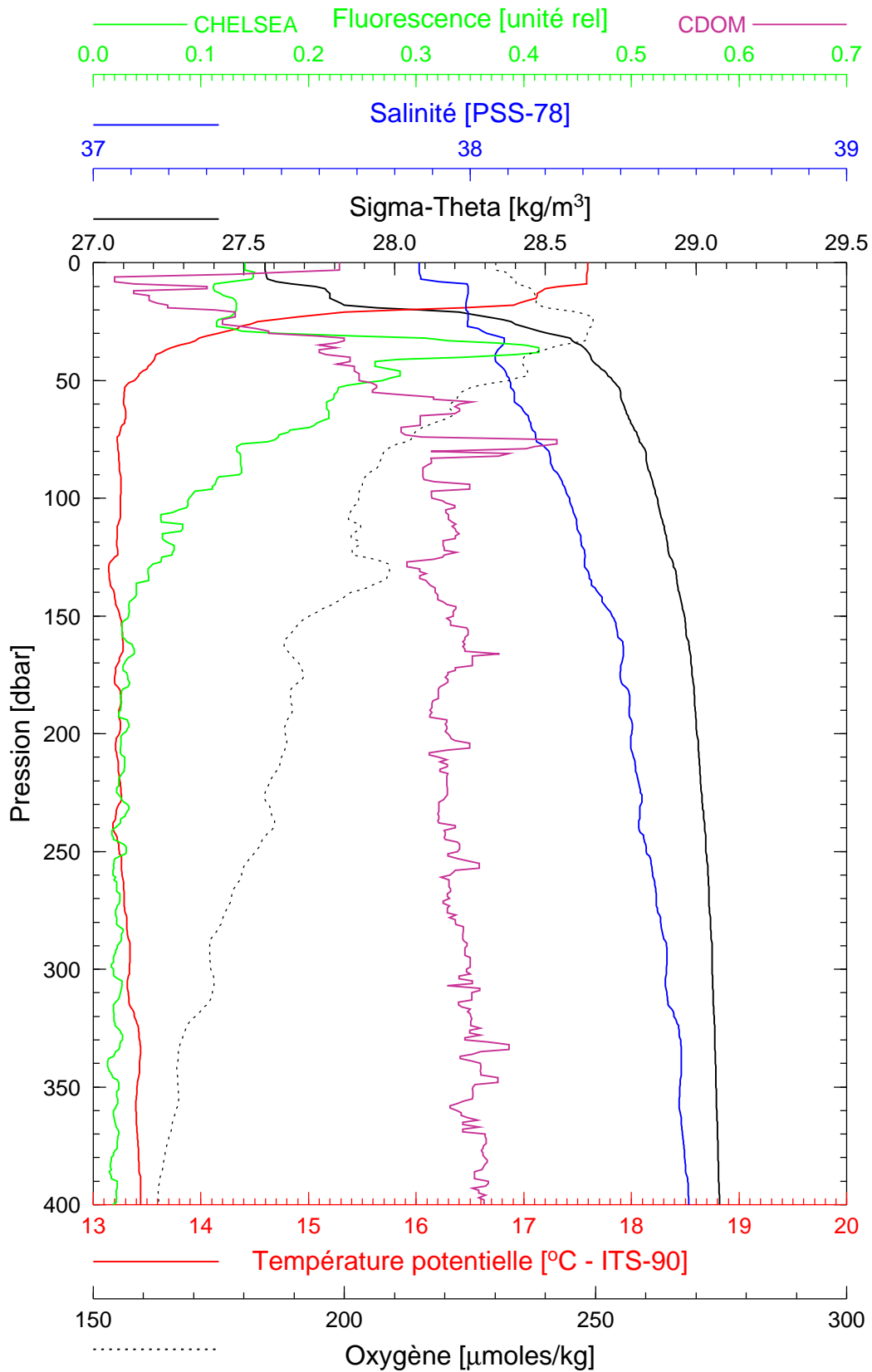
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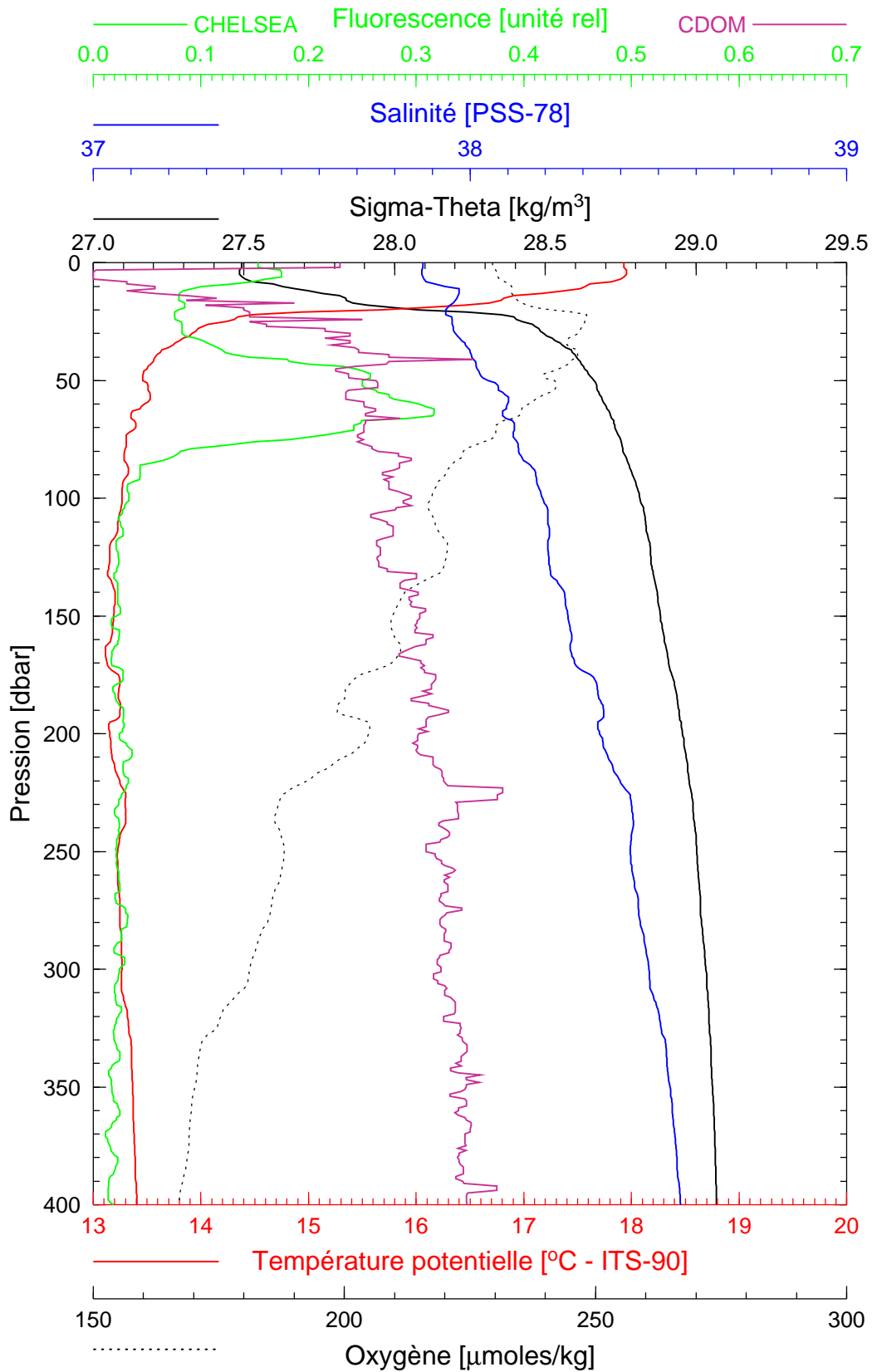
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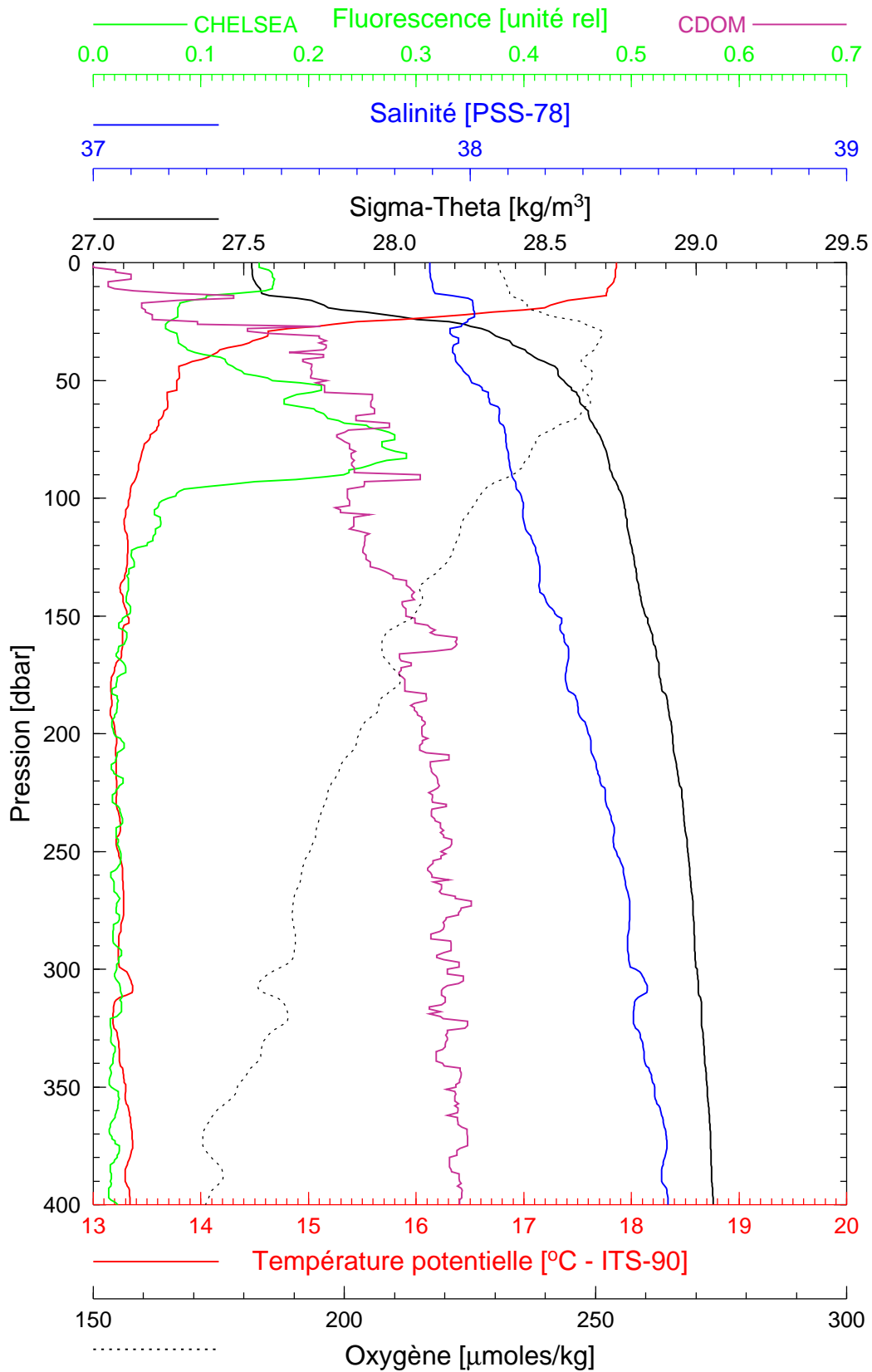
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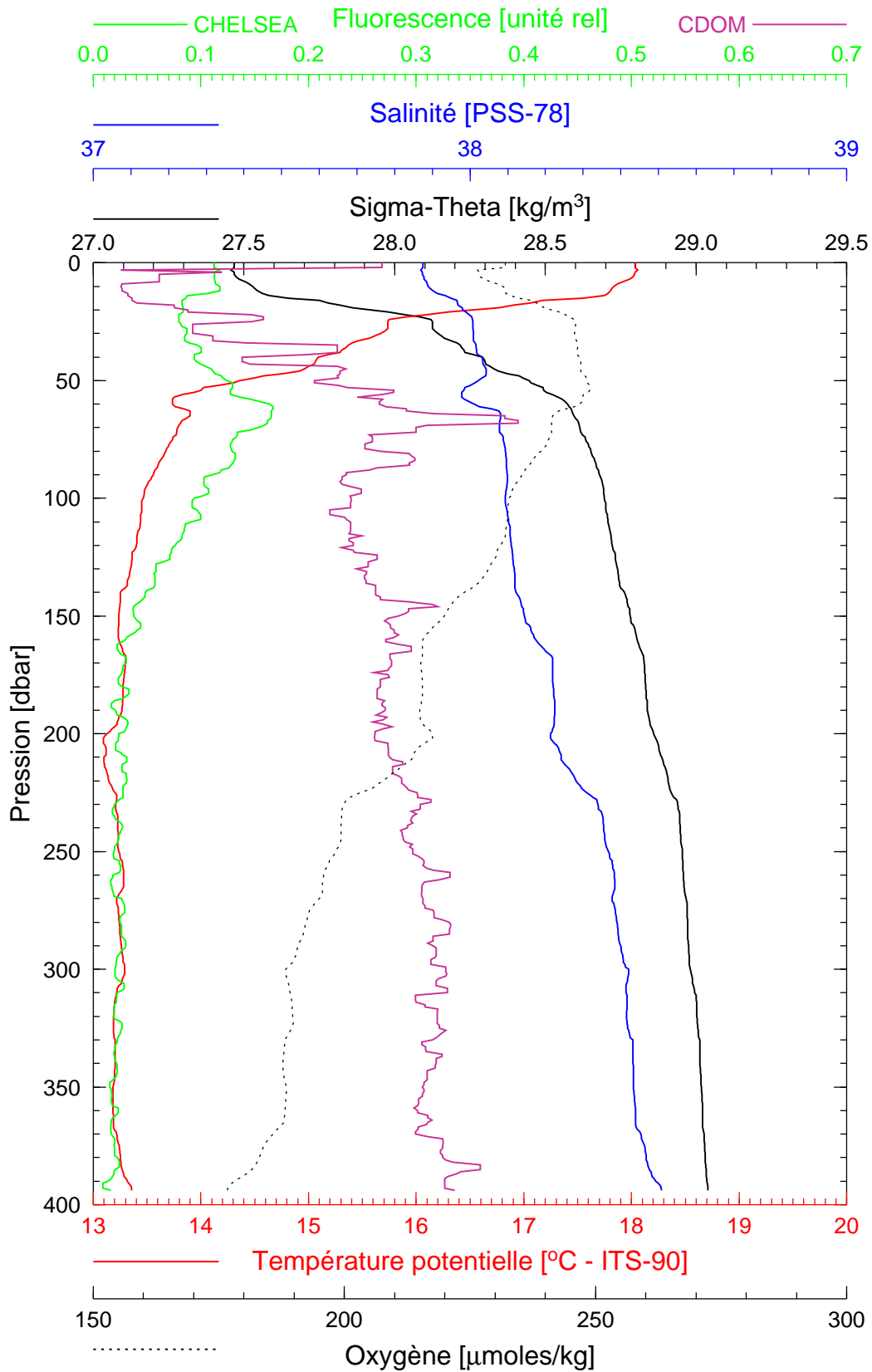
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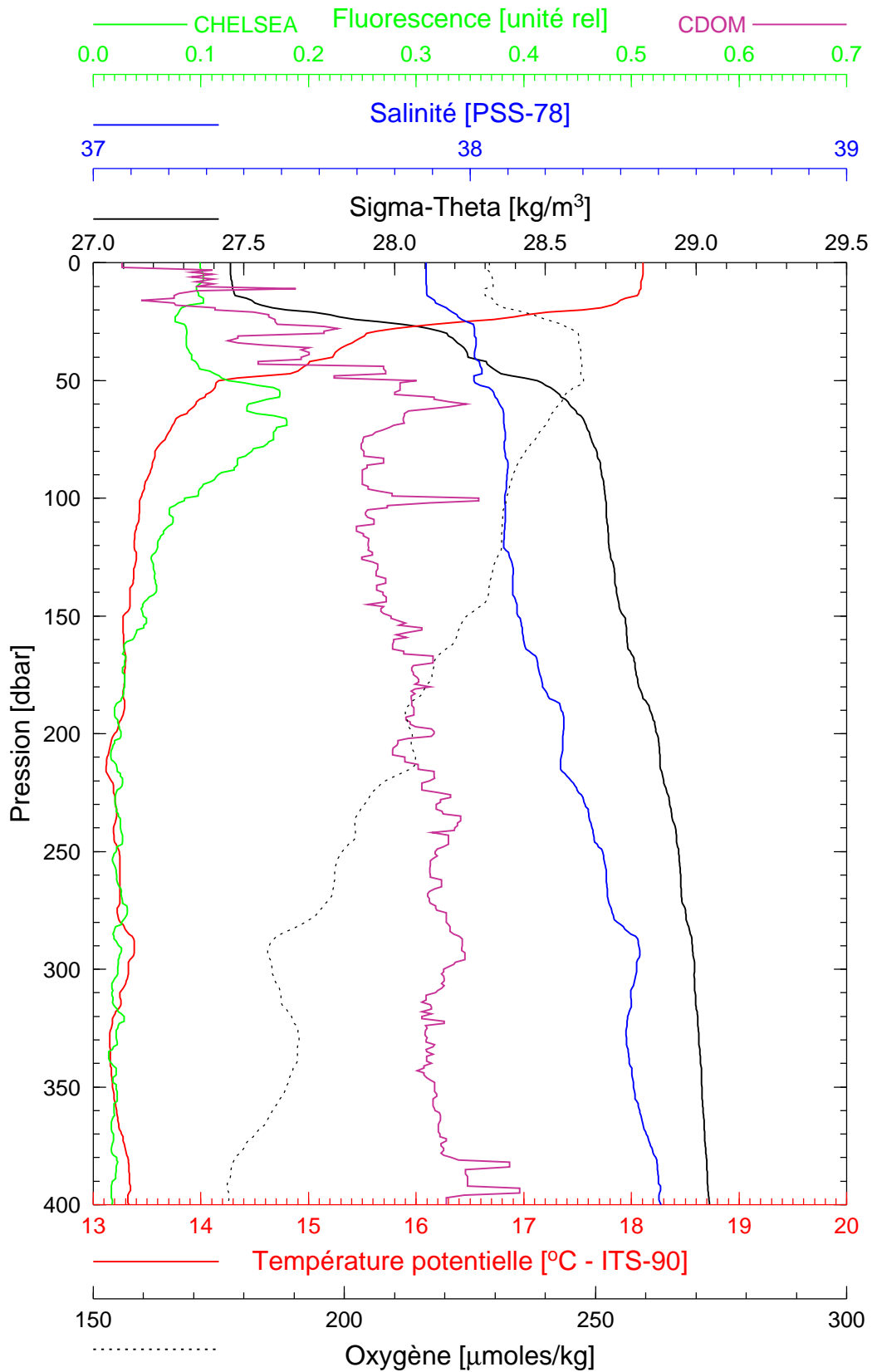
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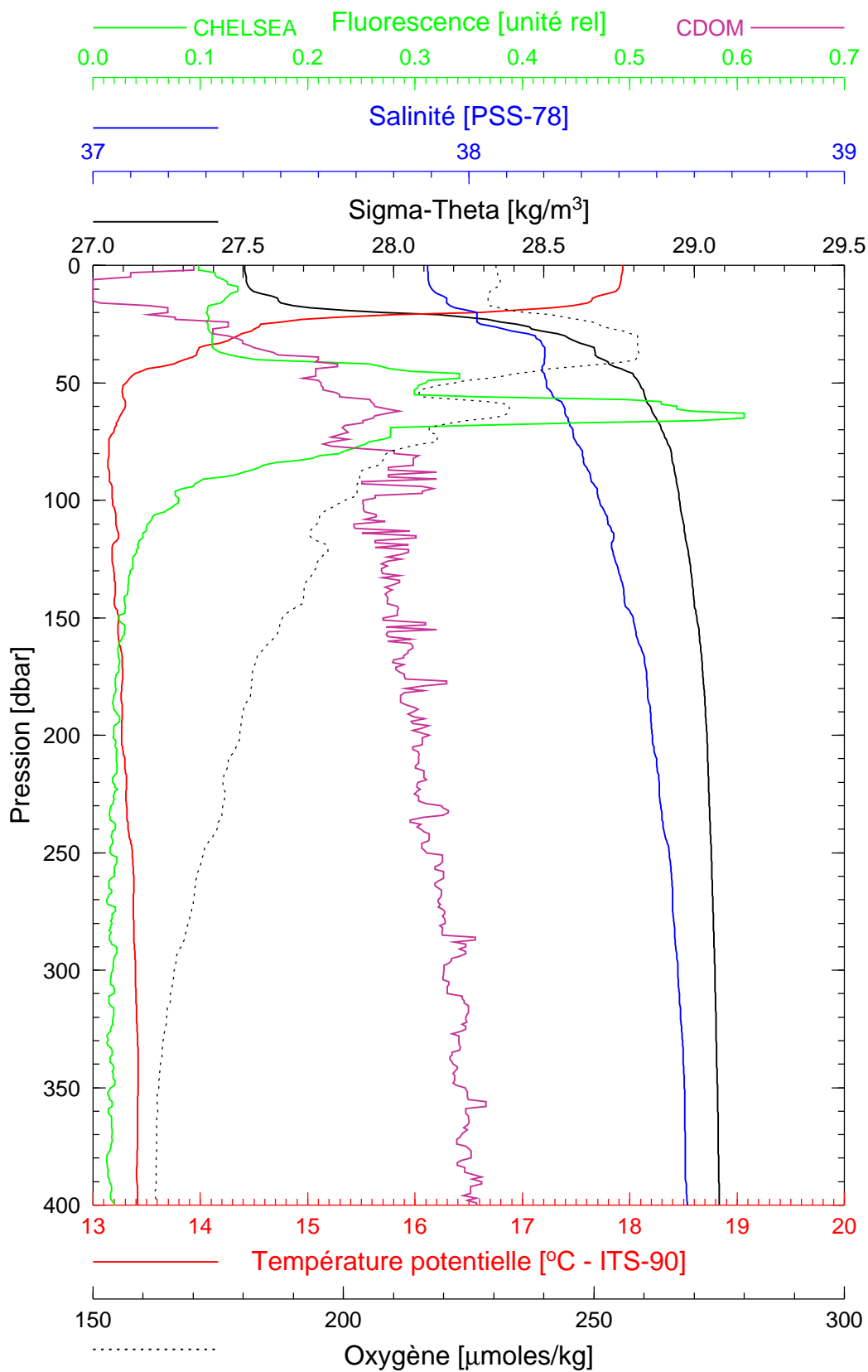
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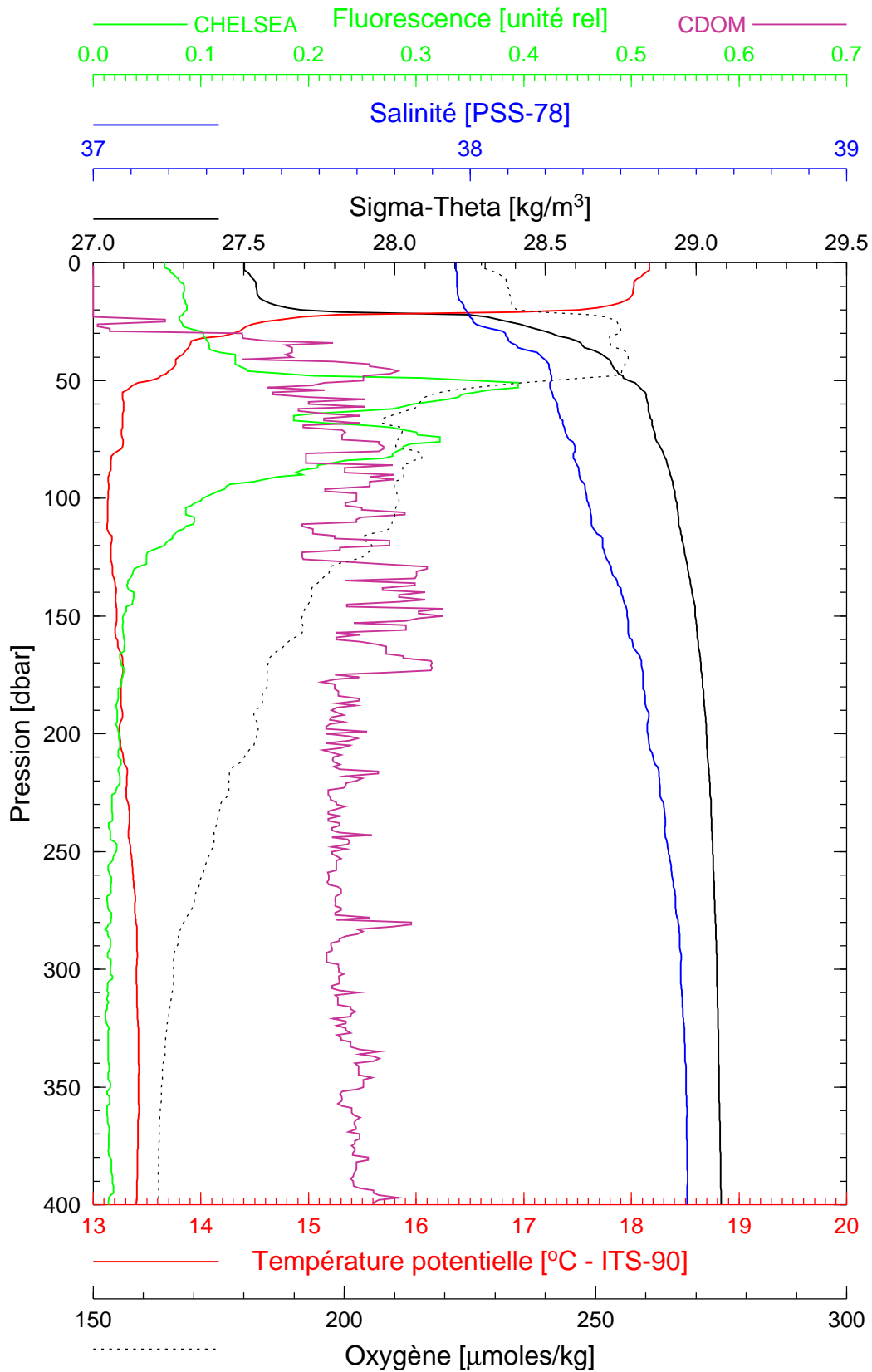
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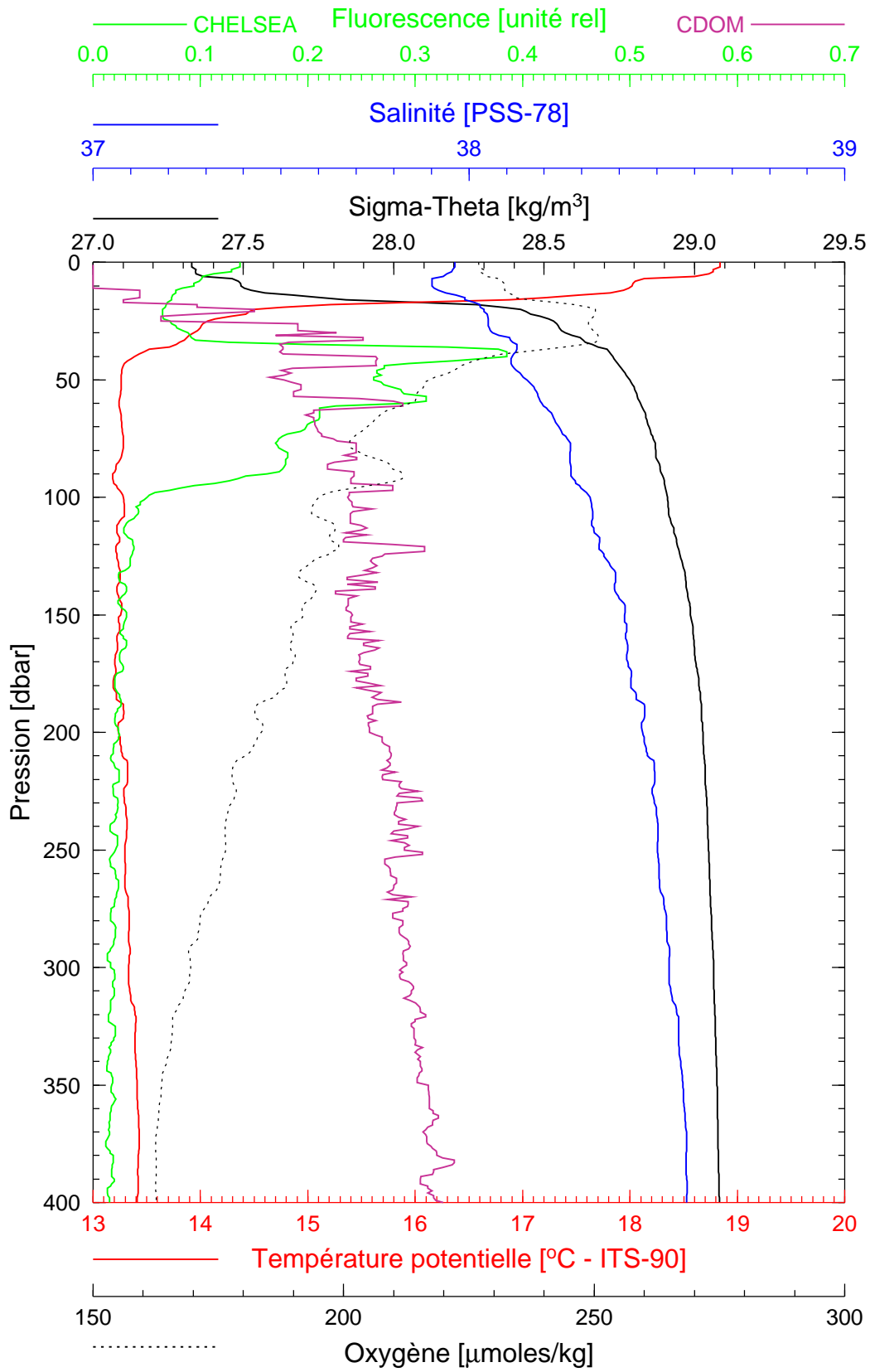
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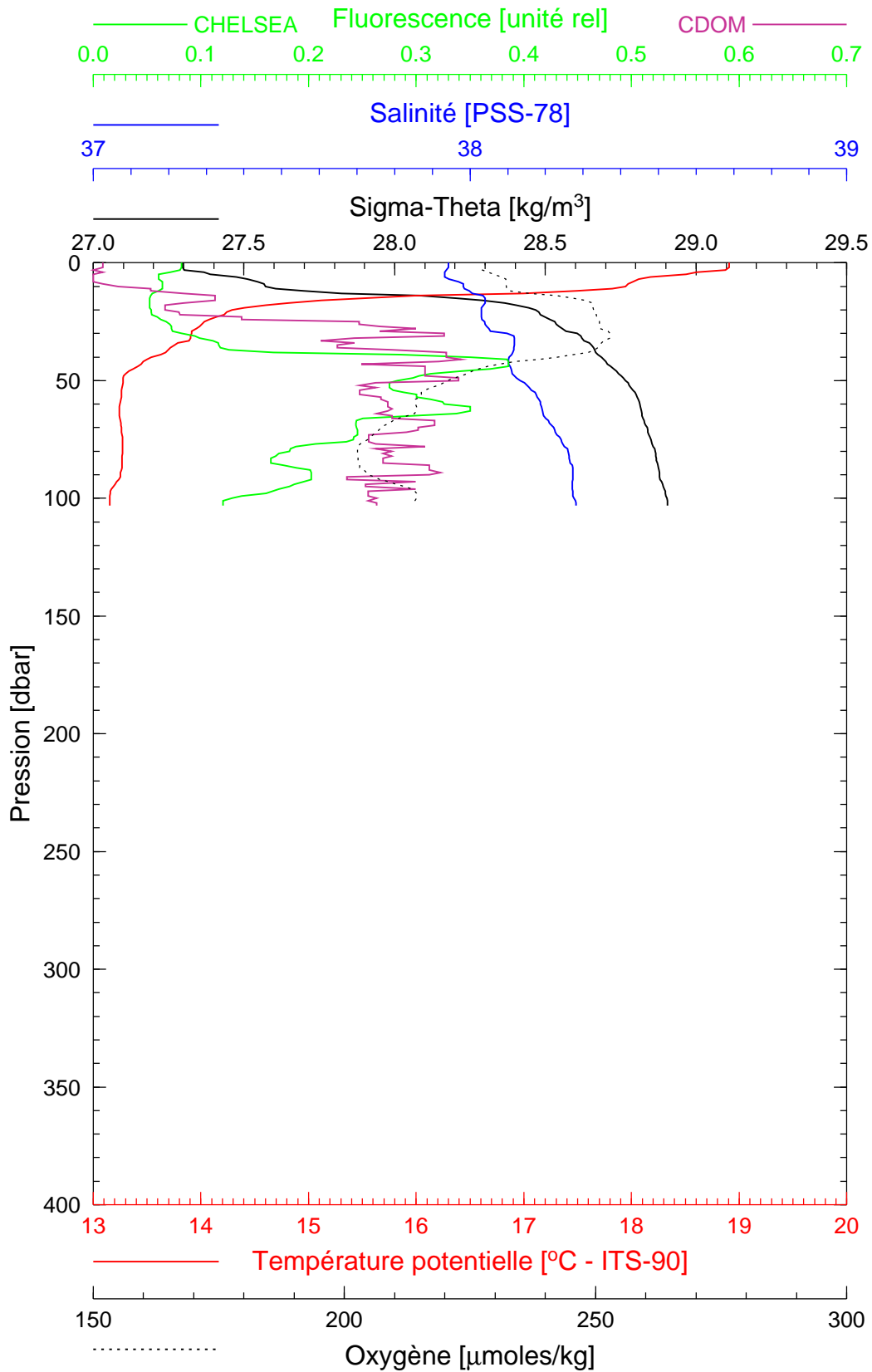
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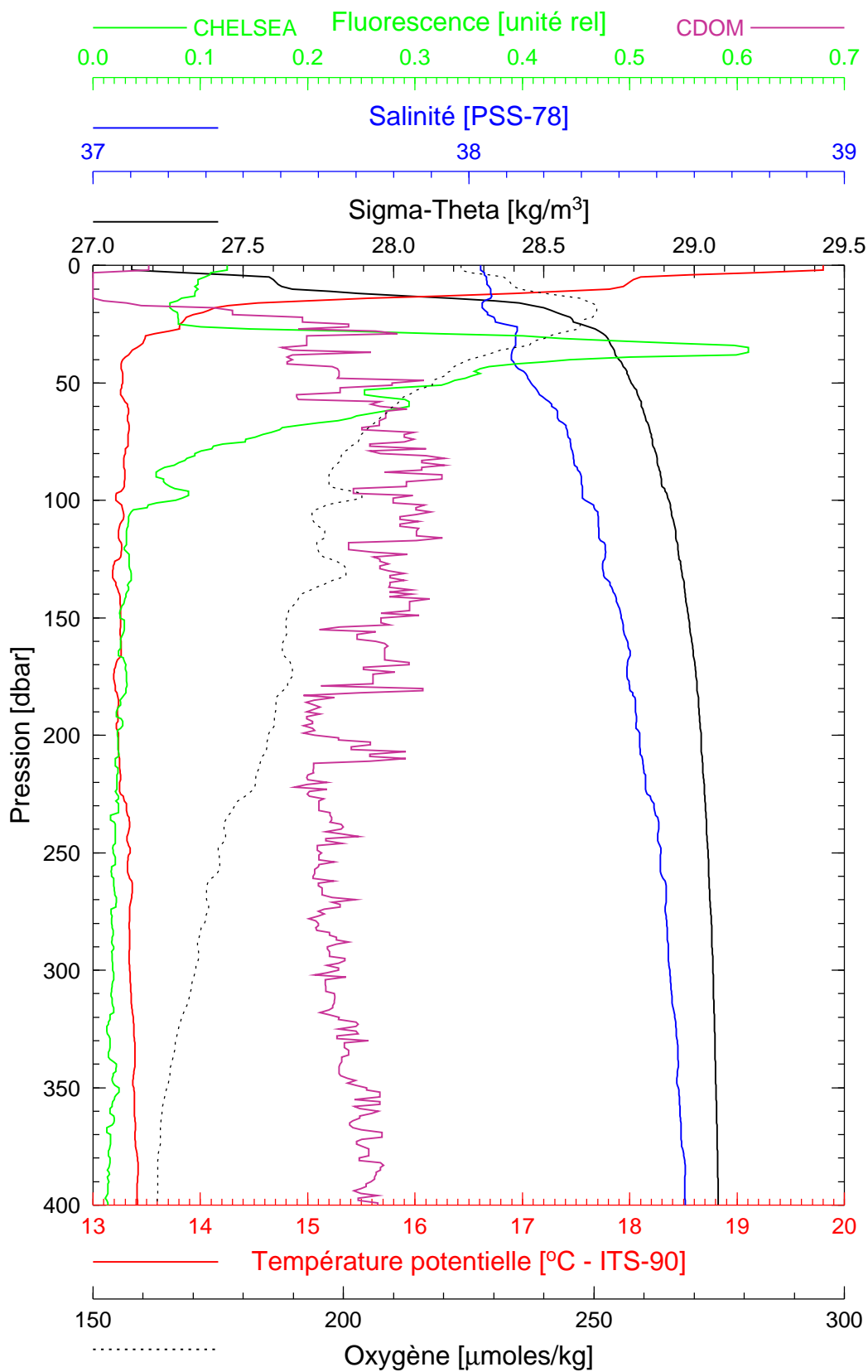
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Date 29/05/2003
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