

# BOUSSOLE Monthly Cruise Report

**Cruises 46**

**October 06 – 09, 2005**

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Fig 1. Diver Jean de Vaugelas is cleaning buoy structure (9 meters arm).

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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 gimbed 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 Jean de Vaugelas) will be onboard on 06 October 2005 to take some pictures and clean and check the buoy structure under the sea surface.

Fanny Tièche will be present on 07 October for the Ultra Path water sampling/filtration and for a Kishino set of filtration.

Katarzyna Niewiadomska, PhD. Student at LOV, will be onboard on 08 October 2005.

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

Sea conditions were quite rough for the first day, progressively declining to rather calm for the last day.

A problem with the ship motors prevented any operation at sea for the second day (Friday 07 October 2005), as the ship had to go back to the port of Nice for repairs.

A major shortcut appeared in the CTD to carousel cable, preventing quite always to sample Sea water for filtrations.

A Lagrangian buoy from Meteo-France was launched close to the Eulerian (usual) Meteo-France buoy on 06 October.

### Thursday 06 October 2005

Weather for this day was quite rough (20-25 knots, H1/3 = 1.2 to 1.3 m), preventing any CTD or SPMR measurements. Only the divers went at Sea and a Lagrangian Meteo-France buoy was launched close to the other (fixed) Meteo-France buoy. Divers noted the buoy arms orientation, in order to check the DacNET compass reference. The arm equipped with radiometers were oriented to the South at 09h30 UTC.

### Friday 07 October 2005

A first problem with the ship motor delayed the departure till 05h20 UTC, then a second problem prevented to reach the BOUSSOLE site, as a U-turn was decided at 08h30 UTC.

## Saturday 08 October 2005

Sky conditions were good for optics. The sea was choppy, allowing to deploy the CTD and the SPMR. There was whereas a problem with closing the Niskyn bottle, as the carousel wasn't communicating with the PC. Dominique Tailliez reconnected the CTD to the electric cable, and the problem was fixed, at least for that day. Finally, 7 CTD were realized (including 5 transect CTD), 5 CIMEL measurements, 3 SPMR profiles and 1 Secchi disk measurements were realized.

## Sunday 09 October 2005

Sea conditions were rather good, and the sky was blue. 3 CTD were realized, but the problem appeared again, so that a shortcut in the CTD to carousel cable was supposed. 4 SPMR profiles were realized (3 with pyramidal floating system), 8 CIMEL measurements and 1 Secchi disk measurements were realized.

## Cruise Report

### 06 October 2005 (UTC)

0500 Departure from port of Nice.  
0850 Divers at Sea.  
1015 Buoy data uploading.  
1120 Meteo-France buoy launch.  
1125 Departure for port of Nice.  
1415 Arrival to port of Nice.

### 07 October 2005

0430 Problem with the ship motors.  
0520 Departure from port of Nice.  
0830 U-turn to port of Nice because of another problem with the ship.  
1200 Arrival in port of Nice.

### 08 October 2005

0430 Departure from port of Nice.  
0757 CTD 1 with no water sampling as there was no connection between CTD and carousel.  
0807 CIMEL 1.  
1040 SPMR profiles 1, 2, and 3 without floating system.  
1048 CIMEL 2.  
1100 CIMEL 3.  
1140 CTD 2 with water sampling at 5 and 10 meters.  
1215 Buoy data retrieval.  
1256 CTD 3 at station 1 (43°25'N 07°48'E).  
1258 CIMEL 4 (clouds) at station 1 (43°25'N 07°48'E).  
1332 CIMEL 5 (clouds) at station 2 (43°28'N 07°42'E).  
1355 CTD 4 at station 2 (43°28'N 07°42'E).  
1459 CTD 5 at station 3 (43°31'N 07°37'E).  
1602 CTD 6 at station 4 (43°34'N 07°31'E).  
1704 CTD 7 at station 5 (43°37'N 07°25'E).  
1800 Arrival at port of Nice.

### 09 October 2005

0450 Departure from port of Nice.  
0819 CTD 8 with water sampling at 200, 100, 80, 70, 60, 50, 40, 30, 20, 10 and 5 meters.  
0824 CIMEL 6.  
0948 CIMEL 7.  
1017 SPMR profiles 4, 5, 6, and 7 (4, 6 and 7 with floating system).  
1034 CIMEL 8.

- 1109 CIMEL 9.
- 1151 CTD 9.
- 1200 Secchi measurement 1.
- 1213 CIMEL 10.
- 1219 CIMEL 11.
- 1228 CIMEL 12.
- 1326 CIMEL 13 at 43°27'N 07°43'E (near station 1).
- 1620 Arrival at port of Nice.

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

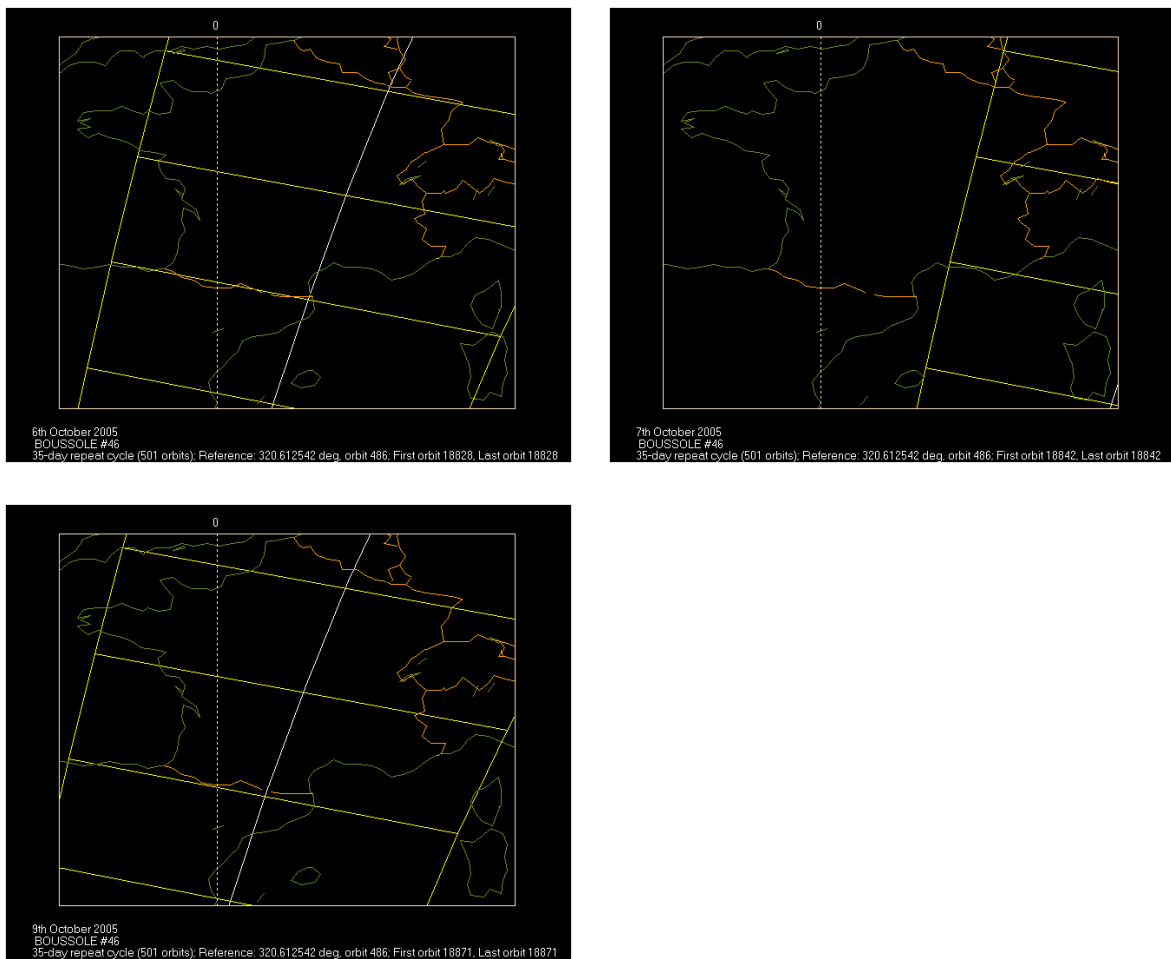
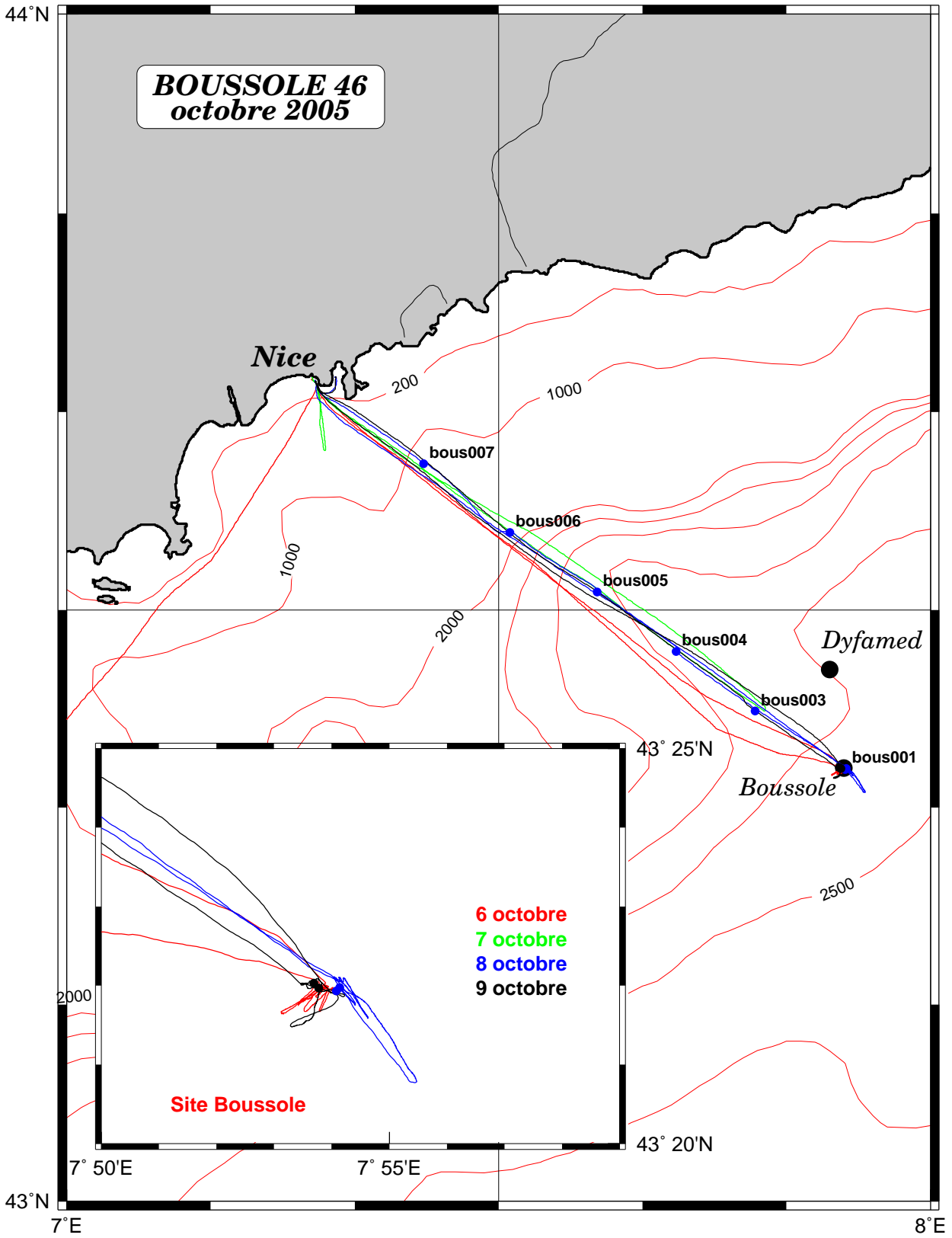


Figure 3. Calculated swath paths for MERIS (Esov software) above BOUSSOLE site for 06, 07 and 09 October 2005.

# Appendix





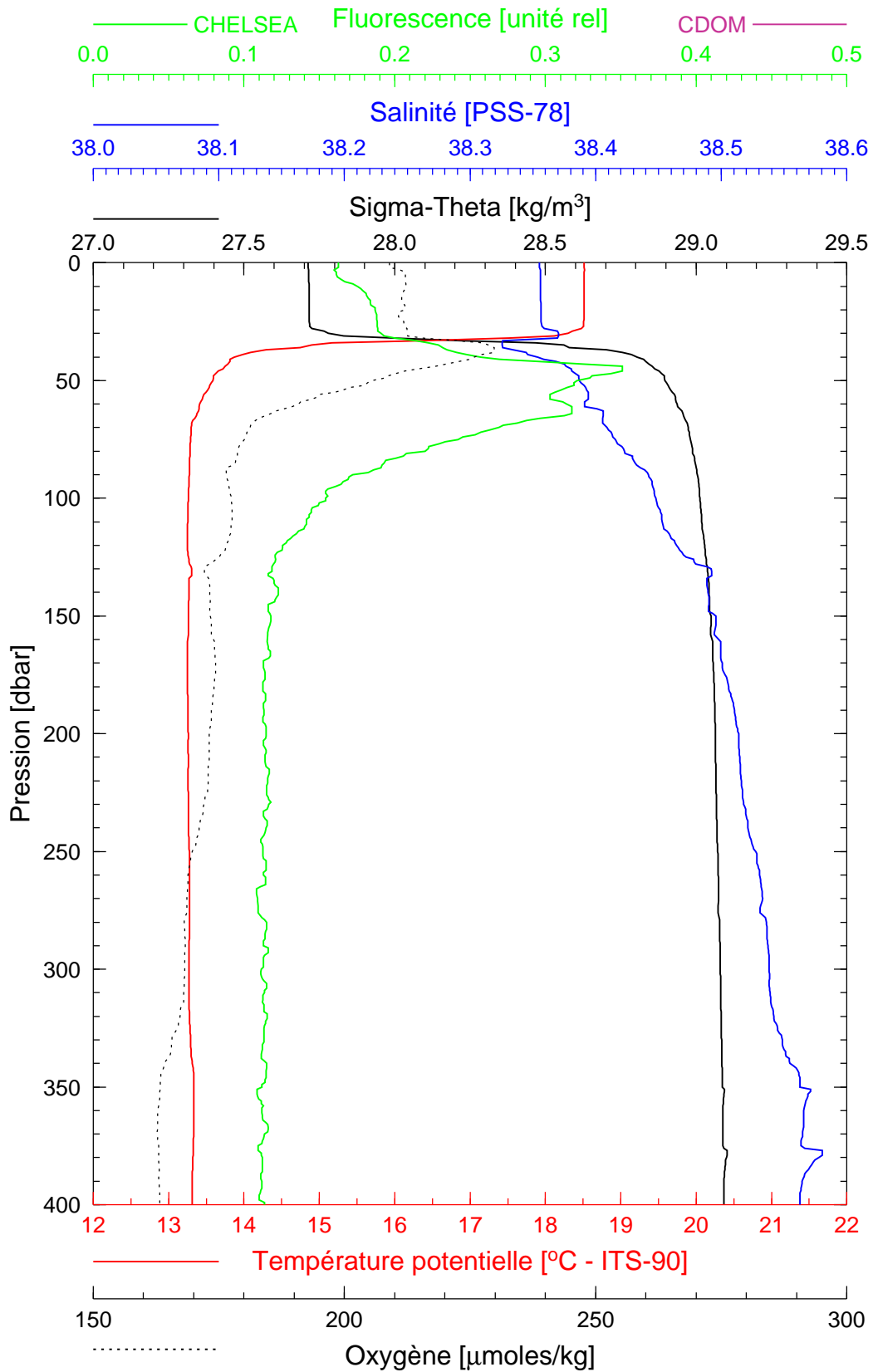


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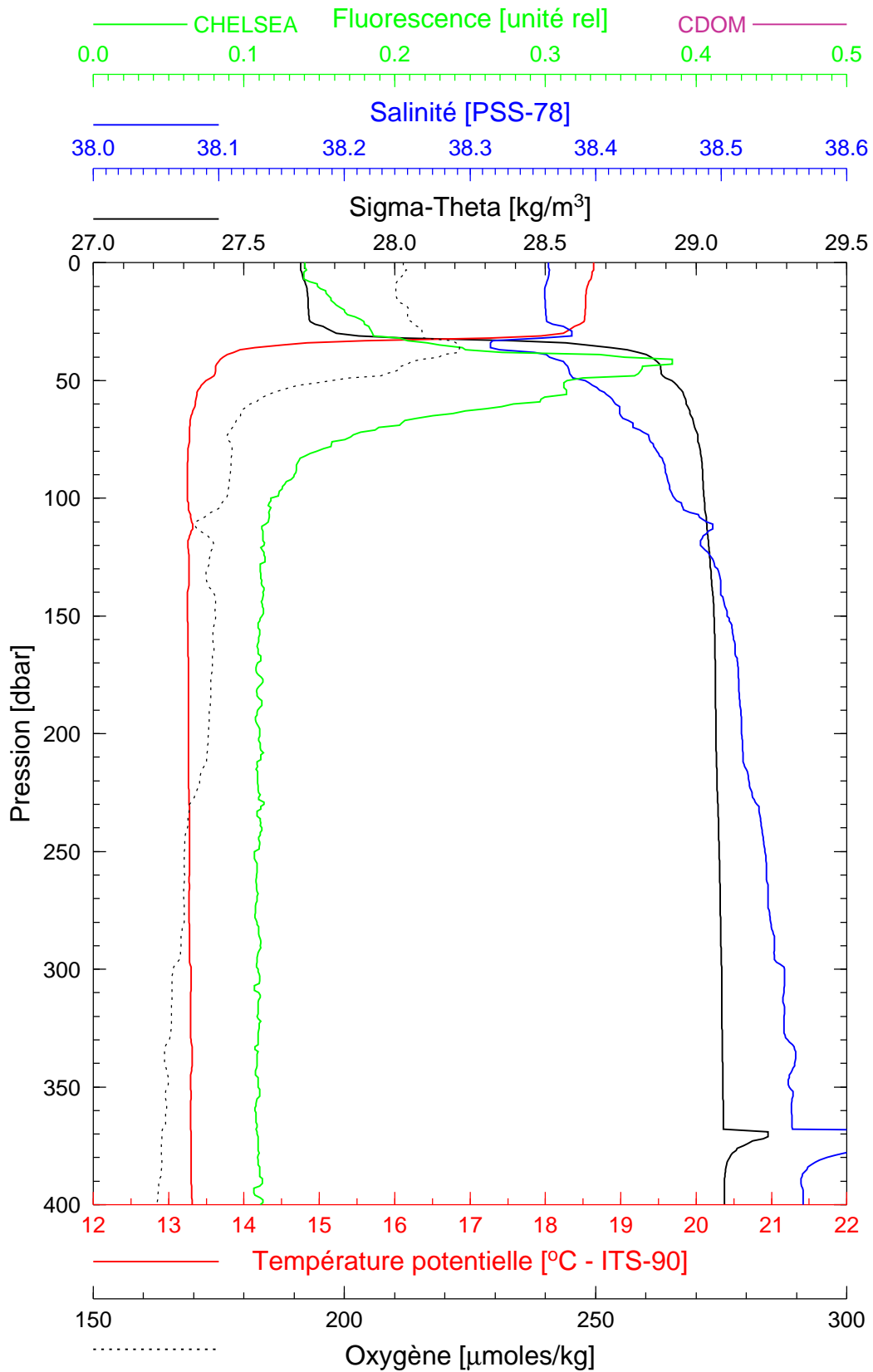
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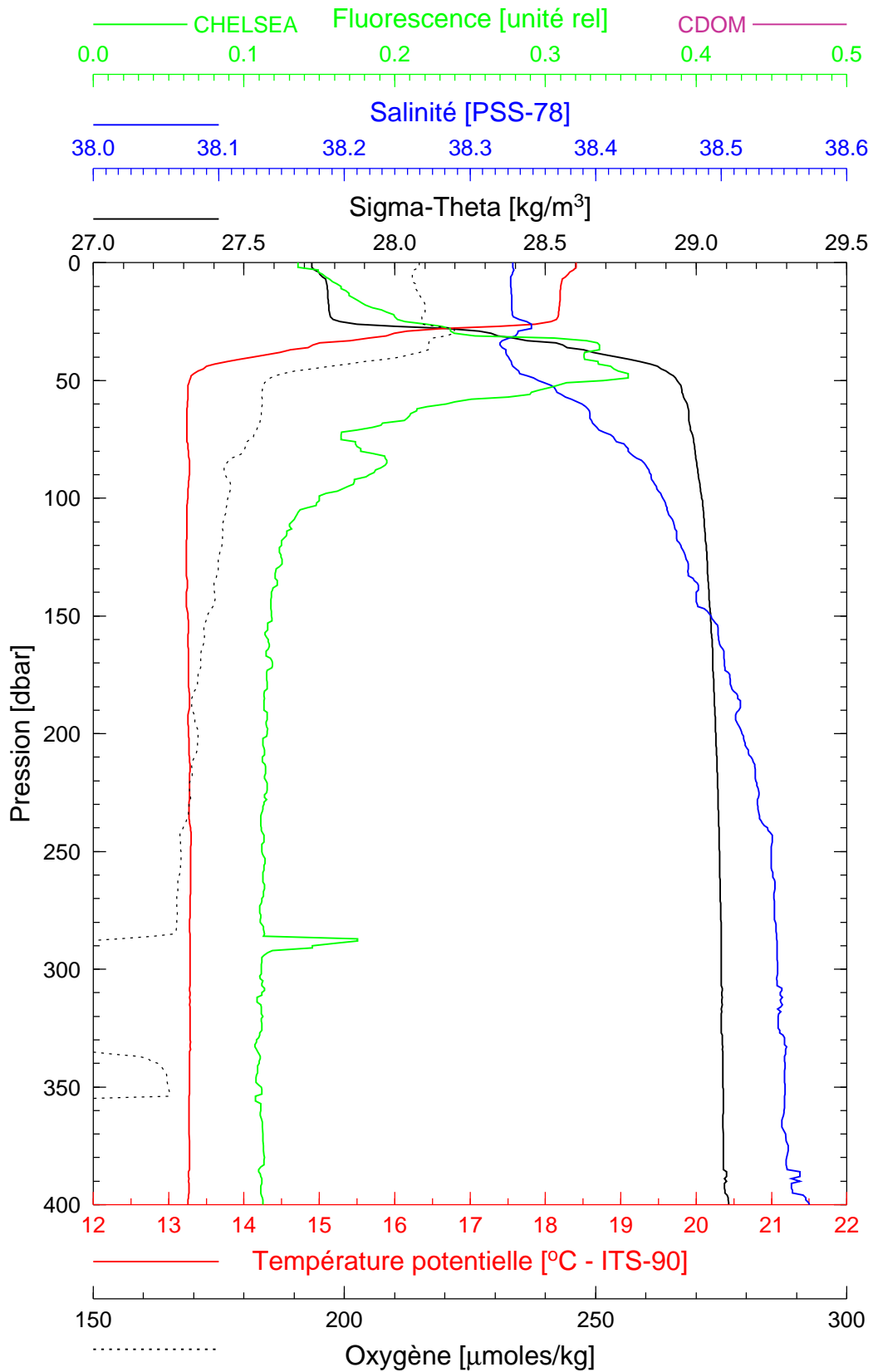
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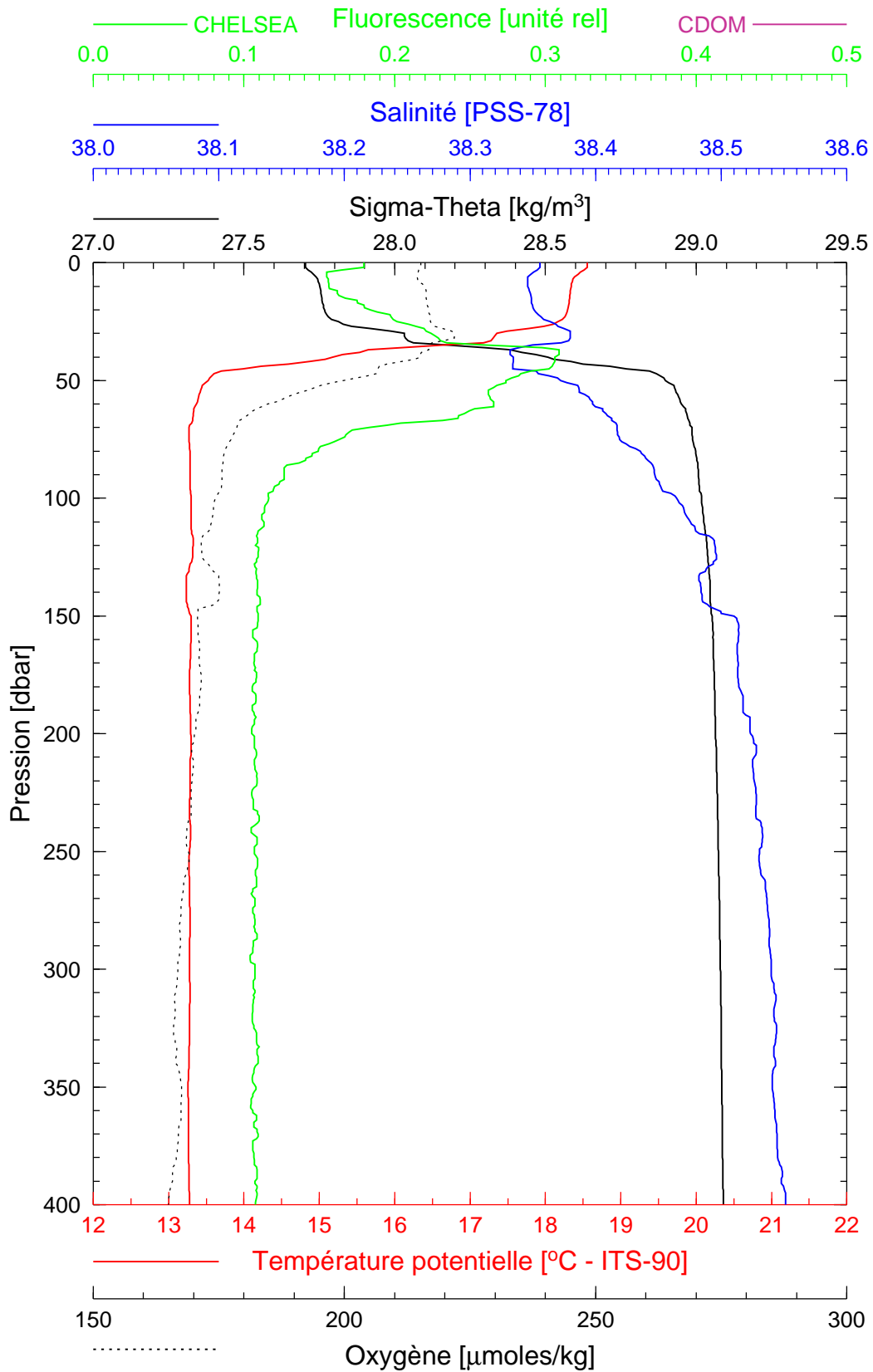
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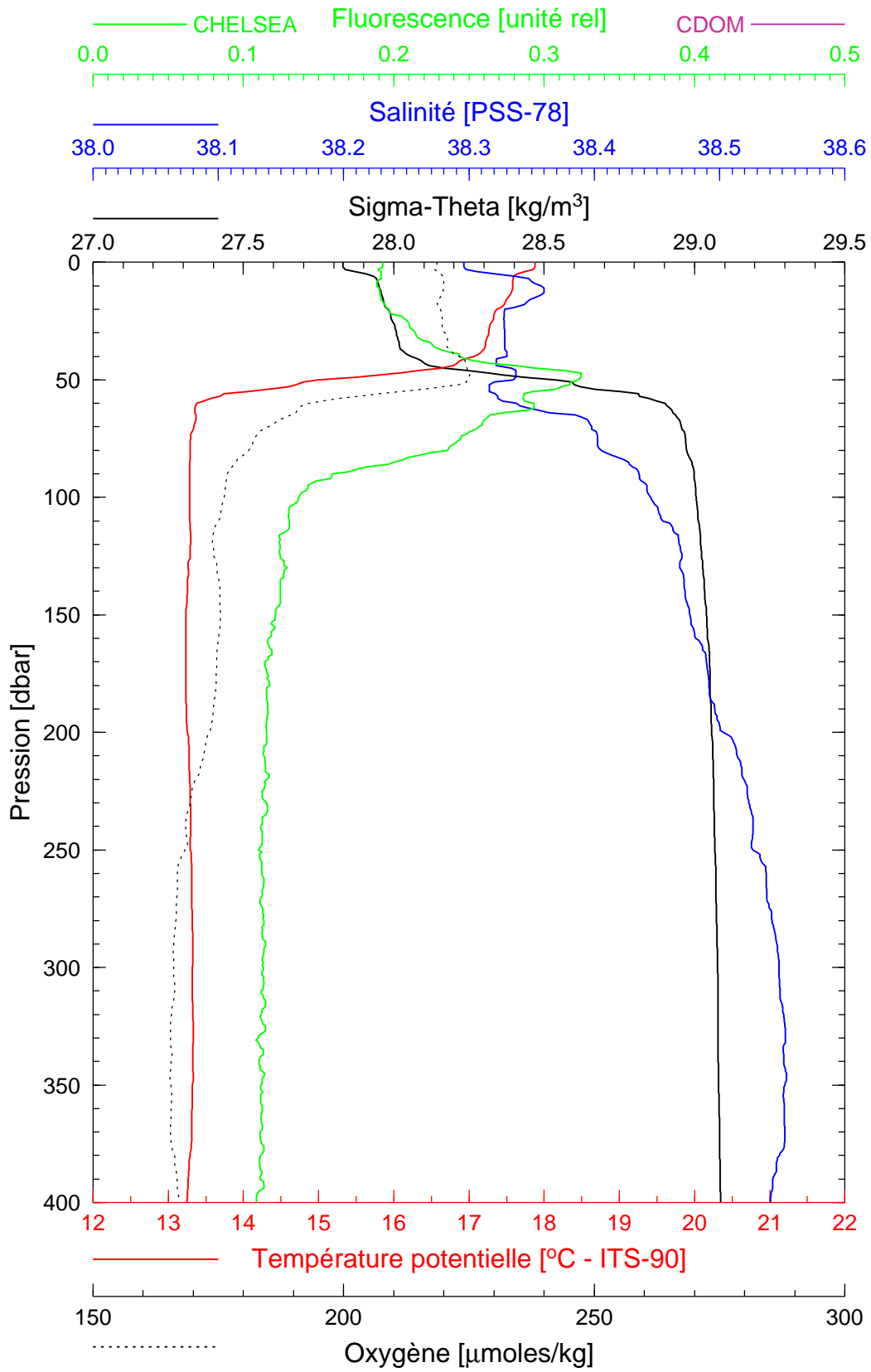
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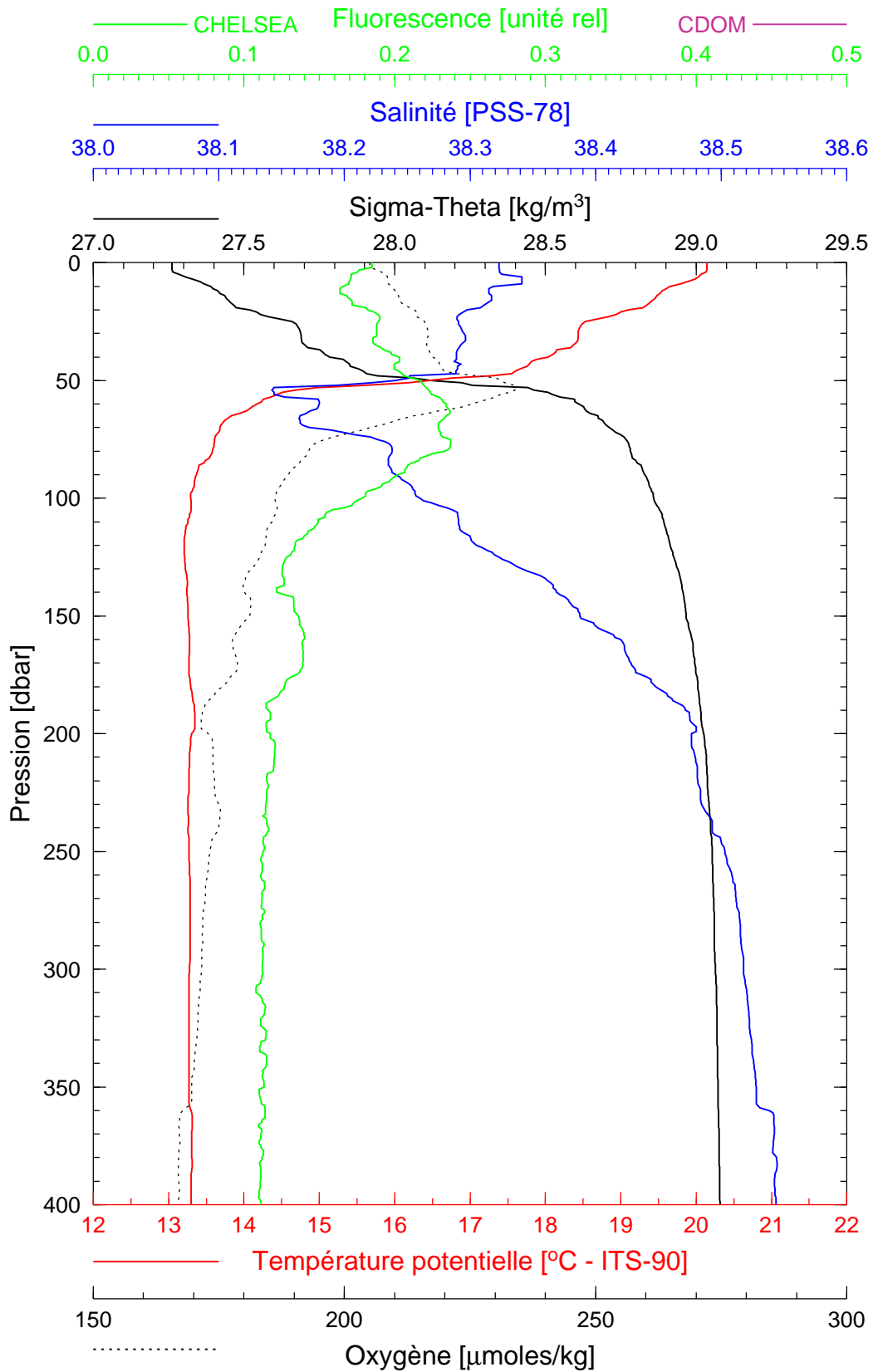
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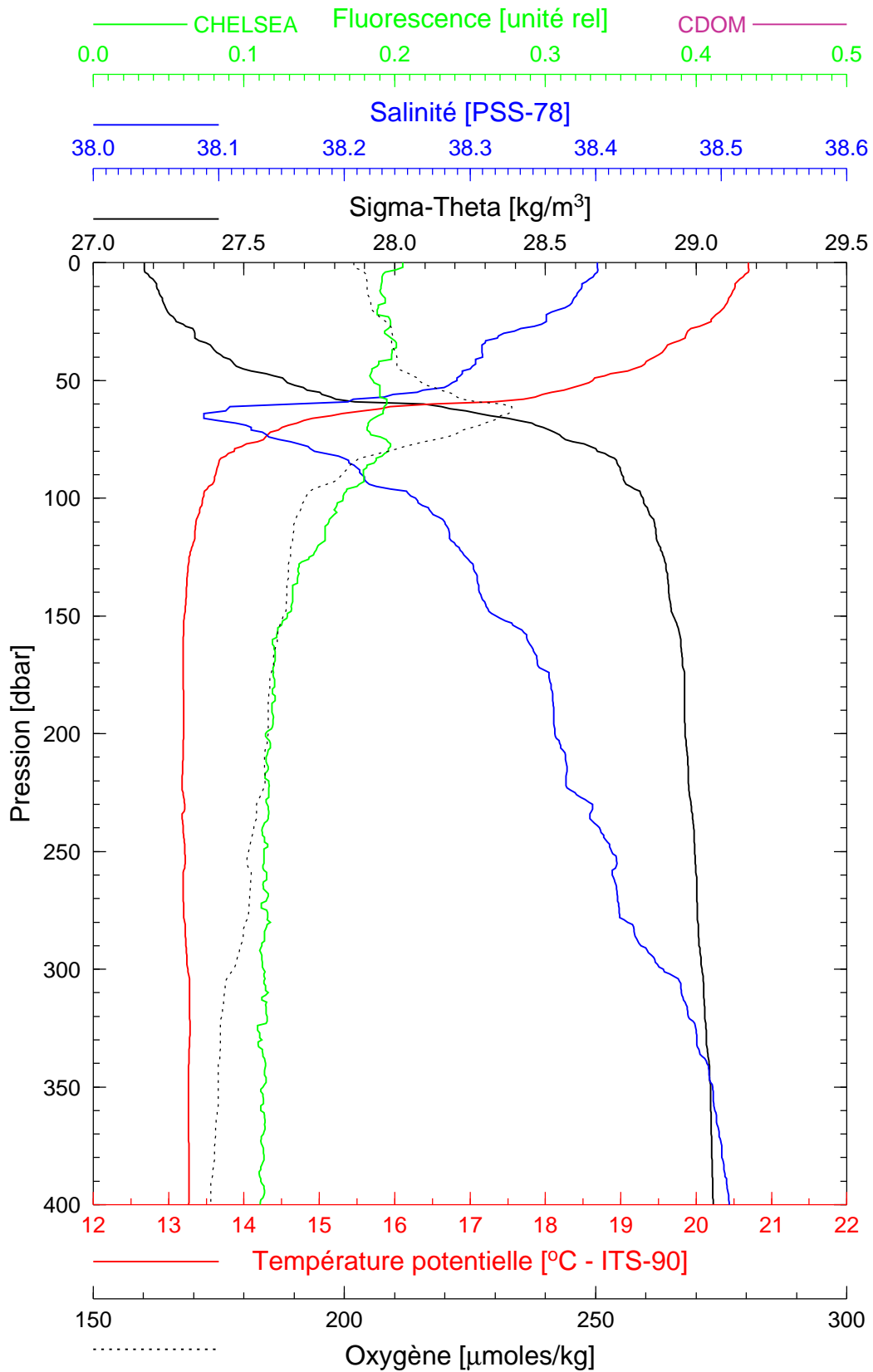
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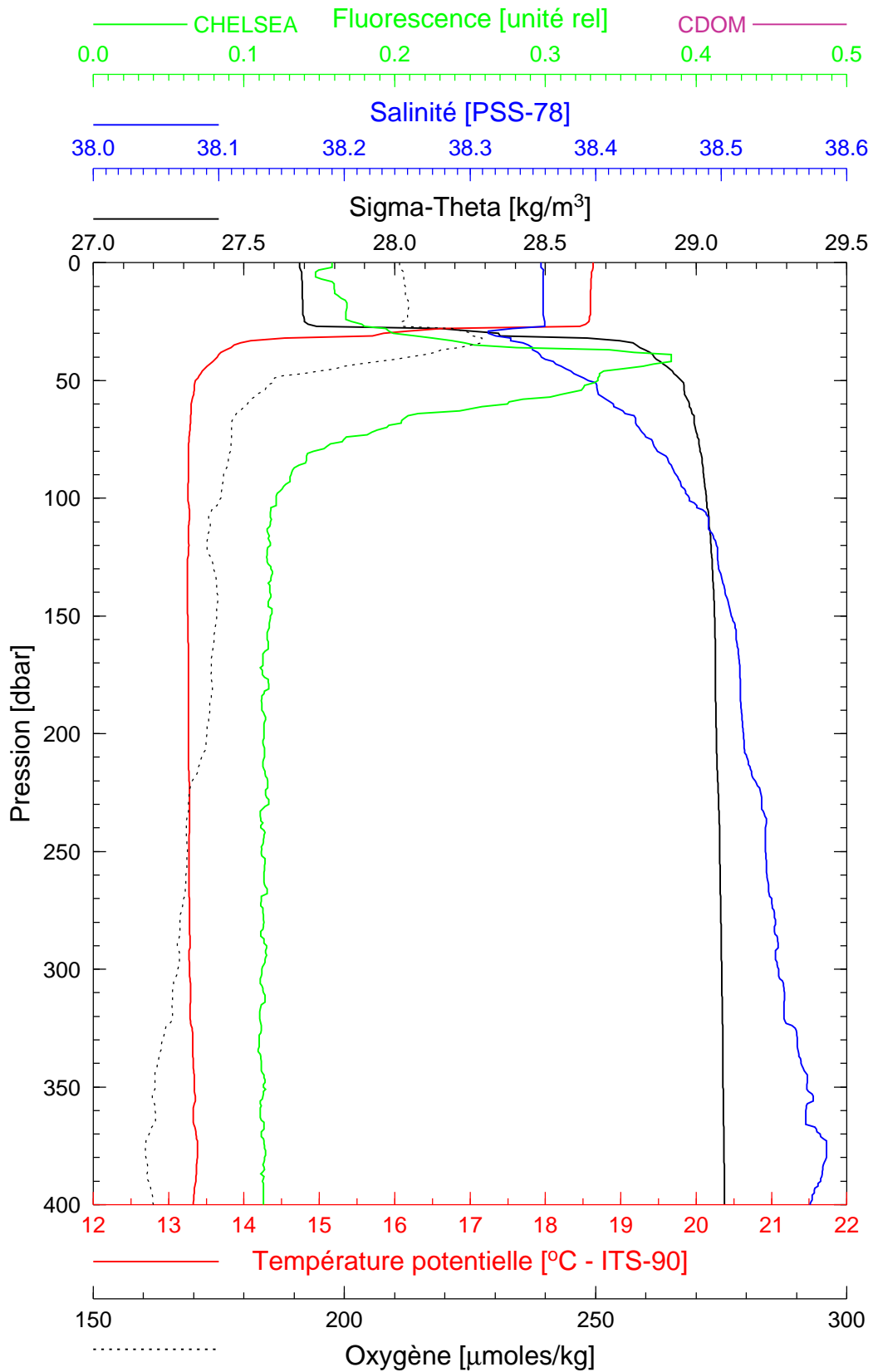


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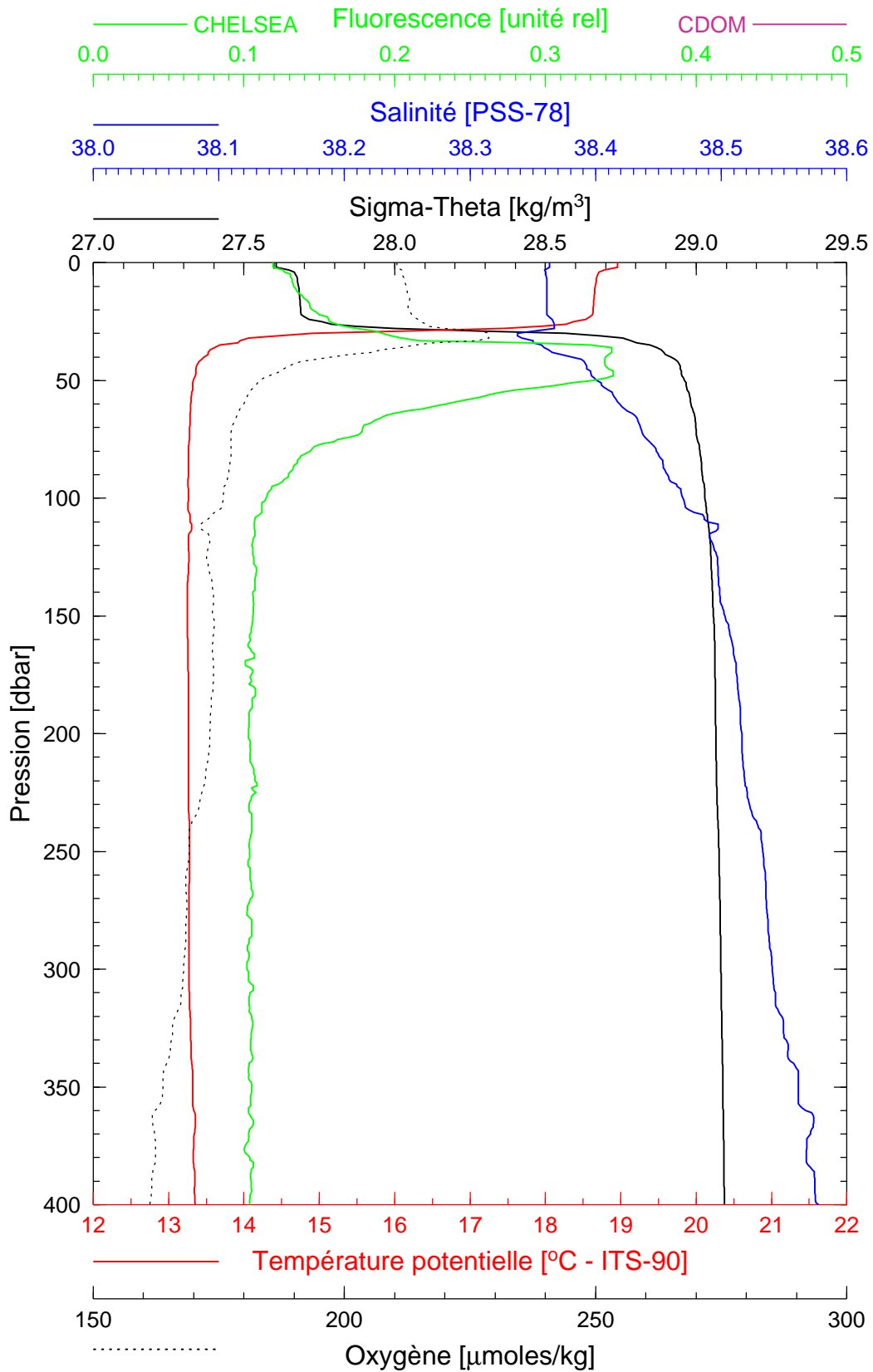
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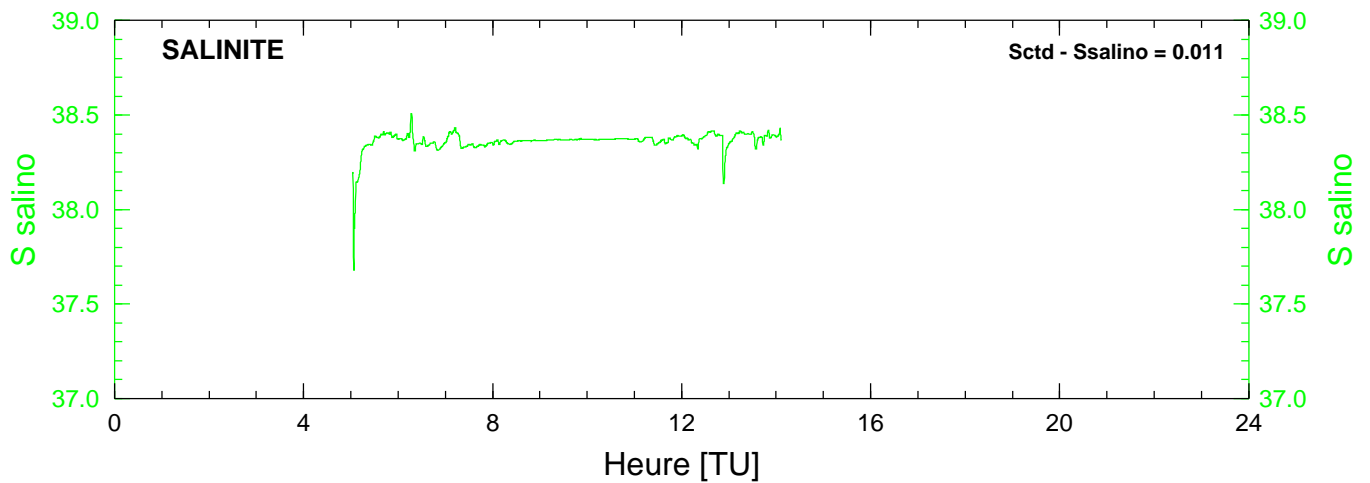
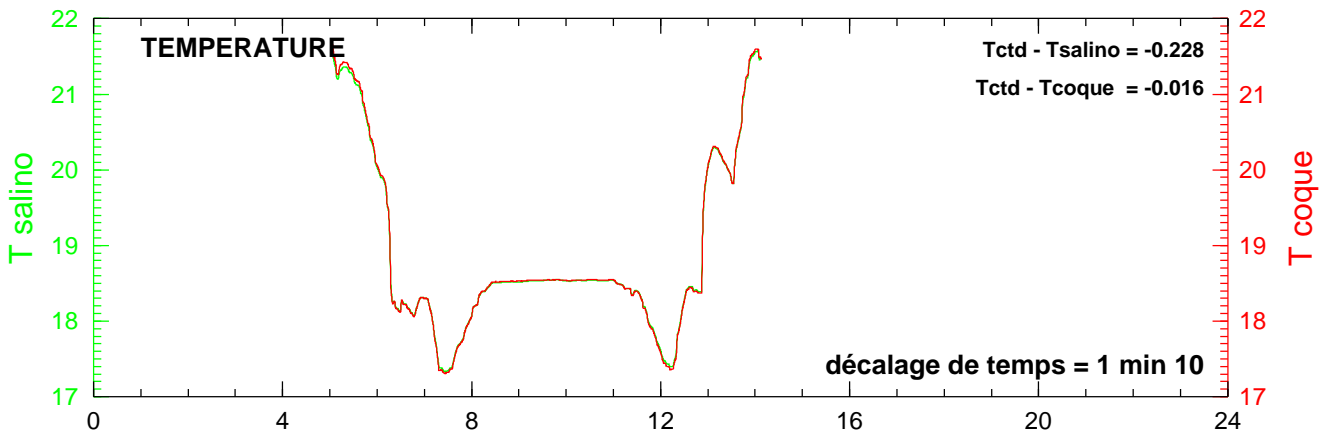
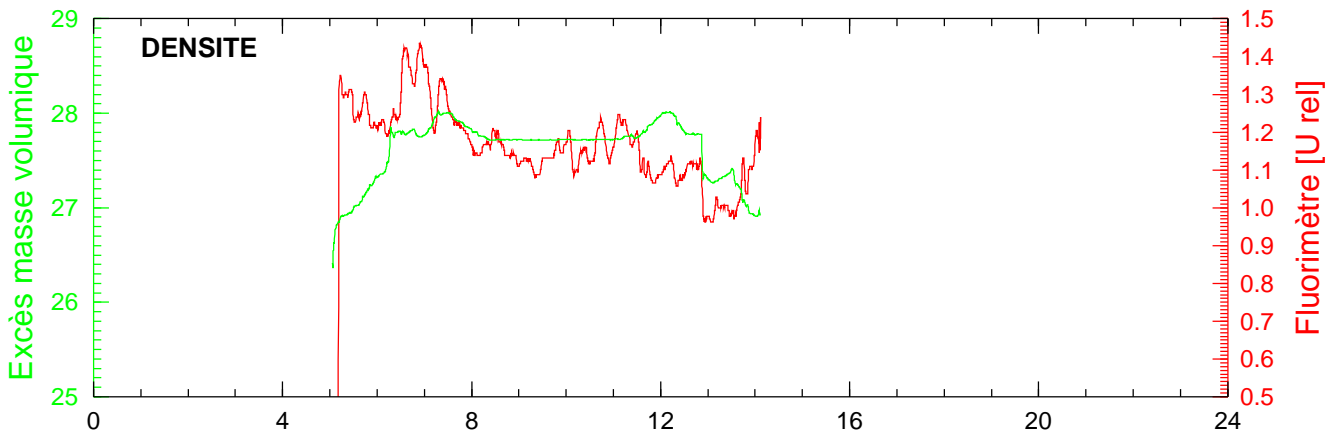
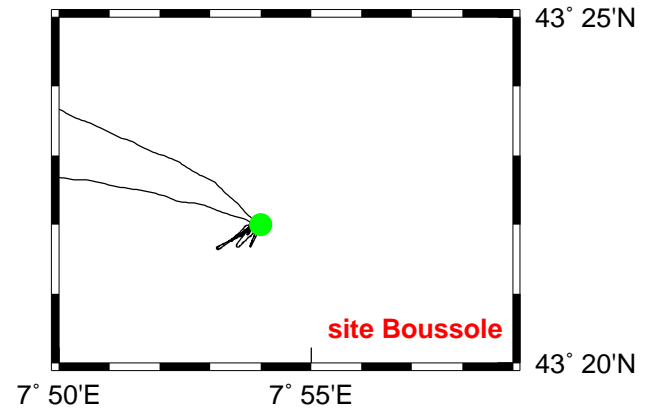
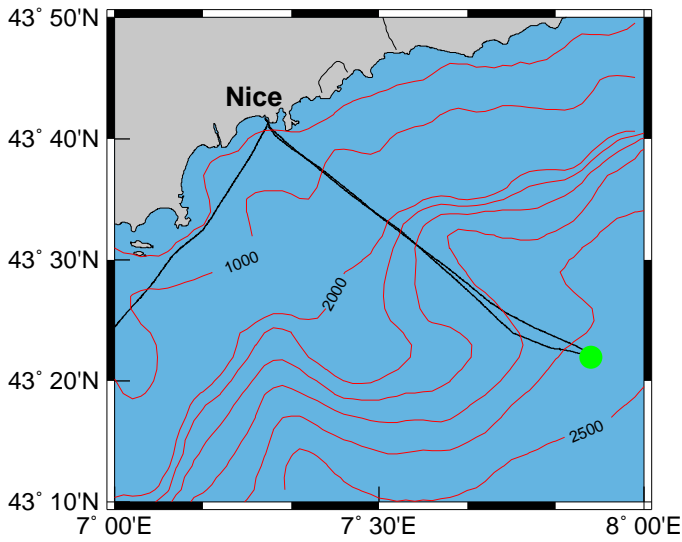
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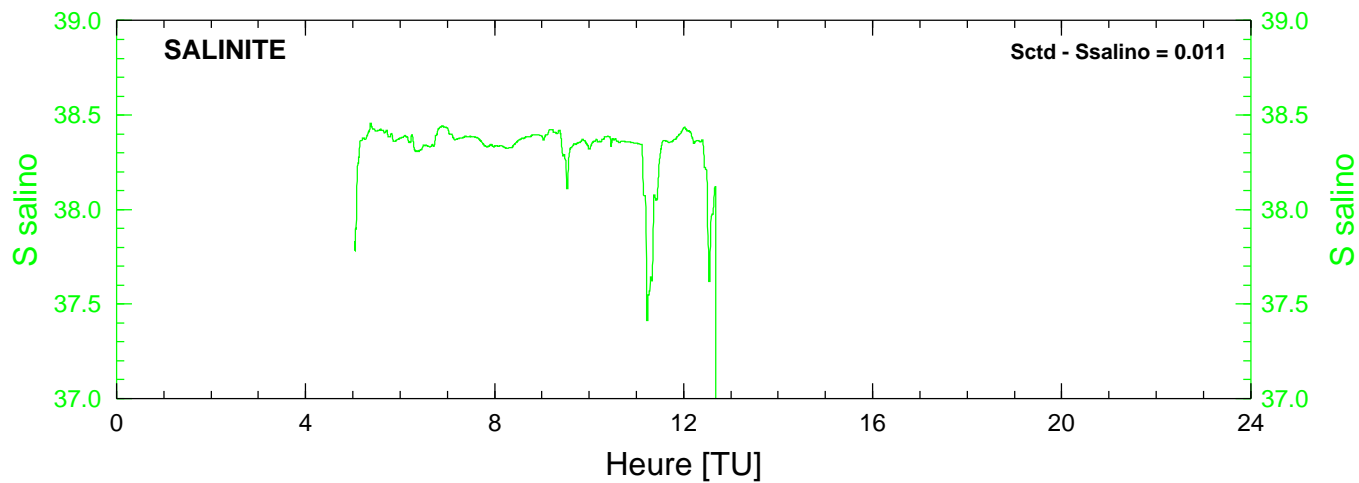
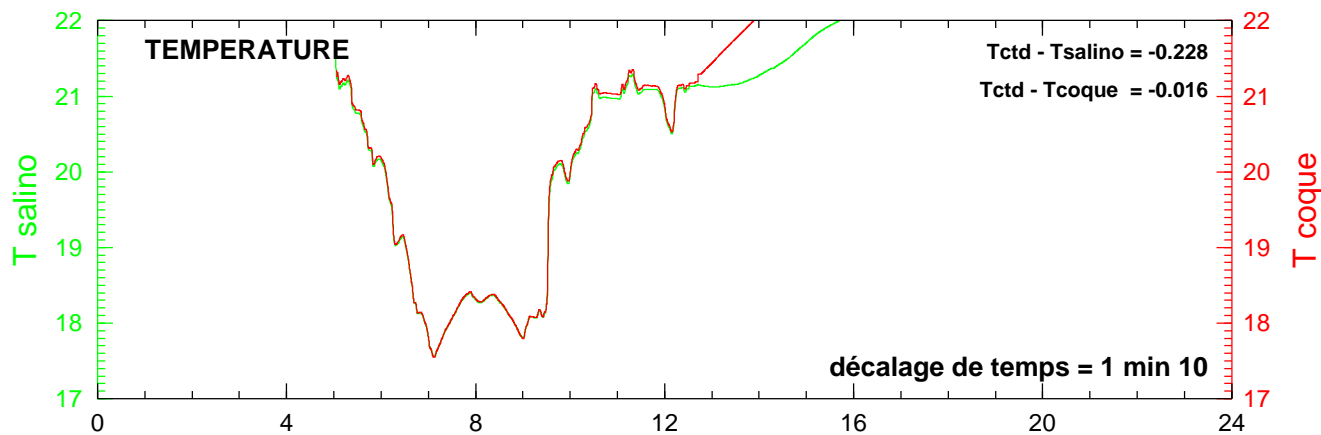
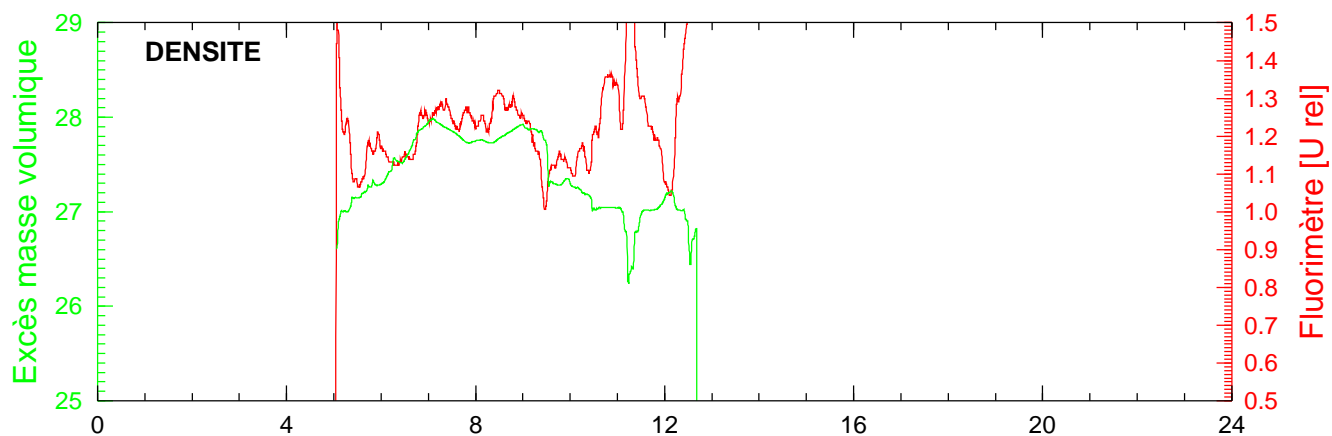
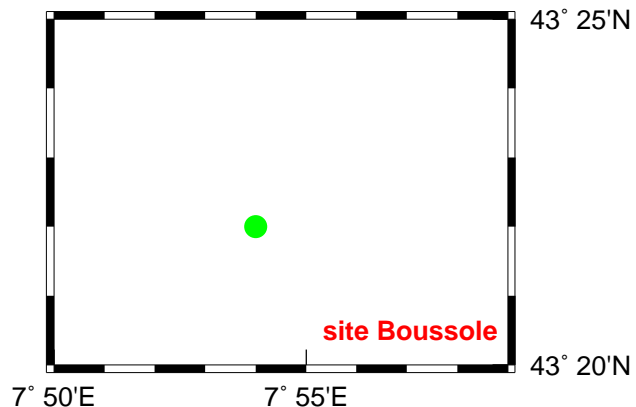
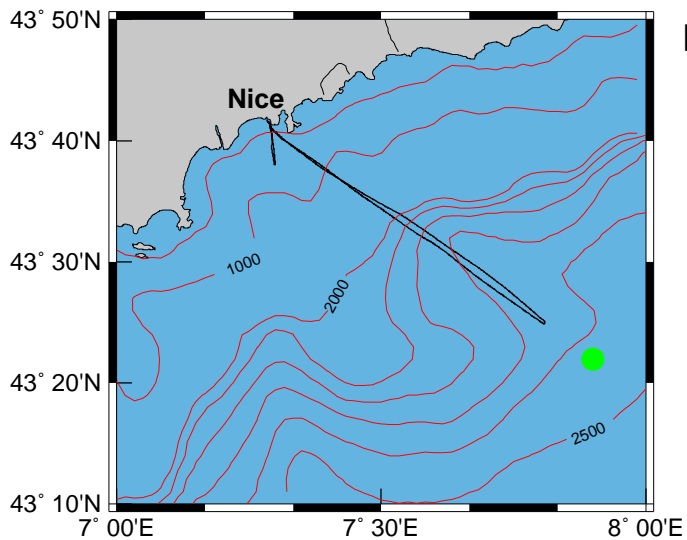
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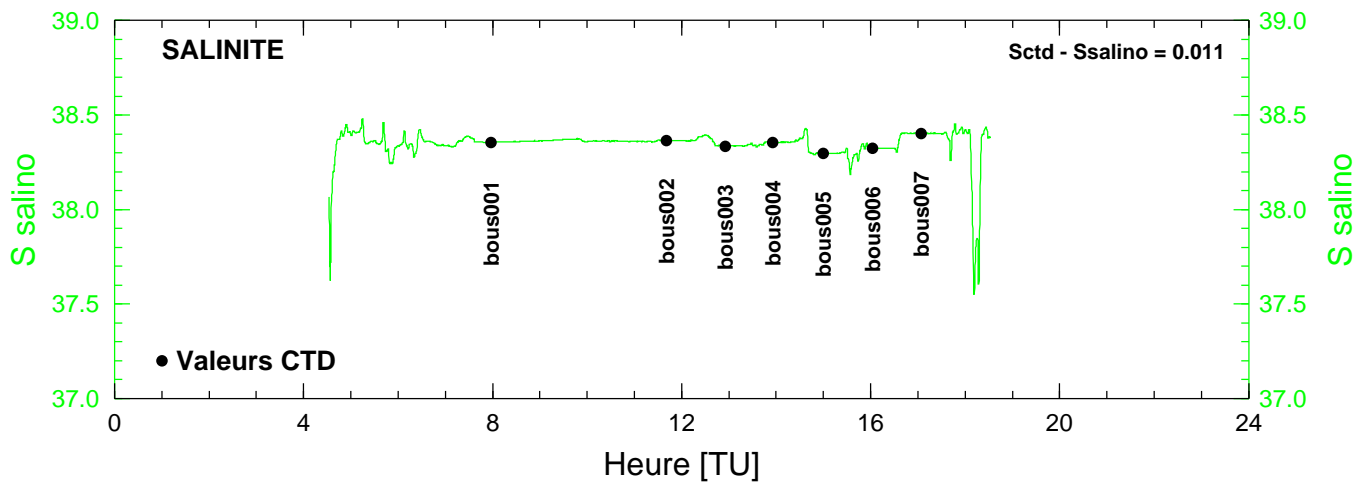
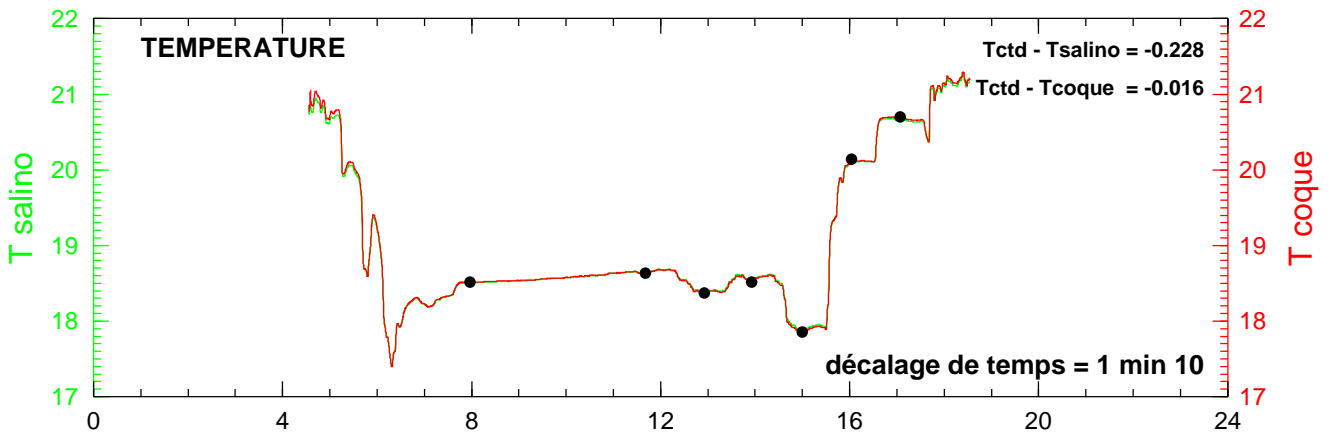
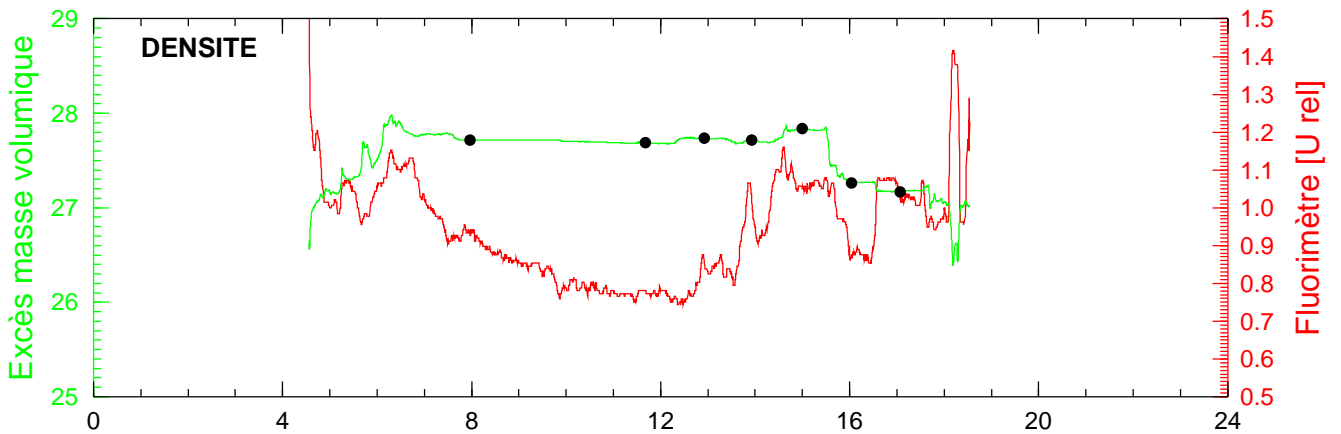
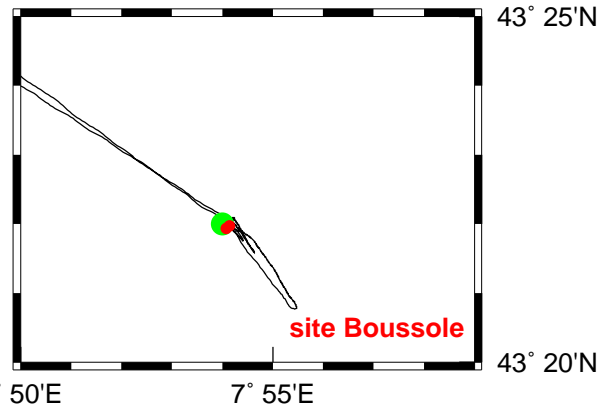
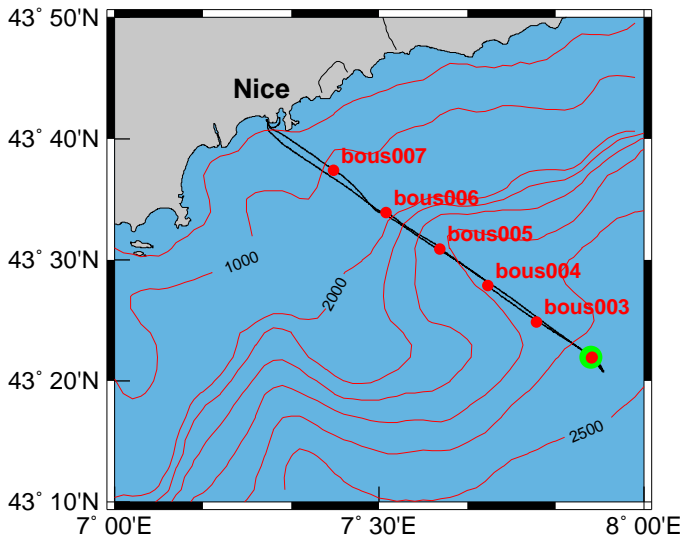
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