## **RRS James Cook JC114**

## **Cruise Report**

# OSCAR – Oceanographic and Seismic Characterisation of heat dissipation and alteration by hydrothermal fluids at an Axial Ridge



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### **Summary**

The OSCAR research programme in the Panama Basin consisted of three cruises on the RRS JAMES COOK, namely JC112, JC113 and JC114, and a single cruise on the FS SONNE, SO238. This cruise report relates to JC114 but should be read in conjunction with the reports for the other cruises involved in the OSCAR project as a whole.

The primary objective of JC114 was to collect geophysical data around the Costa Rica Rift (North Grid, NG) and Ocean Drilling Programme borehole 504B (South Grid, SG), including both high and low resolution normal incidence multichannel seismic reflection data, wide-angle seismic refraction using both ocean-bottom seismographs and the synthetic aperture (SAP) approach, potential field data (gravity and magnetics), swath bathymetry depth and backscatter data, and shallow sub-bottom profiler data.

During the cruise 3500 line-km of multichannel seismic reflection profiles were acquired of which 1000 line-km were synthetic aperture using two ships to synthesize an 8.5 km streamer. This cruise was the first time that the NERC and its National Marine Facility has supported and undertaken such a two-ship synthetic aperture seismic acquisition. All but 400 line-km where shot with a dual source to simultaneously acquire both high and low resolution images. Most of the seismic shots were also recorded on ocean bottom seismometers (OBS). Eighty-three OBS were deployed which included two specially designed vertical hydrophone arrays to directly measure the source signature. Together the OBS recorded over 3000 line-km of wide-angle seismic refraction data. In the each of the two 3D grids over 250000 shots were recorded and on the SAP 70000 shots were recorded. Data quality is generally excellent and was first-pass processed through-out the cruise for quality control purposes. This cruise was the first to use heavier bottom weights for the OBS which has resulted in outstanding recordings of shear-waves propagated through the oceanic crust and overlaying sediment.

During the cruise, continuous swath mapping of the area and adjacent fracture zones revealed evidence for significant off-axis volcanic activity including a potentially new volcanic centre that was not mapped on the 2008 GEBCO compilation.

## 1. Cruise objectives

## **1.1 Introduction**

The cooling of young oceanic crust is the principal physical process responsible for removing heat from the solid Earth to the hydrosphere. Close to a mid-ocean ridge, rapid cooling is dominated by hydrothermal circulation of seawater through the porous and fractured basalt crust. This hydrothermal fluid is then discharged into the ocean mainly along the ridge through distinct vents called 'black smokers'. The primary objective of this interdisciplinary project is to investigate the effects of this heat loss and hydrothermal circulation on both the solid Earth and the ocean. The data collected as part of the OSCAR project will be used to derive an integrated circulation model, that will be constrained by geophysical, geological and physical oceanography data, which will include fluxes through the seabed.

From a geological viewpoint, understanding of the dynamics of the heat exchange mechanism in the solid Earth requires the resolution of small-scale structural and morphological characteristics of the upper crustal interface between the heat source and ocean. The location of permeability zones and conduits that control the fluid movement is hotly debated, as is the geological nature of seismically imaged layers and their boundaries. Many contradictory models exist, and the majority of these are based on observations made at ridge axes, and do not include the variation in physical properties of the upper crust as it ages and spreads off-axis. OSCAR aims to resolve this debate by acquiring a new geophysical dataset of the upper oceanic crust from ridge axis to ridge flanks, in a location where not only has a spatial variability in heat flux been observed, but also where there is hydrological, geological and geophysical control provided by one of the deepest boreholes drilled to date, into the oceanic crust at site Ocean Drilling Programme (ODP) borehole 504B.



Figure 1.1. Modelled temperature difference (°C) at 3500 m depth caused by spatially distributed geothermal heating based on the age of ocean crust (Hofmann & Maqueda, 2009).

From an oceanographic viewpoint, it has been generally assumed that geothermal heating only has a small effect on global circulation, but recent modelling has demonstrated that this assumption is wrong and geothermal heating has an influence on mixing in the abyssal ocean and wider effects on the global thermohaline circulation (Fig 1.1). The modelling is parameterised on a coarse grid and results are based on passive heating above an impermeable seabed and, hence, do not include the dynamic uplift created by the hydrothermal plumes which may, through entrainment, provide a mechanism to lift the cold dense water away from the bottom boundary layer. The coarse resolution of the simulations also means that any large contrasts in the spatial distribution of geothermal and hydrothermal fluxes are not properly represented. In this project, direct measurements of ocean circulation and vertical mixing along a ridge axis and across its flanks have been made, and will be used to build the first high resolution regional ocean-crust model that accounts for both geothermal

heat and mass fluxes through the seafloor.

The aims of the OSCAR project require an interdisciplinary dataset which integrates both physical oceanography and geophysical characteristics. Using these data, a new integrated model of the ocean and hydrothermal circulations at active ocean ridges and ridge flanks will be parameterised. This model will provide valuable insight and new constraints on the thermal processes involved, and will set a new benchmark for integrated Earth-system experiments, resulting in both a new representation of the geothermal fluid and heat fluxes at mid-ocean ridges and a better understanding of what geophysical and oceanographic data can actually resolve in the context of an oceanic axial ridge setting.

The coupling of the ocean and the lithosphere through hydrothermal flow, and the impacts of this flow on both the evolution of the oceanic crust and basin-scale ocean circulation, are the central themes of the OSCAR project.

## 1.2 Study area

A comprehensive investigation of the interaction between geothermal flow and oceanic mixing and circulation requires a combined field and modelling approach in a geothermally active region, with significant tidal and thermohaline circulation, mixing and upwelling. Also, to address the geophysical and geological effects of this hydrothermal flux requires an active spreading ridge with geological constraints provided by a borehole within a distance that can be surveyed within a single geophysical experiment.

The Panama Basin (Fig. 1.2), which contains the Costa Rica Ridge (CRR) and ODP borehole 504B, is an ideal laboratory for the investigation of these processes. There is a wealth of existing oceanographic, geophysical, geological and geochemical data acquired over many years in independent studies including: numerous heat flow measurements around 504B; detailed down-hole geological and geophysical logging; multichannel seismic (MCS) reflection and ocean-bottom seismograph (OBS) surveys over the CRR and 504B respectively; and physical oceanography (PO) data including part of a World Ocean Circulation Experiment (WOCE) profile.



Figure 1.2. Map of the Panama Basin 10° bounded by the Cocos and Carnegie Ridges. The spreading centre (white dashed line) and the EFZ (Ecuador Fracture Zone) and the PFZ (Panama Fracture Zone) which bound the CRR (Costa Rica Ridge) are marked. WOCE P19 is the track of the World Ocean Circulation Experiment PO profile; ODP drill sites are marked as dots, as are the location of sills and their respective depths (parallel lines). The white shaded box shows the principal research area for *JC114*. -2°

The Panama Basin itself is a small ocean basin in which the direct effects of geothermal heating on ocean temperature and circulation can be measured and studied in relative isolation from large scale influences. Taking the 2300 m isobath as the basin's natural lateral boundary, then its area is a mere  $7 \times 10^5 \text{ km}^2$ . The lateral communication between the basin and the rest of the Pacific Ocean only occurs through the 2920 m deep Ecuador Trench and the shallow (2330 m) sill of the Carnegie Ridge. It is the isolation of the basin from external influences, except inflow through the Ecuador Trench and downward mixing from above, that makes it an ideal location for the investigation of geothermal and hydrothermal oceanographic impacts.

The inflow through the Ecuador Trench was estimated by Lonsdale (1977) at 0.35 Sv. The average geothermal flux in the basin can be estimated from the digital age map of the ocean floor (Müller et al., 1997) and the Stein & Stein (1992) formula for linking the age of the bedrock to the heat flow through the crust. The basin-averaged geothermal heat flux is 273 mWm<sup>-2</sup>, which is more than three times the global average. The inflow potential temperature at the Peru Basin end of the Ecuador Trench is 1.75 °C and, on average, the potential temperature of the outflowing water at 2300 m is 2.0 °C (Locarnini et al., 2009). Including these values the following interesting results emerge:

- the geothermal heat flux on its own is sufficient to heat up the basin by almost 0.15 °C, and explains nearly 55% of the water temperature increase as fluid transits through the basin;
- the remaining 45% is the energy necessary to heat the water in the basin to the observed value, and must be provided by downward diffusion, with a vertical diffusivity at 2300 m of around  $1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$ , a value which is about 10 times larger that the canonical open ocean background mixing rate (e.g. Polzin et al., 1997).

These simple calculations strongly support the notion that geothermal heat flow plays a central role in the energy balance of the Panama Basin.

## **1.3 Project objectives**

The OSCAR project is underpinned by six basic questions about the solid Earth and ocean system that were addressed during cruises JC112, JC113, JC114 and SO238. These questions revolve around a better understanding of shallow oceanic crustal structure and how fluid flows through it and conveys heat to the overlying ocean. A schematic definition of the oceanic crust is shown in Fig. 1.3, with the possible fluid flow paths marked.



Figure 1.3. Cartoon showing the structure of the ocean crust from the Costa Rica Ridge to 504B. The blue and red arrows are indicative of the water and heat flow in the crust and ocean.

- a) *What is the layer 2A/B interface?* At the mid-ocean ridge axis this interface is understood to represent the transition from a layer of extrusive flows to the dyke feeder system as defined by changes in the velocity gradient. As the crust ages the velocity gradient gets perturbed by chemical alteration resulting from hydrothermal circulation. The relationship between velocity and geological structure can be calibrated at 504B located some 6 Ma off-axis. The objective here is to geophysically map the transition from axis to borehole.
- b) **Do dykes play a significant role in fluid flow on- and off-axis?** Despite their relatively low porosities, dykes have been shown by micro-earthquake and anisotropy studies to be important for ridge crest and near ridge crest hydrothermal circulation. Electromagnetic studies also show that hydrothermal fluids penetrate to the deeper parts of layer 2 and to a significant distance in the off-axis region, but their role in ridge flank fluid flow is unclear. The objective is to estimate crack density and orientation within a few kilometers of the ridge axis and how this changes on the ridge flanks.
- c) *How do faults in the upper crust influence the flow of fluids between crust and ocean?* Tectonic features are thought to play an important role in fluid flow at upper crustal levels providing pathways through impermeable layers. For example, flow in faults beneath sediment layers on the ridge flanks, in areas without significant basement outcrop, has been proposed to explain the discrepancy between predicted and observed heat flow. The objective is to map heat flow (cruise JC113) variation relative to surface topography using swath bathymetry data, and the relationship to basement structure determined using seismic reflection and sub-bottom profiler data.
- d) *What is the role of geothermal fluxes in establishing and maintaining the heat budget of an abyssal basin?* Theoretical observations and global ocean models indicate that geothermal heating has a strong thermodynamic signature in the abyssal ocean, of the order of 0.3 to 0.5 °C, and is a key control on the abyssal circulation. However, observational evidence of the impact of geothermal and hydrothermal processes on the ocean circulation of any particular basin is, to the best of our knowledge, non-existent. The objective is to quantify the influence of geothermal heating on the observed temperature in the Panama Basin.
- e) *How does the basin-scale distribution of diapycnal mixing depend on the distribution and intensity of geothermal heating and hydrothermal venting?* We anticipate that all the mixing regimes in which geothermal processes play a role can be characterised by sampling along the axial ridge valley, the ridge flanks and adjacent fracture zones. Current, temperature, salinity, turbidity and <sup>3</sup>He/<sup>4</sup>He concentrations were measured at all depths over a spring-neap tidal cycle during JC112 and JC113. The objective is to constrain detailed basin-scale modelling of the water flow in the Panama Basin.
- f) What is the importance of fluid exchange between the crust and the deep ocean? In all ocean modelling studies to date, geothermal forcing is synonymous with heat flux. None of these studies has considered the relative importance of fluid (mass) exchanges between the crust and the ocean. We know that high-temperature hydrothermal fluid is distributed over very long distances by the large-scale circulation and that significant hydrothermal flow occurs at low temperatures. The objective is to build three-dimensional coupled solid Earth ocean models to explore the influence of mass exchange and tidal forcing on geothermal heat flux.

The data from cruise JC114 directly addresses the first three (a, b & c) of these OSCAR objectives.

## 1.4 Cruise plan

The plan was to collect seismic data throughout the study area (Fig. 1.4) and, in particular, within two grids located at the CRR and 504B drill-hole, connected by flow-line profiles. The acquisition programme was split into three parts:

- 1) a dense grid of profiles at the CRR, with 25 OBSs deployed in a 5x5 grid with a node spacing of 5 km. Reflection data to be acquired along five E-W and five N-S profiles that would pass over the nodes (the North Grid, NG) and vertical array VA\_01;
- 2) a second identical OBS grid centred on the ODP 504B borehole with a similar set of reflection profiles (the South Grid, SG) and vertical array VA\_02; and
- 3) three 270 km-long synthetic aperture profiles joining the two grids, with OBSs deployed along the central profile (Synthetic Aperture Profiles, SAP).



For JC114 seismic source had to perform a number of functions. Firstly, provide a high resolution image of the sedimentary cover over the oceanic basalt basement. Secondly, provide sufficient low frequency seismic energy for entire crust and uppermost mantle wide-angle acquisition. Finally, enable imaging of structure within the oceanic crust, crust itself, when the either the seabed or the sub-seabed basement surface are highly heterogeneous and scattering. Consequently, three arrays were designed: a) a GI-airgun array to provide the higher frequency sediment column and shallow basement imaging; b) a medium frequency, low volume Bolt-airgun array to provide the shallow-to-mid-crustal wide-angle imaging; and c) a low-frequency mid-to-large volume G-airgun array to provide the deep crustal-to-uppermost mantle wide-angle imaging. The GI and Bolt arrays were towed from the COOK and the G array was towed from the SONNE for the synthetic aperture acquisition only.

## 1.5 Trials cruise (JC110)

Prior to transiting the Panama Canal at the start of JC112/JC113, there was a short trails cruise to install and test the seismic system with the acquisition parameters required for JC114. This trials included deployment of the various COOK airgun source arrays and the multichannel streamer, and tested the Sercel SEAL data acquisition system by firing a number of test shots, with parameters set to those specified for JC114, and recording them. Also the maximum safe turning rate was established for both the 1500 and 4500 m-long streamer configurations and whether or not turns could be undertaken in both the port and starboard directions with all, or part of the towed equipment fully deployed.

The trials identified a number of problems and issues. Firstly, the allocated technical support staff were not fully aware of the acquisition parameters that the trials was supposed to test. However, this was mitigated by the presence of a senior member of the science party for JC114, who could explain the requirements to the seismic sub-contractor providing the shot firing and data recording hardware, and ensure tests were configured to meet requirements. Secondly, the time allocated to actual testing was too short to fully assess capability and ensure compliance with the specification since periods of data acquisition were limited to a few hours at best. In this context the inability to tow the Bolt array components consistently and reliably at the prescribed depth was not fully apparent, and neither was the software failure that occurred with the data-logging system at the maximum required trace length which was within the design specification as defined by Sercel. The consequences of these issues will be addressed in Sections 2.2.2 & 2.3.1.

It was observed during the trials that the front end of the streamer was very buoyant and towed too shallowly and would, at the very least, need ballasting before use during JC114, and possibly even a longer lead-in section in addition. Also it was found that whilst towing both the airguns and the multichannel streamer only starboard turns were possible to avoid the streamer tangling with the floatation buoys for the Bolt sub-arrays. The risk of entanglement is exacerbated by the propeller wash from the Cook's twin screw propulsion which draws towed equipment towards the vessel centre-line. All turns conducted whilst towing were conducted to starboard which, in some cases, would add significant amount of time to planned the acquisition, especially so for the grid surveys.

Finally, although not strictly NERC policy as yet, it is accepted that NERC-funded scientific cruises should follow the UK's Joint Nature Conservancy Committee's regulations on the mitigation of acoustic noise in the water column as best practise. As such, scientific cruises are generally required to comply with these regulations and provide an environmental impact assessment (EIA) and a marine mammal observer (MMO). This appears not to be a convention that is followed by the National Marine Facility for its seismic trials, although the same equipment is in use and the same acoustic signals are being propagated into the water column as would be the case for JC114. In the case of the JC110 trials, the scientific observer was a qualified MMO and acted on this basis as an ad hoc measure as the request of the COOK's Master.

On the basis of the JC110 trials outcome we recommend the following:

- a) that a senior member of the scientific party is required to particulate in any trials cruise;
- b) that a trials cruise is of sufficient duration and sufficient technically manned such that significant duration (e.g at least 24-hr operations) "soak" testing of systems can be accomplished;
- c) for hired equipment, the technical support accompanying that hire for the trials cruise is specified to be the same as that to be provided for the science cruise itself; and
- d) that seismic trials are subject to the same EIA and MMO requirements as scientific cruises.

## 2 Seismic equipment

The aims of the seismic acquisition during JC114 were as follows:

- 1) to image the axial magma chamber (AMC) originally surveyed during R/V Maurice Ewing cruise EW9416 to the Costa Rica Ridge;
- 2) to image the geometry, thickness and depositional characteristics of the sedimentary succession throughout the study area;
- 3) to locate the 2A/2B boundary within the upper oceanic crust and determine its variation in properties with age;
- 4) to provide wave-field data for full-waveform inversion of the upper crust to the base of layer 2; and
- 5) to map the intra-crustal layering and velocity structure and depth to Moho.

To achieve these aims the following seismic systems were utilised:

- 1) ocean-bottom seismic data-loggers (OBS) and GPS loggers provided by OBIF;
- 2) air-gun seismic source provided by NMF;
- 3) gun controllers, multichannel seismic streamer and data-logger provided by Exploration Electronics Ltd

The seismic source had to meet a diversity of expectations from high-frequency high-resolution imaging of the sediments to low-frequency for long-offset OBS records. To address this problem up to three sources were used for a single profile: GI-airguns provided energy at high-frequency (25-120 Hz); Bolt-airguns provided energy at mid-frequencies (10-75 Hz) and G-airguns provided energy at low-frequencies (6-32 Hz). Design of the sources is discussed in section 2.2. Timing of these sources was critical to the success of the project, this is discussed in section 2.1.

## 2.1 Shot firing

On the COOK two Avalon RSS-2 gun controllers were used to fire each of the GI- and Bolt-airgun arrays while for G-airgun array on the SONNE, the shot firing was controlled by a Real Time Systems Long-shot system.

The COOK shots for each set of lines were manually started on each gun controller with the GIairgun array being fired first (at time zero) and the Bolt-airgun array fired second with a 6 s delay after the GI airguns (the combination of both shots is defined as a shot pattern). The delay was chosen to avoid the seabed-sea surface multiple of the GI shots coinciding with the primary arrivals from the Bolt shots at the OBS stations. For the NG amd SG profiles, the shot pattern was repeated on a 30 s interval. For the SAP surveys the pattern interval was increased to 60 s to include the SONNE G-airgun array which was fired at 30 s after time zero. For the EX profiles the pattern interval was 20 s and for RS\_A and RS\_B the interval was 15 s and 60 s respectively. The shot firing timing diagram is shown in Fig. 2.1 together with a summary in Table 1. Throughout the cruise the ship speed through the water was kept as close to 4.9 knts as possible to ensure a constant drag on the source array so the guns would maintain a constant depth to give source signature stability. Due to the effect of wind driven surface currents this results in a variable shot spacing see Appendix B. All shot times and locations were logged against GPS synchronised clocks provided by OBIF.

The SEAL seismic acquisition system (Section 2.3) was triggered by the GI-airgun controller (except for line RS\_B which was triggered by the Bolt-airgun controller). The recorded trace record starts 50 ms prior to shot "aim point", the maximum amplitude of the initial acoustic pulse, with the trace length optimised for each group of profiles see Table 1 and Appendix B. For the EX, NG & SG profiles each shot record contains both the GI- and Bolt-airgun source. For the SAP profiles

each shot record contains the GI-, Bolt- and the SONNE G-airgun source (note the G-airgun source controller was set with a different "aim point" delay (see Section 2.3.3); for profiles RS\_A and RS\_B the shot record contains the GI- or Bolt-airgun source respectively. A shot record on the multichannel streamer from an SAP profile shown in Fig. 2.2, this record is then divided into individual shot records as shown in Fig. 2.3.

| Profile | Shot pattern repetition<br>interval (s) | SEAL record length (s)                                 |
|---------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| EX      | 20                                      | 17                                                     |
| NG, SG  | 30                                      | 27                                                     |
| SAP     | 60                                      | 47 (revised to 41 to avoid SEAL data recording issues) |
| RS_A    | 15                                      | 10                                                     |
| RS_B    | 60                                      | 17                                                     |

*Table 1. Summary of shot timing and multichannel seismic reflection record length, for full details see Appendix B.* 



Figure 2.1. Timing diagrams showing trigger, shot fire time "aim point", logged shot time and record length for the multichannel seismic reflection data: (a) timing for the NG and SG profiles; (b) timing for the SAP profiles; (c) timing for the RS profiles.



Figure 2.2. Shot record from SAP\_A showing the three separate shots GI-, Bolt- and G-airgun arrays recorded on a single composite record. GI array fired at 0.05 s; Bolt array fired at 6.05 s and the G array shot fired at 30.08 s. Swell breakout noise tended to be more severe on the near-offset channels due to the front section (channels 1-12) being shallower than the specified depth of 10 m despite ballasting. For processing each shot type is extracted into its own separate record as shown in Fig. 2.3.



Figure 2.3. Extracted 10 s records for each of shot type: (a) GI shot; (b) Bolt shot; (c) G-gun shot.

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## 2.2 Seismic sources

The diverse range of objectives posed a problem for optimum airgun source design. Imaging the sediment column requires a high-frequency seismic signal to resolve the fine-scale layering, whereas the wide-angle, whole crustal imaging requires a low-frequency signal to mitigate against attenuation. Additional constraints on the number and type of airgun arrays that could be towed were imposed by the limited available deck space. Consequently, the plan was to deploy six Boltairguns on two sub-array beams on the port side, together with a two GI-airguns on a single 3 m beam on the starboard side (Fig. 2.4).

An added complication was that GI- and Bolt-airguns prefer to operate at different pressures – 3000 psi in the case of GI-airguns and 2000 psi in the case of Bolt-airguns. However, the high pressure air manifold on the COOK can only distribute air at a single pressure. Consequently, the GI-airguns were operated at 2000 psi which degraded their output to some extent.



Figure 2.4. Layout of airgun sources and streamer used for the NG, SG, EX and SAP profiles; red – GI sub-array; blue – Bolt sub-array; filled stars represent centre-sub-array locations; the open star represents the additional single Bolt 500 in<sup>3</sup> gun towed for the EX, SG and RS\_B profiles.

The source needed to provide a stable and consistent source signature to support waveform inversion. Previous experience of using airgun sub-array beams supported by a single float at the rear (e.g. RRS Discovery cruise D318) showed that, using the normal NMF approach, the beams carrying the Bolt guns do not tow horizontal and that the airgun depth of the lead (nearest stern) gun is strongly effected by tow speed through the water and distance behind ship. To meet the aims of OSCAR the beams were buoyed at both ends. For the longest-offset data data acquisition, a low frequency seismic source was provided by the SONNE during SO238, which comprised G-airguns towed using a J-rail deployment system. Details of exact seismic source configurations adopted for each profile acquired during JC114 are listed in Appendix A, and are summarised below in terms of their generic type.

## 2.2.1 High-resolution source

The high-resolution source consisted of a pair of GI-airguns configured to operate in harmonic mode (generator and injector chambers of the same size), towed 3 m apart one behind the other on a beam, with depth of tow controlled by a single buoy on a 5 m rope. Each gun had a total volume of 210 in<sup>3</sup> (105/105 in<sup>3</sup>) and was operated at a pressure of 2000 psi for the reasons outlined above. This array was towed from a single point on the port quarter as it was small and light enough be retrieved using a deck mounted winch.

One of the synthetic aperture profiles (SAP\_A) was co-located with a series of heat flow probe measurements made during JC113. This was reshot during JC114 (profile RS\_A) to image the sediment column and basement surface at high resolution to best-constrain the geological setting of these heat flow measurements. The GI-airgun array was reconfigured to a tow depth of 3 m and multichannel streamer to a tow depth of 3 m (up to group 120) and 5 m (groups 121-360) to achieve the highest resolution possible with the available systems.

The GI high-resolution source was fired first all profiles was used as the reference time  $(T_0)$  for the other sources and trigger for the Sercel recording system (Fig. 2.1), except the final low-resolution line RS\_B where the GI-airgun array was not used.

## 2.2.2 Medium-resolution source

The medium-resolution source design consisted on six Bolt 1500LL airguns towed on two beams of three-airguns each giving a total volume of 1320 in<sup>3</sup> fired at 2000 psi. The beams were buoyed at both ends to ensure the 8 m-defined source depth was kept constant irrespective of the speed through the water. This source was designed to provide a lower resolution reflection image of the sediment column and crust, ideally down to Moho depth, and also act as the source for the wide-angle OBS acquisition within the North and South Grids (NG and SG profiles) and SAP-B profile out to ranges of 30 km from an OBS, that should result in the recording of signals having travelled through the crust down to the Moho.

The source was initially comprised of six airguns (2x100, 120, 200, 300 and 500 in<sup>3</sup>). Fig. 2.5 shows the predicted source signature for this array. The array was designed using the PGS Nucleus+ software provided to Durham University under an academic license. During the cruise the source was modified to overcome operational issues, which did not become apparent during the JC110 trials cruise. The original design layout was for the larger guns (300 and 500 in<sup>3</sup>) to be at the front of each beam sub-array as per industry convention. In this position, the 500 in<sup>3</sup> airgun repeatedly failed with a sheared air-line connector, thought to result from recoil of the gun body and collision against the tow beam when more rigidly constrained at depth by towing floats fore and aft. As a test, the front float was removed. Though this cured the problem, the beam no longer towed horizontally at the specified depth at profiling speed and umbilical tow length. These factors play a significant part in determining the waveform shape generated by the array and consequently will impact on data quality, resolution and use for waveform inversion. The next iteration was to reverse the airgun order on the beams putting the 300 and 500 in<sup>3</sup> airguns in the aft positions so that there was no beam directly astern to collide with on recoil, and reverting to double floating to control the tow depth and horizontal geometry. Although this prevented any further shearing of the air-line connector, there was repeated failure of the air hose to the 500 in<sup>3</sup> airgun. The final iteration was to remove the 500 in<sup>3</sup> airgun from the sub-array entirely and replace it with a spare 300 in<sup>3</sup> airgun, thus reducing the total array volume but the array was now reliable.

#### Array : Cook

Volume : 1320 cubic inches



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To ensure sufficient signal amplitude and low-frequency content for the deeper crust-uppermost mantle OBS tomography, for the the reshoot profile (RS\_B) into the OBSs located on profile SAP\_B and the EX and SG profiles, an additional 500 in<sup>3</sup> was towed as a single airgun (no float) from the stern through the A-frame. Towing without flotation meant there was no absolute control on the tow depth of this airgun although, judging from the bubble rise time, it appeared to be ~8 m. An estimated source wavelet for this modified source assuming tow depth of 8 m is shown in Fig. 2.5. The main difference is an increase in the peak-to-peak amplitude and a decrease in the peak to bubble ratio. For the two-ship, synthetic aperture acquisition with the SONNE, the 500 in<sup>3</sup> airgun was not used as the low-frequency, deeper imaging signals were provided by the SONNE G-airgun array.

The medium-resolution source was fired at  $T_0+6$  s (6 s after the GI-airgun array) along all profiles except the high-resolution RS\_A where it was but not used. On RS\_B the GI-airgun was not used and this source was fired at  $T_0$ .

## 2.2.3 Low-resolution source

This source was configured as a nine G-airgun array towed by the SONNE. The resulting signals were recorded by the multichannel streamer towed by the COOK and the OBSs deployed along SAP-B. The total volume of this array was 4280 in<sup>3</sup> and it was fired at 3000 psi. Layout and prediced source is shown in Fig. 2.6. The objective to provide low-frequency energy for long-offset wide-angle OBSs recording along the synthetic aperture profiles was fulfilled, with usable data recorded to >80 km offset. However, as a second seismic source for the synthetic aperture profile itself, the source proved just adequate as the shape of the initial pulse was poor with evidence of poor gun synchronisation.

The low-resolution source was fired at  $T_0+30$  s (30 s after the GI-gun array).

For analysis of the OBS and to be able to merge the G-gun shots with the Bolt shots required that both ships shoot against a common GPS time standard. To fulfil this requirement, GEOMAR, the provider of the source for the SONNE, had developed a GPS synchronised trigger box which sent a trigger pulse to their Real Time Systems gun controller. The shot timing logging systems were connected to this trigger and logged a time that was 10 ms later than the actual trigger time. The clock time break (CTB) output of the airgun controller is the actual "aim point" that the controller uses to synchronise the peak acoustic output of the individual guns. The delay between the trigger and the CTB is dictated by the default settings or the slowest firing airgun, with the fire pulses for the other airguns in the array dynamically adjusted to the CTB on a shot-by-shot basis. The shot time required to process the synthetic aperture data is the CTB not the external GPS trigger pulse. When analysing the shot log from the SONNE the error became apparent as it was not possible to match the arrival times of the shots fired by the COOK and SONNE with the recordings made by the multichannel streamer. Discussion with the science party on the SONNE, provided evidence that CTB delay was set to 80 ms after trigger (or 70 ms after the logged time). This was tested by comparing the time of arrival of the direct wave recorded on an OBS from shots fired by the COOK and SONNE. A delay between the two sources was observed which, to within picking uncertainty, confirmed this 80 ms delay and thus gave confidence that this was the default SONNE gun controller system setting. Application of the calculated shifts to the multichannel reflection data correctly aligned the recorded reflected and refracted arrivals so that the shots from the Bolt- and Gairgun sources could then be merged to synthesise a 8.5 km streamer (Fig. 2.7).

#### Array : Sonne

Volume : 4280 cubic inches





Figure 2.7. Left: merged shots from the COOK (blue) and SONNE (red) before correction. Right: merged shots after correction, note the improved match in the overlap zone between 4.2 and 4.5 km offset. A 300 m overlap between shot recordings from each vessel was purposely designed to verify geometry.

## 2.3 Seismic receivers

Three types of seismic receivers were used during JC114:

- a) a towed Sercel multichannel streamer hired from Exploration Electronics Ltd. (EEL), together with a Sercel SEAL 428 acquisition system;
- b) ocean-bottom seismographs provided by the NERC's Ocean-Bottom Instrumentation Facility (OBIF); and
- c) vertical hydrophone arrays, bespoke designed and built by OBIF with moorings provided by the National Marine Facility's (NMF) Moorings Group.

## 2.3.1 Multichannel streamer and acquisition system

A 4500 m length of Sercel Isopar-filled multichannel streamer was used for JC114. This streamer was wound onto a winch provided by NMF and consisted of, outboard-to-inboard:

- 1) tail buoy with light and radar reflector;
- 2) tow rope  $\sim$ 50 m in length followed by a 50 m stretch section;
- 3) 30 active sections each 150 m long and with 12 active channels with a LAUM power/digitiser/relay unit located every 5 sections;
- 4) depth control birds with compasses every two sections (300 m apart) for 4500 m streamer; configuration and every section (150 m apart) for the 1500 m streamer configuration;
- 5) two 50 m spring sections;
- 6) armoured lead-in cable.

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| Front Group<br>number                            | <del></del> | 13       | 25        | 37       | 49        |          | 61          | 73        | 85        | 67          | 109       |      | 121       | 133              | 145       | 157         | 169          |                                      |                   |           |
| Approximate group<br>offset from vessel<br>stern | 170         | 320      | 470       | 620      | 770       |          | 920         | 1070      | 1220      | 1370        | 1520      |      | 1670      | 1820             | 1970      | 2120        | 2270         |                                      |                   |           |
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| Front Group<br>number                            | 181         | 193      | 205       | 217      | 229       |          | 241         | 253       | 265       | 277         | 289       |      | 301       | 313              | 325       | 337         | 349          |                                      |                   |           |
| Approximate group<br>offset from vessel<br>stern | 2420        | 2570     | 2720      | 2870     | 3020      |          | 3170        | 3320      | 3470      | 3620        | 3770      |      | 3920      | 4070             | 4220      | 4370        | 4520         |                                      |                   |           |
| Bird Number                                      | ALS<br>9    | ALS      | ALS<br>10 | ALS      | ALS<br>11 | LAUM     | ALS         | ALS<br>12 | ALS       | ALS<br>13SR | ALS       | LAUM | ALS<br>14 | ALS              | ALS<br>15 | ALS         | ALS<br>16SRI | TAPU TI                              | ES                | Tail buoy |
| Bird behind group<br>number                      |             | n        |           | G12      | 239       |          |             |           | 602       | h d d       | 107       |      | 211       | 5                | 305       | 335         | 010          | 200                                  |                   |           |
| 1500 m hydrophone array                          |             |          |           |          |           |          |             |           |           |             |           |      |           |                  |           |             |              |                                      |                   |           |
| Front Group<br>number                            | ~           | 13       | 25        | 37       | 49        | 61       | 73          | 85        | . 76      | 109         |           |      |           |                  |           |             |              |                                      |                   |           |
| Approximate group<br>offset from vessel<br>stern | 170         | 320      | 470       | 620      | 770       | 920      | 1070        | 1220      | 1370      | 1520        |           |      |           |                  |           |             |              | Fluid filler                         | 1 nassiva         | sections  |
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Figure 2.8. Layout of hydrophone array in both the 4500 m and 1500 m configurations. Birds with SRD have emergency buoyancy pods to prevent the streamer going to depths of more than 30 m.

On initial deployment ballasting was undertaken to adjust the neutral buoyancy depth of the streamer to the water conditions in the Panama Basin. This neutral ballasting was achieved by addition of bronze collars at pre-calculated offsets along the streamer length. However at profiling speed with the 4500 m streamer deployed it was not possible to keep the first active section at the design tow depth. A solution would have been to use a longer armoured lead-in section, but as this was not an option available the first active section (groups 1-12) was treated as part of the lead-in with the depth control starting at group 11. This means the first 12 receiver groups are noisy (Fig. 2.2) and need to be muted during processing.

The streamer was configured in two alternative arrangements (Fig. 2.8). The first configuration was only used for the North Grid survey, and consisted of a 1500 m array. This length of streamer did not require the extra power modules (LAUM). After deployment from the winch, the streamer was clamped off and separated from the remaining 3000 m on the winch, and then directly connected to the SEAL acquisition system via an adapter and deck cable. The second configuration, the full 4500 m, was used for the remainder of the cruise and was towed directly from the winch. The original rational for using a shorter streamer on the grid surveys was to save time, by negating the need for long open turns between the profiles that were only 5 km apart. In the event, rate of turn restrictions and the ability to only turn to starboard meant the time saving achieved by not having to reconfigure the streamer back to 1500 m operation for the South Grid having shot the synthetic aperture profiles with the full streamer length.

Several repairs were made to the streamer during JC114. Most of these involved sealing leaks in the streamer skin. Two active sections were replaced; one at the front of the streamer that had become noisy and one at 3 km offset length that was thought to be the cause of failure of the acquisition system to record with the 47 s record length required for the synthetic aperture profiles. Prior to shooting the South Grid one of the emergency buoyancy floats was triggered at depth control bird #13. To minimise lost time the MOB-boat was launched and the offending bird and buoyancy float removed though this did mean that groups 270-290 tended to run deeper than the rest of the array.

A Sercel SEAL-428 used to record the streamer output (Fig. 2.9). This provided the necessary preprocessing and storage for the raw data in SEG-D format, a visual QC system for monitoring the streamer output during acquisition, and a shot record display post-processing and conversion to SEG-D. Data were stored locally by the SEAL system then automatically backed-up on a NAS provided by EEL and a second NAS provided by the OSCAR project.

For the North Grid and South Grid surveys the SEAL was triggered every 30 s with a 27 s record length. For the SAP surveys the SEAL was trigged every 60 s with a nominal 47 s record length but this was changed during survey to 41 s to prevent an intermittent SEAL hang-up and data loss. For the EX survey the shot interval was 20 s with a 17 s record length. For the RS surveys the record lengths where optimised for the objectives of each profile. See Section 4 for examples of data shot by each array and Appendix A & B for the details of each sub-survey configuration, shot numbers (FFID) and distribution of shot spacing associated with each profile.



Figure 2.9. Schematic diagram of seismic acquisition system. Although there were two array seismic sources (three when working with the SONNE on the SAP survey) they were all recorded in a single SEG-D file which was then split into the separate records based on the logged shot times, see Figs. 2.2 & 2.3.

## 2.3.2 Ocean-bottom seismographs

During JC114 OBSs were deployed:

- 1) to passively record seismicity at the Sandra Ridge for the National University in Bogota;
- 2) to determine the velocity structure of the oceanic crust and upper-most mantle;
- 3) to determine seismic anisotropy within oceanic crustal layer 2 for crack/fracture analysis;
- 4) to measure the far-field characteristics of each seismic source array.

The OBIF provided 46 four-channel OBSs for JC114, configured to record both three-component geophone and hydrophone data. These seabed platforms comprised three models: 17 of the older "LC2000"-type; 27 of the current generation "4x4"-type; and two prototypes of the next generation. All OBSs used the same sensor configuration - Sercel L-28 4.5 Hz vertical and horizontal geophones and an High Tech HTI-90-U hydrophone. The "LC2000" records to a buffer that periodically copies to a hard disk (the disk is spun-down in the intervening periods to save power); the "4x4" records to compact flash. The new generation prototypes record to micro-SD cards and were deployed for full system test purposes only. The OBS time was calibrated prior to launch and on recovery against GPS clocks provided by OBIF.

In total there were 81 OBS deployments completed during JC114 which are detailed in Appendix C. The OBS deployment sites within each survey area were named using the convention XX\_YY, where XX refers to the location:

| SR  | Sandra Ridge               |
|-----|----------------------------|
| NG  | North Grid                 |
| SG  | South Grid                 |
| SAP | Synthetic Aperture Profile |

and YY is a site number. For example, OBS 25 in the North Grid would be called NG\_25.

Four "LC2000" were deployed at the Sandra Ridge for passive monitoring of seismicity (Fig. 2.10). Twenty-five "4x4" were deployed in each of the North Grid and South Grid (Figs. 2.11 & 2.12 respectively). A further 25 instruments (15 "4x4" and 10 "LC2000") were deployed along the central synthetic aperture profile (SAP\_B) (Fig. 2.13). The prototype tests were included in the South Grid by doubling-up deployments with other instruments for direct comparison of recording purposes at locations SG\_08A and SG\_13A (Fig. 2.12).

The OBSs in the North Grid and the five northerly SAP OBSs (SAP\_01, 02, 08, 09 & 10) were deployed with three-footed concrete ballast weights as these would land on basaltic crust with little or no sedimentary cover. The remainder deployed with a flat metal ballast weight. A "drop and go" deployment strategy was adopted as accurate relocation of instrument on the seabed could be achieved using the direct water-wave



Figure 2.10. Location of passive recording OBS (green triangles) deployed at the Sandra Ridge



*Figure 2.11. OBS (green triangles) and vertical array (VA\_01) (red star) locations in the North Grid area with ship-track of the the recorded airgun sources.* 



*Figure 2.12. OBS (green triangles) and vertical array (VA\_02) (red star) locations in the South Grid area with ship-track of the the recorded airgun sources.* 

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arrivals from any of the seismic arrays whose firing location is accurately known. For recovery, the release enable command was generally acknowledged at ranges of 4-5 km from the OBS which activated the burn-wire releasing the bottom anchor weight. The rise of the OBS, about 1 hr, was monitored so the ship could position itself close to the expected surfacing point. This made best-use of the ship time and accrued significant contingency time which was used to shoot the EX and RS profiles (see Section 4). For the North Grid at CRR axis, recovery proceeded along east-west transects to minimise the possible effects of topography creating acoustic shadow zones and preventing long-distance activation of the release.

During JC114 the OBIF team developed and tested software to automatically monitor the slant range data output from the release deck unit and, together with anticipated rise time curves, predict when the instrument would surface. All OBSs were equipped with a flag, light and radio to assist in location and recovery. A directionfinding antenna mounted on the bridge roof provided additional surface time and bearing information to ensure quick location and recovery of each surfaced instrument.

The data quality is excellent. Only one instrument failed to record any useful data, another developed a data-logging error and two more lost one channel out of four, although in each case not a channel that would form part of the primary data analysis.

Predictably, the GI-airgun array did not produce seismic signals of sufficient amplitude or low enough frequency to be observed beyond 5-10 km from each OBS. However, the highresolution GI-source direct water-waves will aid accurate location of each instrument on the seabed. Both the COOK Bolt-airgun and the SONNE G-airgun arrays generated usable data with offsets out to ~30 and ~80 km respectively. Figs 2.14 and 2.15 show examples of the OBS hydrophone data from the North Grid and South Grid respectively, Fig. 2.16 shows an example of Figure 2.13. OBS (green triangles) and vertical one of the horizontal geophone components from the South Grid which shows strong s-wave Aperture Profiles (SAP) area with ship-track of arrivals converted at the sediment/crust interface. the the recorded airgun sources. Fig. 2.17 shows a local seismic event recorded as part of the Sandra Ridge deployment.





arrays (red stars) locations for the Synthetic



Figure 2.14. Example data from the hydrophone channel for an OBS recording the twoship SAP\_B profile from the North Grid, plotted reduced at 8 km s<sup>-1</sup>. (a) Record section from the COOK Bolt source. (b) Record from the SONNE G source.



Figure 2.15. Example data from the hydrophone channel for an OBS recording the twoship SAP\_B profile from the South Grid, plotted reduced at 8 km s<sup>-1</sup>. (a) Record section from the COOK Bolt source. (b) Record from the SONNE G source.

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*Figure 2.16. Example data from a horizontal geophone channel for an OBS recording the two-ship SAP\_B profile from the South Grid, plotted reduced at 8 km s<sup>-1</sup>.* (a) Record section from the COOK Bolt source. (b) Record from the SONNE G source.



Figure 2.17. Vertical geophone record from the OBS passive monitoring array at the Sandra Ridge (SR\_01) of magnitude 5.7 earthquake in the adjacent Panama Fracture Zone

## 2.3.3 Vertical hydrophone arrays

Two vertical hydrophone arrays (VA 01, VA 02) were deployed within the grid surveys (NG and SG), at the north and south ends of the SAP B profile, to record the down-going source wavelet from the three different airgun source arrays. These data-loggers were based on the current generation "4x4"-type OBS data-logger with a bespoke pre-amp card required to record four hydrophone channels as opposed to the normal one hydrophone and three geophone channels specially developed for JC114 by OBIF. The backbone moorings were provided by the NMF Moorings Group, onto which were attached the three data-loggers that would each record the output from 4 High Tech HTI-90-U hydrophones attached to a single cable connected to each data-logger. The layout design of the vertical mooring is shown in Fig. 2.18. The total mooring height was 670 m from the seabed with the 12 hydrophone sensors located between 539 to 597 m, each separated by a nominal spacing of 5 m.

Each mooring was deployed was through the stern Aframe. During deployment of VA 01 excessive drag, a result of a strong surface current, caused the polyester rope of the last, top-most active section to stretch to such an extent that its water-proof connector was detached from its corresponding data-logger. This connector was reattached prior to deployment. However, on recovery one of the four data channels had not recorded any of the down-going signal so it is likely this incident broke a wire in the connector. For the second array. the distance between the hydrophones was reduced to 4.5 m to provide more slack on the cables to accommodate rope stretch, and the second array was deployed without any repeat of the problem, although the recorded data are noisier due to strumming of the slack hydrophone cable in the ambient water column current.

On recovery, VA 01 surfaced approximately 30 minutes after release, with the lower ropes tangled into the hydrophone array which made recovery difficult. A similar rise time was observed for VA 02 and again there was some tangling of ropes but, as this was anticipated, recovery was ultimately easier.

Initial data analysis shows that the array VA 01 successfully recorded data on 11 of the 12 channels and that the individual hydrophones appear to be well matched. Fig. 2.19 shows the recorded raw data as the seismic source wave travels down the array from a shot vertically above. Fig. 2.20 shows the vertical- individual hydrophones; AR-2 are acoustic



Figure 2.18. Mooring design for vertical hydrophone arrays (VA 01 & VA 02). *RCM-11 units are data loggers provided by* OBIF; MTD are mounting points for releases

array-measured summed source signature for the Bolt array (lower trace) compared with the predicted signature for that array calculated using a commercial airgun modelling package (Nucleus+ from PGS) (upper trace). Both traces are individually scaled so it is not possible to compare amplitudes and the modelled signature contains higher frequencies, so the peak-to-peak and peak-to-bubble ratios are larger as it has not yet been filtered with the impulse response of the corresponding data-loggers, as the OBIF data-logger filter, unsurprisingly, is not part of the standard set provided with the PGS modelling software. However, the overall shape is the same as is the period of the bubble pulse coda. Post-cruise, these hydrophone data will be reprocessed, using the OBIF data-logger filter characteristics to estimate the source for reflection data processing. This is believed to be the first time that such down-going wave-field recording has been undertaken in such deep water.



Figure 2.19. Single shot from the Bolt array recorded on the vertical hydrophone array VA\_01. Channel 1 is the shallowest and channel 12 is the deepest. Channel 9 suffered a broken wire in its connection cable during deployment.

Figure 2.20. Comparison of predicted (upper) and measured (lower) wave-field for the Bolt seismic source. The shape difference is because the prediction does not include the instrument filter from the OBS logger, otherwise the shape and period of oscillation are wellmatched. The predicted signature was calculated using the Nucleus+ software from PGS.

Time (s)

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## 3 Marine mammal observation

As no specific guidelines were issued as part of any requested diplomatic clearance for any waters of the work area or transit routes, JC114 was operated under with best-practise approach based on the UK's Joint Nature Conservancy Council guidelines for the mitigation of the affects of acoustic noise in the water column. The approach adopted required at least an hour of visual observation prior to the start of seismic any airgun operations, and that the start of seismic shot firing would be delayed if any cetacean was sighted within a 500 m radius of the airgun array, and for at least 20 minutes after the species of concern left that zone. In all cases, a soft start approach was adopted whereby the source would ramp-up from the smallest airgun to the largest over a period of time. Given the number of airguns in use on the COOK for JC114, a three minute period between airgun addition was used. Soft start operations were only conducted during daylight hours. Shooting continued after the completion of each the multichannel seismic reflection profile only if the shots were being recorded by the OBSs and, therefore, would be used for 3D velocity structure modelling.

Sightings of Cetaceans were irregular and did not interfere with seismic operations although discretion was used on one occasion to turn off the airguns when it became clear that a pod of approaching pilot whales were going to cross the ship's path close to the seismic source. In this case operations recommenced after 10 minutes, when the pod was more than 500 m away, with a soft-start. A full record of MMO operations during JC114 can be found in Appendix D.

## 4 Acquired seismic profiles

## 4.1 Operations

The original cruise plan was to acquire seismic data at the Costa Rica Rift and at the ODP drill-site 504B. These primary cruise sub-surveys were planned as two 25 x 25 km grid acquisitions, joined by three synthetic aperture profiles linking the two grids. Time-efficient OBS deployments and recoveries accrued to the contingency time which allowed the addition of an extra survey over the Ecuador Rift ridge segment to the west of the original area in international water and extra swath profiles along the transform fault that separates the Costa Rica Rift ridge segment from the Ecuador Rift ridge segment. Further accrued time also permitted a high resolution reshoot of one of the synthetic aperture profiles. The sub-surveys that comprised JC114 are outlined below, with example seismic reflection sections included for each sub-survey to indicate data quality. For each sub-survey the shot point map is included. The corresponding OBS deployment location maps are shown in Figs 2.9-2.12.

## 4.2 Naming convention

The multichannel seismic (MCS) profiles within each survey area were named using the same convention as for the OBS (see section 2.3.2), XX\_YY, where XX refers to the sub-survey location/type:

| NG  | North Grid                 |
|-----|----------------------------|
| SG  | South Grid                 |
| SAP | Synthetic Aperture Profile |
| EX  | Extra                      |
| RS  | Reshoot                    |

and YY is a letter that refers to the MCS profile name. For example, Profile J in the North Grid would be called NG\_J. Appendix A documents the airgun array and multichannel streamer configurations for all survey areas and profiles, Appendix B documents the MCS profile characteristics and shot numbers (FFID numbers) for each profile. The raw SEG-D data for each profile is archived under the profile name with an additional shooting sequence number appended.

## 4.3 Acquisition

Five separate surveys were undertaken as part of JC114. A summary of each is outlined below, together with an example of acquired seismic reflection data from each.

## 4.3.1 North grid (NG)

Twenty-five OBSs (NG\_01 to NG\_25) where deployed in the North Grid at an approximate  $5 \times 5 \text{ km}$  node spacing, together with the vertical array VA\_01 (see Section 2.3.3). Deployment locations (Appendix C), revised from the original plan to avoid areas of steeply-dipping seabed (>15°) based on swath bathymetry data collected during JC112 and JC113, and are shown in Fig. 2.11. The OBSs were deployed with three-footed concrete ballast weights to maximise stability and seabed coupling, as the landing sites would not have any significant sediment cover.

Once OBS deployment was complete, the multichannel streamer in 1500 m configuration was deployed together with the GI- and Bolt-airgun arrays (Appendix A – airgun configuration #1; streamer configuration #1), and MCS data acquired with a 30 s shot interval and 27 s record length. Ten MCS profiles were acquired using this configuration comprising five east-west profiles and five north-south profiles. There were repeated problems with 500 in<sup>3</sup> airgun in the Bolt array during the shooting of this survey, with damage to either the air hose or air hose connector. Although most of the repairs were done during turns, a section of the NG\_E profile was lost. Tracks charts of the profile locations relative to shot point numbers (FFIDs) are shown in Fig. 4.1.



Figure 4.1. Multichannel seismic profiles shot within the North Grid. These profiles were shot with a 1500 m streamer. Shot point numbers (FFIDs) are annotated. The active Cost Rica Rift ridge segment lies along NG\_B.

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*Figure 4.2. (a) Track chart for the reshoot of the NG grid with the 4500 m streamer configuration. Shot point numbers (FFIDs) are annotated.* 

Four of the NG profiles were then reshot using the 4500 m streamer configuration, together with an extra profile diagonally across the grid to provide shots at an oblique azimuth into the OBSs for anisotropy data analysis purposes. This additional shooting also provided an opportunity to reconfigure and balance the rest of the 4500 m length of streamer, and to practice the starboard turns in preparation for the two-ship work with the SONNE. Tracks charts of the profile locations relative to shot point numbers (FFIDs) are shown in Fig. 4.2. Track chart for all the shots recorded by the North Grid OBS is shown in Fig. 2.11.

The acquired seismic reflection data quality is good and examples from profile NG\_H and the reshot NG\_BB that images the axial magma chamber are shown in Figs 4.3 and 4.4 respectively. However, strong surface currents from the east, peaking at over 1 kn, resulted in a variable shot spacing on the east-west profiles (~55 m on easterly heading, ~95 m on a westerly heading) and significant streamer feather on the north-south profiles. The OBSs recorded P-wave arrivals out to 30 km - the maximum offset from each OBS at which shots were fired.

Once shooting was complete the streamer and airgun arrays were recovered, together with 20 of the NG OBSs, leaving deployed the five that lay along synthetic aperture profile SAP\_B (NG\_04, 07, 14, 17 & 24) and the vertical array VA\_01, as these would also record the synthetic aperture shots.



Migrated stack of Line NG\_H (Bolt), NMO at 1500, decon

Figure 4.3. QC migration of seismic reflection profile NG\_C (Bolt) processed at 1500 ms<sup>-1</sup>



Figure 4.4. Section of brute stack MCS data from NG\_BB (CMP equivalent of shot points 250 to 650) showing the reflection from the axial magma chamber between CMP 600 to 800.

## 4.3.2 Extra profiles (EX)

As a consequence of time-efficient deployment and recovery operations of all equipment involved in the North Grid sub-survey, several days were accrued prior to the arrival of the SONNE for the two-ship synthetic aperture acquisition. To make best use of this time, a multichannel seismic reflection survey was conducted over the Ecuador Rift and Ecuador Fracture Zone to the west, between 85°30'W-83°30'W and 0°45'N-2°00'N. This sub-survey was acquired using the combined GI- and Bolt-airgun sources but with a decreased shot interval of 20 s, a 17 s record length and the 4500 m streamer configuration (Appendix A – airgun configuration #2 then #3 after EX\_A.1; streamer configuration #2). Data quality is excellent, and only light to moderate surface currents were experienced which resulted in shot point intervals of 50-60 m along all profiles. Tracks charts of the profile locations relative to shot point numbers (FFIDs) are shown in Fig. 4.5. An example of the MCS data acquired along EX\_J is shown in Fig. 4.6.



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Migrated stack of Line EX\_J (Bolt), NMO at 1500, decon

Figure 4.6. Section of QC migration of line EX\_J (Bolt) that crosses the Ecuador Fracture Zone. Heatflow measurements during JC113 where made in sediments between FFID550-650.

## *4.3.3 Synthetic aperture profiles (SAP)*

OBSs were only deployed along SAP\_B, and comprised SAP\_01 to SAP\_35, the five South Grid OBSs that also lay along the profile (SG\_02, 09, 12, 19. & 22), vertical array VA\_02, and the five OBSs and vertical array remaining from the North Grid (NG\_04, 07, 14, 17 & 24 and VA\_01 - Appendix C). Of the SAP OBS, the five at the north end of the profile (SAP\_01, 02, 08, 09 & 10) were deployed with three-footed concrete anchors. The remaining SAP OBSs were deployed with a metal grid ballast weight since these sites had sediment cover.

Once the SONNE arrived in the work area, independent turning manoeuvres were conducted by both vessels to facilitate equipment deployment and to position the SONNE at the correct distance behind the COOK whilst turning onto the start of profile SAP\_B. The SONNE was positioned ~8.7 km behind the COOK to provide a 300 m overlap between the streamer recordings of the COOK shots and the streamer recordings of the SONNE shots. Three 270 km-long profiles were then acquired that link the North and South Grids. Profile SAP\_B was orientated to pass over the ODP 504B drill-site and the location on the Costa Rica Rift where the axial magma chamber (AMC) had been previously observed during R/V MAURICE EWING survey EW9416. SAP\_A and SAP\_C provided second crossings of 504B and the AMC respectively and laterally-offset shots into the OBSs deployed along SAP\_B.

The COOK towed GI- and Bolt-airgun arrays and the 4500 m streamer (Appendix A – airgun configuration #3 and streamer configuration #2). Surface currents were variable and most significant for SAP\_C where they caused significant feathering of the streamer. The shot point interval for all three profiles was between 130-160 m. Data quality of the unprocessed MCS field records is good although there is some noise on the near-offset channels (groups 1-12) due to their uncontrollable shallow towing. An example of the MCS data acquired along SAP\_C is shown in Fig. 4.7. Track charts of the profile locations relative to shot point numbers (FFIDs) are shown in Fig. 4.8. Track chart for all the shots recorded by the SAP OBS is shown in Fig. 2.13.






*Figure 4.8. Track charts for the multichannel streamer SAP profiles. These profiles were shot with a 4500 m streamer. Shot point numbers (FFIDs) are annotated. (a) SAP\_C; (b) SAP\_B/BB; and (c) SAP\_C.* 

For the SAP shooting, the GI-airgun array shot was fired at 50 ms (the aim point) after the start of record; 6.05 s later the Bolt-airgun array shot was fired. See Fig. 2.1. At 30.08 s the G-airgun array was fired by the SONNE. To "unwrap" these shots and reform them into the required synthetic aperture shot records requires accurate shot times and locations for both ships as described in Section 2.2.3.

Once shooting was complete the streamer and airgun arrays were recovered together with the OBSs, including those instruments from the North Grid (NG\_04, 07, 14, 17 & 24) and vertical array VA\_01. OBSs SAP\_29 and SAP\_35 and the OBSs who also lay along a profile within the South Grid (SG\_02, 09, 12, 19. & 22) and the second vertical array (VA\_02) remained deployed. The quality of the OBS records is generally excellent, particularly towards the southern end of the profile, where sediment cover improves coupling and reduces scatter of the down-going wave-field e.g. by the irregular seabed topography at the ridge axis as observed for instruments located within the North Grid and which is commonly observed in mid-ocean ridge wide-angle and MCS surveys.

For the South Grid, a further 20 OBSs were deployed to complete the 5 x 5 km node spacing deployment configuration. All OBSs were deployed with a metal ballast weight, and at the planned positions as the seabed was well-sediment covered and essentially flat-lying (Appendix C). The South Grid was then shot comprising six east-west and six north-south MCS profiles using airgun configuration #3 and the 4500 m streamer configuration #2 (Appendix A). An extra profile was added to the grid in both directions to make turning (within the starboard only constraint) with the 4500 m streamer easier. Southerly surface currents during acquisition resulted in profiles shot from south-to-north having an average 95 m shot point interval, and those shot north-to-south an average 75 m shot point interval. The quality of the reflection data is good, although there was a system failure on the east-west profile SG\_A which resulted in 35 minutes of lost recording. This gap was not reshot as it was towards the end of the line. Tracks charts of the profile locations relative to shot point numbers (FFIDs) are shown in Fig. 4.9. An example of the MCS data acquired along SG\_C is shown in Fig. 4.10.

After acquisition of the last SG profile, and before commencing any equipment recovery, SAP\_A was reshot heading northwards at high resolution (RS\_A) to image the sediment column structure and depth to, and geometry of the basement in the vicinity of the heat flow surveys conducted along this profile during JC113. During JC113, the acquired sub-bottom profiler data didn't provide adequate resolution to support heat flow analysis. For the southward leg, SAP\_A was reshot again (RS\_B) with medium resolution to provide longer-offset, azimuthal arrivals into the SG OBSs. A description of the reshoot survey is contained in the following section.

## 4.3.5 Reshoot profiles (RS)

Initial on-board processing of the GI-airgun array data along SAP\_A showed that the 10 m tow depth for the streamer had limited the vertical resolution of the MCS records. Although deconvolution helped improve the image, the streamer ghost notch limited the maximum bandwidth. Consequently, given available time, was decided to reshoot SAP\_A as these data could then be used to help interpret the heat flow data from JC113. RS\_A was a GI-airgun array only profile, shot with airgun configuration #5 and streamer configuration #3. A shot interval of 15 s resulted in an average shot point spacing of 40 m. An example of the MCS data acquired along RS\_A is shown in Fig. 4.11. Tracks charts of the profile locations relative to shot point numbers (FFIDs) are shown in Fig. 4.12. Data quality was excellent and the reshoot achieved a vertical resolution of ~5m to the base of the sedimentary cover.



Figure 4.9. Multichannel seismic profiles shot within the South Grid. These profiles were shot with a 4500 m streamer. Shot point numbers (FFIDs) are annotated. The ODP 504B borehole lies at the intersection of lines SG\_C and SG\_I.



Figure 4.10. QC migration of seismic reflection profile SG C (Bolt) processed at 1500 ms<sup>-1</sup>



Figure 4.11. QC migration of part of seismic reflection profile RS\_A (GI), over the same range as Fig. 4.10. Note the vertical scale change to highlight the high-frequency content of this profile.



Figure 4.12. Track charts for the multichannel streamer RS profiles. These profiles were shot with a 4500 m streamer. Shot point numbers (FFIDs) are annotated. (a) RS\_A was shot with only the GI source to image the sediment structure over the heatflow measurements from cruise JC113; (b) RS\_B was shot with only the Bolt array as a noise test and for seismic oceanography mapping of the thermohaline structure.

For the return leg the seismic source was switched to the Bolt-airgun array (airgun configuration #6 and streamer configuration #2) and shot with a 60 s interval (Fig. 4.11), to minimise wrap-around noise on seismic oceanography images of the water column, and maximise the range of observed arrivals recorded by the OBSs by shifting the wrap-around water-wave of the previous shot out to longer-offsets than expected for the lower crust and uppermost mantle arrivals and reflections from the Moho.

#### 5 Underway data

A track chart of the entire cruise is shown in Fig. 5.1, and a blow-up of the main work areas in Fig. 5.2. Along all tracks navigation, swath bathymetry, single-beam bathymetry, gravity, meteorology and oceanographic data were acquired as part of the underway dataset. Magnetic data were also acquired during seismic shooting and sound velocity measurements made during OBS acoustic release testing at the start of the cruise. Each of these data are described in the following sections.



*Figure 5.1. Entire track for JC114 from Caldera Costa Rica to Balboa Panama overlaid on the GEBCO bathymetry map of the area.* 

## **5.1** Navigation

All GPS and attitude measurement systems available on the COOK were run throughout the cruise. The Applanix POSMV system is the vessel's primary GPS system, outputting the position of the ship's common reference point located in the gravity meter room. The POSMV is the GPS position sent to all other scientific systems and that is repeated around the vessel. The Applanix POSMV failed and required rebooting on one occasion during which no instrumentation received positional data, except for the EM120 which receives attitude and position data from the Seapath 200 GPS system due to its superior real time heave. The POSMV failure occurred between 08:17:35 to 09:12:00 on 04/02/15 (JD035). The CNAV Techsas data-logging module also crashed on one occasion, resulting in a data gap between 06:40:20 to 06:43:11 on 23/02/15 (JD054).

## 5.2 Speed logs

The single-axis Bridge Skipper Log and the dual-axis Chernikeef science log were both logged. There had been no opportunity to calibrate the Chernikeef log was not during 2014 and it is known to be very inaccurate. Data from the Chernikeef should be used with caution. The Bridge-based Skipper Log proved reliable throughout the cruise as was primarily used to monitor ship's speed through the water during seismic acquisition, to prevent damage to the streamer and maintain the source at a constant depth.

#### 5.3 Meteorology and sea-surface monitoring

The Surfmet system was run throughout the cruise, recording both meteorology and sea-surface conditions.

## 5.4 Single-beam echo sounder

The EA600 single beam echo sounder was run throughout the cruise. There are breaks in the data only during OBS deployment and recovery as this system and the OBS acoustic releases operate in the same primary frequency band and cause interference with each other. The EA600 was used with a constant sound velocity of 1500 ms<sup>-1</sup> throughout the water column, which allows its recorded data to be post-processed for actual water column velocity measured during the cruise.

#### 5.5 Swath multi-beam echo sounder

The EM120 multi-beam echo sounder was run throughout the cruise. Data were logged in Kongsberg .all format. There are breaks in the data only during OBS deployment and recovery as this system and the OBS acoustic releases operate in the same primary frequency band and cause interference with each other. There are also breaks between profiles from 09:59 to 10:43 and from 15:14 to 15:30 during on 26/01/15 (JD026) due to the backup PC having to be installed when a hard drive failed on the primary system control PC.

A measured sound velocity profile, see Section 5.6 below, was input near the start of the cruise to correct readings to true depth. The quality of the swath data is excellent (Fig. 5.2), although some data is of much lower quality during the transit back to Panama when the vessel was heading into a heavier swell. In general though, with the vessel ballasted to an even keel, excellent data was acquired no matter the speed (including above 10 kn) for sea state or direction.

#### 5.6 Sound velocity profiles

A Valeport Midas SN 22241 sound velocity profiler was attached to the OBS acoustic release test frame each time it was used, prior to both the Sandra Ridge deployments and VA\_01 vertical array deployments. The locations of these sound velocity profiles are shown below and the recorded velocity-depth profiles in Fig. 5.3.

| Date / Time            | Profile     | Location                  |
|------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| 23/01/15 21:13 (JD023) | JC114_01    | 5° 55.618' N 82°16.600' W |
| 25/01/15 03:18 (JD025) | JC114_VA_01 | 3°13.020' N 83°50.525' W  |





*Figure 5.3. Sound velocity profiles recorded on JD023 (red) and JD025 (blue).* 

## 5.7 Acoustic doppler current profiler

Both the 75 kHz and 150 kHz acoustic doppler current profiler (ADCP) systems were run during the cruise. These systems were configured as follows. The 75 kHz system was run in broadband mode with 48 bins of 16 m with an 8 m blank. The 150 kHz system was run in narrowband mode with 96 bins of 4 m with an 4 m blank. Bottom tracking was not enabled to allow the orientation of the transducers to be calibrated due to the clearances only allowing use in deep water.

## 5.8 Gravimeter

The gravity meter (serial number S40) was run throughout the cruise. A tie-in was performed on 15/01/15 (JD015) at the start of the cruise (Puntarenas Costa Rica ref: 4551-1 g=978217.22 mGal) and at the end of the cruise on 7/03/15 (JD066) (Balboa Panama Rodman Pier ref: WH1056 g=978222.54 mGal). Base station ties were completed using a portable LaCoste-Romberg meter (model G-484). Control of the meter was lost at 00:19 on 26/02/2015 (JD057) when the computer programme was found to be unresponsive with an error message "Insufficient memory for operation" although there was little processor activity on-going on the control PC.

As the spring tension (ST) motor was constantly rotating increasing the count, the PC was rebooted and control of the meter was regained. The ST motor stopped at this point and the meter started to automatically decrease the ST count slowly. At 00:41 (JD057) the beam was clamped and the ST motor manually commanded to move back to the last known good reading of 6292 gu. By 00:54 (JD057) the ST motor had completed the move and the beam was unclamped. By 01:00 (JD057) the gravity reading was once more stable. The only explanation for the incident was system overheating as the ambient temperature reading on the meter was 39.7°C. On this occasion the gravity room, the outside alleyway and gym were all at a much higher temperature than normal and the sauna (in the rear of the gym) was found to have been used and still very hot. The gravity room ambient temperature ranged from 35 to 37°C for the rest of the cruise.

By the end of the cruise it was still unknown as to how the meter calibration may have been affected and what the consequences of this failure will be for the veracity of the gravity data acquired throughout the cruise. And example of the data acquired is shown in Fig. 5.4.

## 5.9 Magnetometer

A SeaSpy magnetometer (SN 13358) was deployed throughout all seismic surveying as summaried in the table below. The sensor lay-back from the ship's GPS reference point was 300 m, comprising 254 m of cable aft of the stern of the COOK and 46 m offset from GPS reference point to the stern of the vessel.

| Survey      | Start                     | End                       |
|-------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| JC114_NG    | 00:07:54 19/01/15 (JD019) | 00:08:42 01/02/15 (JD032) |
| JC114_EX    | 14:33:55 04/02/15 (JD035) | 13:57:22 10/02/15 (JD041) |
| JC114_SAP   | 13:57:59 10/02/15 (JD041) | 18:17:29 15/02/15 (JD046) |
| JC114_SG_RS | 21:41:29 19/02/15 (JD050) | 19:01:05 25/02/15 (JD056) |

There was a break in data acquisition during JC114\_EX, between 19:00:40 to 19:08:06 on the 08/02/15 (JD039) when a transceiver box failed and was swapped out. An example of the acquired magnetic is shown in Fig 5.4.



Figure 5.4. Example of potential field data (free-air gravity and magnetic field) plotted for the north-south profile SAP\_A with bathymetry extracted from the EM120 multi-beam echo sounder. Both the gravity and magnetic data have had a 5 km moving average filter applied for QC display purposes.

#### 5.10 Wave radar

The WaMos wave radar system was not requested but was run throughout the cruise as a technical test due to a failure during the previous cruise.

## 6. Vessel operations

In general vessel operations were excellent and there was no science time lost.

However there was a problem with the Dynamic Positioning console on the bridge over a number of days which meant it was not in regular use from JD044 to JD056, a significant part of the cruise, including the two-ship work with the SONNE. This had little impact on the cruise plan but extra care was required when changing course with the 4500 m streamer deployed.

The system to enter and revise navigation way-points is clumsy. There does not seem to be an easy way to automatically transfer way-points between the system available to the science team in the main laboratory and the bridge. Copying way-points onto paper then entering them in the bridge systems is prone to error particularly for the multichannel seismic operations like those carried out during this cruise, where each of the grids requires a minimum of 60 way-points to define all the aim-points and turns.

## 7. Mobilisation and demoblisation

The presence of the agent at San Jose airport on arrival in Costa Rica en-route to Caldera would have helped to more quickly resolve an issue for entry of a Chinese national. Initially they were refused entry but the issue was resolved when immigration issued an entry visa against his UK work visa.

On arrival in Balboa we needed to perform a gravity tie to the base station on Rodman pier. The taxi arranged by the agent failed to arrive. Eventually we hired our own taxi but were too late arriving at the Rodman security gate that evening to gain entry. The final gravity tie was completed the following morning. Not a major problem but it did delay the final dismantling and packing of the gravimeter ready for transport to Jamaica.

The berthing of the SONNE and COOK at the same dock in Balboa greatly facilitated the transfer of equipment and samples from the SONNE to the COOK at the end of the cruise.

## 8. Diplomatic clearances

Diplomatic clearance for this cruise was a serious issue and nearly resulted in having to completely revise the science plan. Unfortunately the forms requesting permission for cruise JC114 to work in Colombian water were not been correctly submitted to the Colombian authorities. This problem came to light during a telephone conference call 12 November 2014 between the Colombian officials, the British Embassy, Miguel Morales (PSO JC112) and Richard Hobbs (PSO JC114). This was despite several requests by the PSOs through NERC operations for an update on progress. Work by the Embassy in Bogotá, NERC operations and good-will on the part of the Colombian authorities enabled the cruise to go ahead as planned. The PSO is grateful for the support of all involved and their prompt action to resolve this issue. However, this episode could have been averted if there had been better communications between PSO  $\leftrightarrow$  NERC  $\leftrightarrow$  FCO  $\leftrightarrow$  Embassy  $\leftrightarrow$  government officials. A more transparent system need to be devised that ensures feedback about progress to the PSO on a regular basis so the PSO retains ownership of the process.

The other permissions were granted as requested.

# 9. Diary of events

| Day  | Date     | Time<br>(GMT)                                                                                                                                                                   | Activity                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|------|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| J022 | 22/01/15 | 1600                                                                                                                                                                            | Depart Caldera, Costa-Rica<br>Transit                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| J023 | 23/01/15 | 1900                                                                                                                                                                            | Acoustic release tests/velocity probe 5°55.616'N,83°16.600'W<br>Transit                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| J024 | 24/01/15 | 0243<br>0612<br>0913<br>1335                                                                                                                                                    | Deploy SR_01<br>Deploy SR_02<br>Deploy SR_03<br>Deploy SR_04<br>Transit                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| J025 | 25/01/15 | $\begin{array}{c} 0114\\ 0640\\ 0849\\ 0927\\ 1010\\ 1045\\ 1119\\ 1148\\ 1221\\ 1258\\ 1328\\ 1359\\ 1420\\ 1459\\ 1524\\ 1554\\ 1619\\ 1653\\ 1726\\ 1811\\ 2006 \end{array}$ | Acoustic release tests/velocity probe 3 °13.387'N,83°49.757'W<br>Deploy vertical array VA_01<br>Deploy NG_01<br>Deploy NG_02<br>Deploy NG_02<br>Deploy NG_03<br>Deploy NG_04<br>Deploy NG_05<br>Deploy NG_06<br>Deploy NG_07<br>Deploy NG_08<br>Deploy NG_09<br>Deploy NG_10<br>Deploy NG_11<br>Deploy NG_12<br>Deploy NG_13<br>Deploy NG_15<br>Deploy NG_16<br>Deploy NG_18<br>Streamer deployment for buoyancy testing and configuration                                                    |
| J026 | 26/01/15 | 0426<br>0457<br>0530<br>0558<br>1143<br>1204<br>1237<br>1305<br>1335<br>1500<br>1625<br>1958<br>2023<br>2159<br>2248                                                            | Streamer recovery complete<br>Deploy NG_19<br>Deploy NG_20<br>Swathing $3^{\circ}14.784$ 'N, $83^{\circ}45.071$ 'W<br>$3^{\circ}15.651$ 'N, $84^{\circ}10.913$ 'W<br>$3^{\circ}10.515$ 'N, $84^{\circ}15.680$ 'W<br>$3^{\circ}10.384$ 'N, $83^{\circ}57.073$ 'W<br>Deploy NG_25<br>Deploy NG_24<br>Deploy NG_22<br>Deploy NG_22<br>Deploy NG_21<br>Deploy NG_21<br>Deploy airgun arrays<br>Start profile NG_E<br>End profile NG_E<br>Repair Gun-1<br>Start profile NG_EA<br>End profile NG_EA |
| J027 | 27/01/15 | 0206<br>0710<br>1000<br>1247<br>1558<br>2043                                                                                                                                    | Start profile NG_B<br>End profile NG_B<br>Start profile NG_D<br>End profile NG_D<br>Repair Gun-1<br>Start profile NG_A<br>End profile NG_A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

| Day  | Date     | Time<br>(GMT)                                                                                                                                | Activity                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|------|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|      |          | 2322                                                                                                                                         | Repair Gun-1<br>Start profile NG_C                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| J028 | 28/01/15 | 0215<br>0919<br>1243<br>1507<br>1843<br>2232                                                                                                 | End profile NG_C<br>Start profile NG_H<br>End profile NG_F<br>Start profile NG_F<br>End profile NG_F<br>Start profile NG_I                                                                                                                                                    |
| J029 | 29/01/15 | 0131<br>0341<br>0746<br>1120<br>1423                                                                                                         | End profile NG_I<br>Start profile NG_G<br>End profile NG_G<br>Start profile NG_J<br>End profile NG_J<br>Recover 1500 m streamer<br>Deploy and balance 4500 m streamer                                                                                                         |
| J030 | 30/01/15 | 0639<br>1348<br>1641<br>2012                                                                                                                 | Deployment complete<br>Start profile NG_EE<br>End profile NG_EE<br>Start profile NG_BB                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| J031 | 31/01/15 | 0118<br>0632<br>1052<br>1526<br>1911<br>2146                                                                                                 | End profile NG_BB<br>Start profile NG_K<br>End profile NG_K<br>Repair gun-1<br>Start profile NG_II<br>End profile NG_II<br>Start profile NG_FF                                                                                                                                |
| J032 | 01/02/15 | 0101<br>0130<br>0610<br>0806<br>0900<br>1100<br>1243<br>1435<br>1531<br>1657<br>1826<br>2006<br>2143<br>2255                                 | End profile NG_FF<br>Start gun/streamer recovery<br>Gun/streamer recovery complete<br>Deploy SAP_01<br>Deploy SAP_02<br>Recover NG_05<br>Recover NG_03<br>Recover NG_02<br>Recover NG_01<br>Recover NG_10<br>Recover NG_09<br>Recover NG_08<br>Recover NG_06<br>Recover NG_15 |
| J033 | 02/02/15 | 0015<br>0140<br>0300<br>0430<br>0505<br>0704<br>0849<br>1009<br>1143<br>1300<br>1500<br>1537<br>1616<br>1656<br>1732<br>1813<br>1859<br>1945 | Recover NG_13Recover NG_12Recover NG_11Recover NG_20Recover NG_19Recover NG_18Recover NG_25Recover NG_23Recover NG_21Deploy SAP_08Deploy SAP_09Deploy SAP_10Deploy SAP_11Deploy SAP_12Deploy SAP_13Deploy SAP_14                                                              |

| Day  | Date     | Time<br>(GMT)                                                                                                                                | Activity                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|------|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|      |          | 2033<br>2116<br>2201<br>2242<br>2321<br>2359                                                                                                 | Deploy SAP_15<br>Deploy SAP_16<br>Deploy SAP_17<br>Deploy SAP_18<br>Deploy SAP_19<br>Deploy SAP_20                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| J034 | 03/02/15 | 0042<br>0123<br>0203<br>0250<br>0331<br>0413<br>0440<br>0528<br>0615<br>0704<br>0735<br>0803<br>0836<br>0900<br>0951<br>1427<br>1500<br>2200 | Deploy SAP_21<br>Deploy SAP_22<br>Deploy SAP_23<br>Deploy SAP_24<br>Deploy SAP_25<br>Deploy SAP_26<br>Deploy SAP_27<br>Deploy SAP_28<br>Deploy SAP_29<br>Deploy SG_02<br>Deploy SG_02<br>Deploy SG_12<br>Deploy SG_12<br>Deploy SG_12<br>Deploy SG_22<br>Deploy SAP_35<br>Deploy VA_02<br>Swathing 1°18.229'N 83°43.931'W<br>1°20.160'N 84°43.364'W |
| J035 | 04/02/15 | 0200<br>0804<br>1000<br>1600<br>1741                                                                                                         | 1°06.077'N 84°40.347'W<br>1°06.011'N 83°38.987'W<br>Start deploying 4500 m streamer<br>Deploy airguns<br>Start profile EX_A                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| J036 | 05/02/15 | 1342<br>1953                                                                                                                                 | End profile EX_A<br>Start profile EX_B                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| J037 | 06/02/15 | 0826<br>1313<br>1453<br>1624<br>2003<br>2108                                                                                                 | End profile EX_B<br>Start profile EX_C<br>End profile EX_C<br>Repair gun-17<br>Start profile EX_CA<br>End profile EX_CA<br>Start profile EX_D                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| J038 | 07/02/15 | 0152<br>0316<br>1356<br>1523<br>2302                                                                                                         | End profile EX_D<br>Start profile EX_E<br>End profile EX_E<br>Start profile EX_F<br>End profile EX_F                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| J039 | 08/02/15 | 0009<br>1010<br>1121<br>2134<br>2226                                                                                                         | Start profile EX_G<br>End profile EX_G<br>Start profile EX_H<br>End profile EX_H<br>Start profile EX_I                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| J040 | 09/02/15 | 0534<br>0649<br>1246<br>1342                                                                                                                 | End profile EX_I<br>Start profile EX_II<br>End profile EX_II<br>Start profile EX_J                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| J041 | 10/02/15 | 0330<br>0502<br>0841<br>1404                                                                                                                 | End profile EX_J<br>Start profile EX_K<br>End profile EX_K<br>MEET UP WITH SONNE<br>Start profile SAP_B                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

| Day  | Date     | Time<br>(GMT)                                                                                | Activity                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|------|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|      |          | 2253                                                                                         | End profile SAP_B – SEAL data-logger error<br>Recover streamer to change suspect section                                                                                                                             |
| J042 | 11/02/15 | 1305<br>1545                                                                                 | Start profile SAP_BB<br>Change to 41 s record length                                                                                                                                                                 |
| J043 | 12/02/15 | 1605<br>1904                                                                                 | End profile SAP_BB<br>Start profile SAP_A                                                                                                                                                                            |
| J044 | 13/02/15 |                                                                                              | Shooting profile SAP_A                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| J045 | 14/02/15 | 0223<br>0227<br>0524<br>0530                                                                 | End profile SAP_A<br>Start profile SAP_AA<br>End profile SAP_AA<br>Start profile SAP_C                                                                                                                               |
| J046 | 15/02/15 | 1801<br>1830<br>2226<br>2345                                                                 | End profile SAP_C<br>Start to recover airguns and streamer<br>Recovery complete<br>Meeting with SONNE                                                                                                                |
| J047 | 16/02/15 | 0030<br>1131<br>1400<br>1602<br>1747<br>2127<br>2238                                         | SONNE DEPARTS<br>transit to VA_01<br>VA_01 released<br>VA_01 recovered<br>Recover NG_17<br>Recover NG_07<br>Recover SAP_01<br>Recover SAP_02                                                                         |
| J048 | 17/02/15 | 0053<br>0238<br>0555<br>0742<br>0930<br>1214<br>1354<br>1530<br>1742<br>1919<br>2112<br>2308 | Recover NG_04<br>Recover NG_14<br>Recover SAP_09<br>Recover SAP_08<br>Recover NG_24<br>Recover SAP_10<br>Recover SAP_11<br>Recover SAP_12<br>Recover SAP_13<br>Recover SAP_14<br>Recover SAP_15<br>Recover SAP_16    |
| J049 | 18/02/15 | 0111<br>0320<br>0516<br>0718<br>0912<br>1109<br>1255<br>1434<br>1637<br>1850<br>2125<br>2351 | Recover SAP_17<br>Recover SAP_18<br>Recover SAP_19<br>Recover SAP_20<br>Recover SAP_21<br>Recover SAP_22<br>Recover SAP_23<br>Recover SAP_24<br>Recover SAP_25<br>Recover SAP_26<br>Recover SAP_27<br>Recover SAP_28 |
| J050 | 19/02/15 | 0114<br>0159<br>0242<br>0304<br>0335<br>0405<br>0440<br>0448<br>0533<br>0608                 | Deploy SG_01<br>Deploy SG_03<br>Deploy SG_04<br>Deploy SG_05<br>Deploy SG_06<br>Deploy SG_07<br>Deploy SG_08<br>Deploy SG_08A<br>Deploy SG_10<br>Deploy SG_11                                                        |

| Day  | Date     | Time<br>(GMT)                                                                                                                | Activity                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|------|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|      |          | 0654<br>0704<br>0736<br>0802<br>0830<br>0854<br>0919<br>1003<br>1034<br>1116<br>1142<br>1208<br>1403<br>1845<br>2121<br>2330 | Deploy SG_13<br>Deploy SG_13A<br>Deploy SG_14<br>Deploy SG_15<br>Deploy SG_16<br>Deploy SG_17<br>Deploy SG_18<br>Deploy SG_20<br>Deploy SG_21<br>Deploy SG_23<br>Deploy SG_24<br>Deploy SG_25<br>Deploying streamer<br>Launch MOB to remove floatation device from bird #13<br>deploying airguns<br>Start profile SG_1 |
| J051 | 20/02/15 | 0335<br>0559<br>0904<br>1225<br>1642<br>1929<br>2235                                                                         | End profile SG_I<br>Start profile SG_F<br>End profile SG_J<br>End profile SG_J<br>Start profile SG_G<br>End profile SG_G<br>End profile SG_G                                                                                                                                                                           |
| J052 | 21/02/15 | 0151<br>0637<br>0916<br>1219<br>1825<br>2219                                                                                 | Start profile SG_N<br>End profile SG_N<br>Start profile SG_H<br>End profile SG_H<br>Repair gun-17<br>Start profile SG_C<br>End profile SG_C                                                                                                                                                                            |
| J053 | 22/02/15 | 0102<br>0455<br>0829<br>1207<br>1433<br>1725<br>1750<br>1830<br>2209                                                         | Start profile SG_M   End profile SG_M   Start profile SG_D   End profile SG_A   SEAL data logger falls over   SEAL restarted   End profile SG_A   Start profile SG_A                                                                                                                                                   |
| J054 | 23/02/15 | 0134<br>0414<br>0757<br>1410                                                                                                 | End profile SG_E<br>Start profile SG_B<br>End profile SG_B<br>Reconfigure for high resolution profile<br>Start profile RS_A                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| J055 | 24/02/15 | 1202<br>1915                                                                                                                 | End profile RS_A<br>Reconfigure for medium resolution profile<br>Start profile RS_B                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| J056 | 25/02/15 | 1900<br>1915                                                                                                                 | End profile RS_B<br>Recover guns and streamer                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| J057 | 26/02/15 | 0030<br>0053<br>0330<br>0743<br>0913<br>1056<br>1236<br>1402<br>1532                                                         | Gravimeter overheat problem<br>Gravimeter back on line<br>Streamer recovery complete<br>Recover SG_21<br>Recover SG_20<br>Recover SG_11<br>Recover SG_10<br>Recover SG_09<br>Recover SG_02                                                                                                                             |

| Day  | Date     | Time<br>(GMT)                                                                                                        | Activity                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|------|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|      |          | 1630<br>1708<br>1854<br>2055<br>2232<br>2359                                                                         | Start recovery of VA_02<br>Recovery complete<br>Recover SG_29<br>Recover SG_01<br>Recover SG_03<br>Recover SG_08                                                                                                                             |
| J058 | 27/02/15 | 0135<br>0306<br>0429<br>0556<br>0733<br>0904<br>1155<br>1320<br>1445<br>1615<br>1745<br>1908<br>2039<br>2212<br>2339 | Recover SG_08A<br>Recover SG_13A<br>Recover SG_13<br>Recover SG_13<br>Recover SG_23<br>Recover SG_24<br>Recover SG_22<br>Recover SG_22<br>Recover SG_19<br>Recover SG_12<br>Recover SG_17<br>Recover SG_14<br>Recover SG_04<br>Recover SG_05 |
| J059 | 28/02/15 | 0107<br>0242<br>0419<br>0538                                                                                         | Recover SG_06<br>Recover SG_15<br>Recover SG_16<br>Recover SG_25<br>Swathing                                                                                                                                                                 |
| J060 | 01/03/15 |                                                                                                                      | Swathing                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| J061 | 02/03/15 |                                                                                                                      | Swathing                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| J062 | 03/03/15 |                                                                                                                      | Swathing                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| J063 | 04/03/15 | 0337<br>1147<br>1703<br>2220                                                                                         | Swathing<br>Recover SR_04<br>Recover SR_03<br>Recover SR_02<br>Recover SR_01<br>Swathing                                                                                                                                                     |
| J064 | 05/03/15 | 1800                                                                                                                 | Swathing<br>Cease logging other than GPS/Gravity<br>Transit                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| J065 | 06/03/15 | 1200                                                                                                                 | Transit<br>Arrive anchorage Panama                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

## 10. Personnel

The RRS James Cook carried a total of 43 people during JC114 as listed below:

| 1  | A.L. SMITH           | Master                      |
|----|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| 2  | P.D. GAULD           | Chief Officer               |
| 3  | D.D.A. MORROW        | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Officer     |
| 4  | S. HOXBY             | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Officer     |
| 5  | R.J. INGLIS          | Chief Engineer              |
| 6  | M. MURRAY            | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Engineer    |
| 7  | M.G. MURREN          | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Engineer    |
| 8  | L. PORRELLI          | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Engineer    |
| 9  | S.M. ULBRICHT        | ETO                         |
| 10 | A. STEVENS           | PCO                         |
| 11 | M.A. HARRISON        | CPOS                        |
| 12 | P. ALLISON           | CPOD                        |
| 13 | D.A. PRICE           | POD                         |
| 14 | B. CONTEH            | ERPO                        |
| 15 | M.S. MOORE           | Seaman                      |
| 16 | J.D. WELTON          | Seaman                      |
| 17 | D. MACKENZIE         | Seaman                      |
| 18 | N.J. BYRNE           | Seaman                      |
| 19 | D.A. CAINES          | Head Chef                   |
| 20 | J. WATERHOUSE        | Chef                        |
| 21 | K.J. MASON           | Steward                     |
| 22 | T. DOCHERTY          | Assistant Steward           |
| 23 | R.W. HOBBS           | PSO                         |
| 24 | C. PEIRCE            | Co-PSO                      |
| 25 | A.H. ROBINSON        | Scientist                   |
| 26 | E.P.M. GREGORY       | Scientist                   |
| 27 | Q. TANG              | Scientist                   |
| 28 | C.A. VARGAS JIMENEZ  | Scientist                   |
| 29 | D.J. WILSON          | Scientist                   |
| 30 | M.J. FUNNELL         | Scientist                   |
| 31 | G.A. HAUGHTON        | Scientist                   |
| 32 | B.J. PITCAIRN        | OBIF                        |
| 33 | A.P. CLEGG           | OBIF                        |
| 34 | A. GONZALEZ NAKAZAWA | OBIF                        |
| 35 | M. ERFANIAN MEHR     | OBIF                        |
| 36 | M. CAMPOS GARCIA     | Observer                    |
| 37 | N.A. SLOAN           | TLO                         |
| 38 | J.E. SCOTT           | Technical Support           |
| 39 | W.M.C. RICHARDSON    | Technical Support           |
| 40 | A.J. LEADBEATER      | Technical Support           |
| 41 | M. MALTBY            | Technical Support           |
| 42 | M.J. SMITH           | Exploration Electronics Ltd |
| 43 | R.C. VAN HAREN       | Exploration Electronics Ltd |

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## Airgun configuration

B = 40 m (47 m for configuration 1)Bolt array tow depth = 8 m

GI array tow depth = 5 m (3 m for configuration 5)

|               | Gun number |     |     |          |            |     |      |      |
|---------------|------------|-----|-----|----------|------------|-----|------|------|
| Configuration | 1          | 2   | 3   | 4        | 5          | 6   | 7    | 8    |
|               |            |     | G   | un volun | ne (cu. in | .)  |      |      |
| 1             | 500        | 100 | 120 | 300      | 100        | 200 | 210* | 210* |
| 2             | 120        | 100 | 500 | 200      | 100        | 300 | 210* | 210* |
| 3             | 120        | 100 | 300 | 200      | 100        | 300 | 210* | 210* |
| 4             | 120        | 100 | 300 | 200      | 100        | 300 | 210* | 210* |
| 5             | -          | -   | -   | -        | -          | -   | 210* | 210* |
| 6             | 120        | 100 | 300 | 200      | 100        | 300 | -    | -    |

\*GI gun with 2 x 105 cu. in. chambers

Gun 17 is single Bolt 500 cu in towed without a buoy, estimated position is 20 m behind stern at a depth of 8 m used in conjunction with configuration 3 for the EX, SG (labelled as "Airgun configuration 3+") and RS B profile (labelled as "Airgun configuration 6+").

#### Streamer configuration

SEAL streamer system with a 12.5 m group interval and 3-200 Hz bandpass filter. During acquisition, several configurations were used according to the source parameters. The MCS summary includes the relevant configuration for each profile.

| Configuration | Number of<br>channels | Length (km) | Stern-to-channel 1<br>offset, S (m) | Tow depth (m) |
|---------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1             | 120                   | 1.5         | 103                                 | 10            |
| 2             | 360                   | 4.5         | 170                                 | 10            |
| 3             | 360                   | 4.5         | 170                                 | 3/5*          |

\*Front 1.5 km towed at 3 m depth. Transition to 5 m tow depth between birds 6 and 7.

#### **Appendix B - profile acquisition configurations**

## **MCS Acquisition Summary**

#### NG\_A.5

Airgun configuration 1; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 1; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 570    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 57.8 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 51     |



Shot interval (m)

| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment   |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|-----------|
| 101  | 2015:027:15:58:34 | 3.365440 | -83.929545 | FSP       |
| 303  | 2015:027:17:39:40 |          |            | Gun 1 off |
| 670  | 2015:027:20:43:04 | 3.364860 | -83.633921 | LSP       |

#### NG\_B.3

Airgun configuration 1; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 1; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 609    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 54.1 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 55     |



| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment        |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|----------------|
| 101  | 2015:027:02:06:04 | 3.329328 | -83.929402 | FSP, Gun 1 off |
| 709  | 2015:027:07:10:34 | 3.328473 | -83.633804 | LSP            |

#### NG\_C.6

Airgun configuration 1; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 1; 27 s record at 500 Hz

Total number of shots346Mean shot interval94.4 mExpected fold (25 m bin)31



|      |                   |          |            | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------------------------------------|
| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment                               |
| 101  | 2015:027:23:22:34 | 3.284943 | -83.637756 | FSP                                   |
| 446  | 2015:028:02:15:04 | 3.284177 | -83.930507 | LSP                                   |

#### NG\_D.4

Airgun configuration 1; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 1; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 335    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 97.7 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 30     |



| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment        |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|----------------|
| 101  | 2015:027:10:00:34 | 3.239809 | -83.637440 | FSP, Gun 1 off |
| 435  | 2015:027:12:47:34 | 3.238970 | -83.930898 | LSP            |

NG\_E.1

Airgun configuration 1; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 1; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 51     |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 95.5 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 31     |



Shot interval (m)

| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment   |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|-----------|
| 101  | 2015:026:19:58:34 | 3.194681 | -83.637701 | FSP       |
| 104  | 2015:026:20:00:10 |          |            | Gun 1 off |
| 151  | 2015:026:20:23:34 | 3.194947 | -83.680625 | LSP       |

#### NG\_EA.2

Airgun configuration 1; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 1; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 97     |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 97.2 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 30     |



|      |                   |          |            | Onot interval (in) |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|--------------------|
| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment            |
| 1001 | 2015:026:21:59:34 | 3.196961 | -83.846972 | FSP                |
| 1097 | 2015:026:22:48:04 | 3.197477 | -83.930833 | LSP                |

#### NG\_F.8

Airgun configuration 1; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 1; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 433    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 70.5 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 42     |



Shot interval (m)

| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|
| 101  | 2015:028:15:07:04 | 3.157412 | -83.871771 | FSP     |
| 533  | 2015:028:18:43:04 | 3.432400 | -83.872555 | LSP     |

#### NG\_G.10

Airgun configuration 1; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 1; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 490    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 66.8 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 44     |



Shot interval (m)

| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|
| 103  | 2015:029:03:41:34 | 3.137794 | -83.827134 | FSP     |
| 592  | 2015:029:07:46:04 | 3.432968 | -83.827616 | LSP     |

# Streamer configuration 1; 27 s record at 500 Hz

NG\_H.7

| Total number of shots    | 408    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 79.6 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 37     |

Airgun configuration 1; Shot interval 30 s

|      |                   |          |            |         | Shot interval (m) |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|-------------------|
| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |                   |
| 101  | 2015:028:09:19:34 | 3.429017 | -83.782577 | FSP     |                   |
| 508  | 2015:028:12:43:04 | 3.136221 | -83.782091 | LSP     |                   |

## NG\_I.9

| Airgun configuration 1; Shot inte | erval 30 s      |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Streamer configuration 1; 27 s r  | ecord at 500 Hz |
| Total number of shots             | 359             |
| Mean shot interval                | 84.3 m          |
| Expected fold (25 m bin)          | 35              |



|      |                   |          |            | Shut interval (III) |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------------------|
| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment             |
| 102  | 2015:028:22:32:04 | 3.409617 | -83.737645 | FSP                 |
| 460  | 2015:029:01:31:04 | 3.137057 | -83.736780 | LSP                 |

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Frequency (%)

## NG\_J.11

Airgun configuration 1; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 1; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 368    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 88.8 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 33     |

| слроо |                   |          |            |         | Shot interval (m) |
|-------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|-------------------|
| FFID  | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |                   |
| 101   | 2015:029:11:20:04 | 3.430860 | -83.692557 | FSP     |                   |
| 468   | 2015:029:14:23:34 | 3.136269 | -83.691806 | LSP     |                   |

#### NG\_Bb.13

Airgun configuration 1; Shot interval 20 s Streamer configuration 2; 17 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 920    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 37.3 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 241    |



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| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |  |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|--|
| 101  | 2015:030:20:12:20 | 3.332137 | -83.942163 | FSP     |  |
| 1020 | 2015:031:01:18:40 | 3.325618 | -83.634457 | LSP     |  |



## Airgun configuration 1; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 2; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 347    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 94.6 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 95     |

| •    |                   |          |            |         | Shot interval (m) |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|-------------------|
| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |                   |
| 101  | 2015:030:13:48:00 | 3.194504 | -83.637517 | FSP     |                   |
| 447  | 2015:030:16:41:00 | 3.193728 | -83.931776 | LSP     |                   |

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Frequency (%)

## NG\_FF.16

NG\_EE.12

Airgun configuration 1; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 2; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 390    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 83.9 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 107    |

|      | ()                |          |            | Shot interval (m) |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|-------------------|
| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment           |
| 101  | 2015:031:21:46:30 | 3.138445 | -83.871878 | FSP, Gun 3 off    |
| 490  | 2015:032:01:01:00 | 3.433204 | -83.872535 | LSP               |

## NG\_II.15

Airgun configuration 1; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 2; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 450    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 72.2 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 124    |

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|-----------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|------------|-------------------|
| FFID                                    | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment           |
| 101                                     | 2015:031:15:26:30 | 3.428635 | -83.737751 | FSP, Gun 3 off    |
| 550                                     | 2015:031:19:11:00 | 3.135688 | -83.736968 | LSP               |

#### NG\_K.14

Airgun configuration 1; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 2; 27 s record at 500 Hz

Total number of shots 521 Mean shot interval 94.7 m Expected fold (25 m bin) 95

|      |                   |          |            |         | Shot interval (III) |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|---------------------|
| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |                     |
| 101  | 2015:031:06:32:00 | 3.117374 | -83.613760 | FSP     |                     |
| 621  | 2015:031:10:52:00 | 3.427438 | -83.930964 | LSP     |                     |

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EX\_A.1

Airgun configuration 2; Shot interval 20 s Streamer configuration 2; 17 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 3604   |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 46.7 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 192    |



Shot interval (m)

| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment             |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------------------|
| 101  | 2015:035:17:41:00 | 1.730222 | -83.682134 | FSP, Guns 1 & 8 off |
| 952  | 2015:035:22:24:46 |          |            | Gun 3 off           |
| 1055 | 2015:035:23:00:00 |          |            | Gun 8 on            |
| 3704 | 2015:036:13:42:04 | 1.727780 | -85.190720 | LSP                 |

#### EX\_B.2

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 20 s Streamer configuration 2; 17 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 2260   |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 43.2 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 208    |



Shot interval (m)

| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|
| 101  | 2015:036:19:53:20 | 1.808382 | -84.960249 | FSP     |
| 2360 | 2015:037:08:26:20 | 0.926847 | -84.959486 | LSP     |

## EX\_C.3

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 20 s Streamer configuration 2; 17 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 302    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 61.5 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 146    |



Shot interval (m)

| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment    |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|------------|
| 101  | 2015:037:13:13:20 | 1.249777 | -85.076154 | FSP        |
| 370  | 2015:037:14:43:06 |          |            | Gun 17 off |
| 402  | 2015:037:14:53:40 | 1.416745 | -85.076100 | LSP        |

## EX\_CA.4

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 20 s Streamer configuration 2; 17 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 657    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 51.4 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 175    |



| Shot interval | (m |
|---------------|----|
|               |    |

| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|
| 101  | 2015:037:16:24:40 | 1.517817 | -85.076123 | FSP     |
| 757  | 2015:037:20:03:20 | 1.821946 | -85.076250 | LSP     |

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## EX\_D.5

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 20 s Streamer configuration 2; 17 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 855    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 60.6 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 148    |

|      |                   |          |            |         | Shot interval (m) |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|-------------------|
| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |                   |
| 101  | 2015:037:21:08:00 | 1.842389 | -84.985351 | FSP     |                   |
| 955  | 2015:038:01:52:40 | 1.842517 | -84.521384 | LSP     |                   |

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## EX\_E.6

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 20 s Streamer configuration 2; 17 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 1919   |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 48.4 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 185    |

|      |                   |          |            |         | Shot interval (m) |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|-------------------|
| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |                   |
| 101  | 2015:038:03:16:40 | 1.761963 | -84.475498 | FSP     |                   |
| 2019 | 2015:038:13:56:00 | 0.939465 | -84.639554 | LSP     |                   |

## EX\_F.7

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 20 s Streamer configuration 2; 17 s record at 500 Hz

Total number of shots 1375 Mean shot interval 53.8 m Expected fold (25 m bin) 167

| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment                                  |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|------------------------------------------|
| 101  | 2015:038:15:23:38 | 0.874320 | -84.720362 | FSP                                      |
| 698  | 2015:038:18:42:40 |          |            | Break for pilot whales                   |
| 807  | 2015:038:19:19:00 |          |            | Continued on full power after soft start |
| 1475 | 2015:038:23:02:00 | 0.874175 | -85.383247 | LSP                                      |

## EX\_G.8

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 20 s Streamer configuration 2; 17 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 1802   |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 49.1 r |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 183    |



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| Shot | interval  | (m) |  |
|------|-----------|-----|--|
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## EX\_H.9

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 20 s Streamer configuration 2; 17 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 1822   |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 58.1 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 154    |

|      | ()                |          |            |         | Shot interval (m) |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|-------------------|
| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |                   |
| 101  | 2015:039:11:21:40 | 1.791547 | -85.347399 | FSP     |                   |
| 1940 | 2015:039:21:34:40 | 1.748212 | -84.389823 | LSP     |                   |

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Frequency (%)

## EX\_I.10

| Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 20 s<br>Streamer configuration 2; 17 s record at 500 Hz |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| Total number of shots                                                                          | 1281 |

|                          | 1201   |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 57.8 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 155    |
|                          |        |

| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|
| 101  | 2015:039:22:26:40 | 1.694692 | -84.346601 | FSP     |
| 1381 | 2015:040:05:34:20 | 1.047936 | -84.510865 | LSP     |

## EX\_II.11

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 20 s Streamer configuration 2; 17 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 1074   |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 44.5 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 202    |

| _,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, |                   |          |            |         | Shot interval (m) |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|-------------------|
| FFID                                    | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |                   |
| 101                                     | 2015:040:06:49:00 | 0.979297 | -84.581778 | FSP     |                   |
| 1174                                    | 2015:040:12:46:40 | 1.193310 | -84.866613 | LSP     |                   |

## EX\_J.12

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 20 s Streamer configuration 2; 17 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 2483   |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 52.1 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 172    |



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| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|
| 101  | 2015:040:13:42:40 | 1.233113 | -84.813738 | FSP     |
| 2583 | 2015:041:03:30:00 | 1.226781 | -83.654862 | LSP     |



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## EX\_K.13

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 20 s Streamer configuration 2; 17 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 657    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 59.8 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 150    |

| requency (%) | 40 -<br>30 -<br>20 -<br>10 - |    | 1  |    |  |
|--------------|------------------------------|----|----|----|--|
| ш.           | 0-                           | 40 | 60 | 80 |  |

|      | ()                |          |            |         | Shot interval (m) |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|-------------------|
| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |                   |
| 101  | 2015:041:05:02:20 | 1.093907 | -83.607469 | FSP     |                   |
| 757  | 2015:041:08:41:00 | 0.740338 | -83.589742 | LSP     |                   |

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## SAP\_A.3

| Airgun configuration 4; Shot<br>Streamer configuration 2; 44            | ) 3 2 1               | 0 -<br>0 -<br>0 - |     |      |            |     |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----|------|------------|-----|---|
| Total number of shots<br>Mean shot interval<br>Expected fold (25 m bin) | 1877<br>158.8 m<br>56 | Fre               | 0 1 | 140  | 160        | 180 | F |
|                                                                         |                       |                   |     | Shot | interval ( | (m) |   |

| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment                 |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|-------------------------|
| 101  | 2015:043:19:04:00 | 3.599614 | -83.684937 | FSP                     |
| 245  | 2015:043:21:30:00 |          |            | Change to 42.5 s record |
| 1474 | 2015:044:18:00:00 |          |            | Change to 41 s record   |
| 1977 | 2015:045:02:23:00 | 0.907625 | -83.739531 | LSP                     |

## SAP\_AA.4 (turn)

Airgun configuration 4; Shot interval 60 s Streamer configuration 2; 41 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 178     |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Mean shot interval       | 167.8 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 53      |



#### Shot interval (m)

| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|
| 101  | 2015:045:02:27:00 | 0.901529 | -83.739881 | FSP     |
| 278  | 2015:045:05:24:00 | 0.926785 | -83.874442 | LSP     |

#### SAP\_B.1

Airgun configuration 4; Shot interval 60 s Streamer configuration 2; 47 s record at 500 Hz

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|--------------------------|---------|
| Total number of shots    | 530     |
| Mean shot interval       | 132.1 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 68      |



#### Shot interval (m)

| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment                           |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|-----------------------------------|
| 101  | 2015:041:14:04:00 | 0.956635 | -83.721653 | FSP                               |
| 630  | 2015:041:22:53:00 | 1.587468 | -83.749111 | LSP, streamer problems after this |

#### SAP\_BB.1

Airgun configuration 4; Shot interval 60 s Streamer configuration 2; 47 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 1613    |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Mean shot interval       | 157.5 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 57      |



Comment FFID Time Latitude Longitude 101 2015:042:13:05:00 1.433885 -83.742307 FSP 253 Change to 41 s record 2015:042:15:45:00 -83.819630 1713 2015:043:16:05:00 3.721872 LSP

#### SAP\_C.5

Airgun configuration 4; Shot interval 60 s Streamer configuration 2; 41 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 2192    |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Mean shot interval       | 138.2 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 65      |



Shot interval (m)

| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment        |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|----------------|
| 102  | 2015:045:05:30:00 | 0.934662 | -83.874404 | FSP            |
| 2073 | 2015:046:14:24:00 |          |            | Guns 7 & 8 off |
| 2293 | 2015:046:18:01:00 | 3.669144 | -83.820638 | LSP            |

#### SG\_A.10

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 2; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 435    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 73.2 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 122    |



Shot interval (m)

| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment                              |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|--------------------------------------|
| 101  | 2015:053:14:33:30 | 1.323462 | -83.915691 | FSP                                  |
| 437  | 2015:053:17:21:30 |          |            | No record                            |
| 445  | 2015:053:17:25:30 |          |            | Bad record to FFID 455, streamer off |
| 456  | 2015:053:17:50:30 |          |            | Resumed recording after ~4 km gap    |
| 536  | 2015:053:18:30:30 | 1.323875 | -83.603882 | LSP                                  |

#### SG\_B.12

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 2; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 446    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 76.6 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 117    |



| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|
| 101  | 2015:054:04:14:30 | 1.278464 | -83.909344 | FSP     |
| 546  | 2015:054:07:57:00 | 1.278945 | -83.603211 | LSP     |

## SG\_C.7

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 2; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 468    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 73.6 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 122    |

| Mean shot interval<br>Expected fold (25 m bin) |                   | 73.6 m<br>122 |            |         | 60                | 80 | 100 |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|---------|-------------------|----|-----|
|                                                |                   |               |            |         | Shot interval (m) |    |     |
| FID                                            | Time              | Latitude      | Longitude  | Comment |                   |    |     |
| 101                                            | 2015:052:18:25:30 | 1.234315      | -83.645068 | FSP     |                   |    |     |
| 568 2015:052:22:19:00                          |                   | 1.233552      | -83.953424 | LSP     |                   |    |     |

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Frequency (%)

#### SG\_D.9

FFID 101

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 2; 27 s record at 500 Hz \_ . . . *.* . ...

| lotal number of shots    | 437    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 79.7 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 112    |

|      | ()                |          |            |         | Shot interval (m) |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|-------------------|
| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |                   |
| 101  | 2015:053:08:29:30 | 1.188424 | -83.641347 | FSP     |                   |
| 537  | 2015:053:12:07:30 | 1.187868 | -83.953345 | LSP     |                   |

## SG\_E.11

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 2; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 411    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 83.6 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 107    |

| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|
| 101  | 2015:053:22:09:00 | 1.143258 | -83.645414 | FSP     |
| 511  | 2015:054:01:34:00 | 1.142823 | -83.953234 | LSP     |

#### SG\_F.2

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 2; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 371    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 93.5 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 96     |



| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|
| 101  | 2015:051:05:59:30 | 1.097563 | -83.867935 | FSP     |
| 471  | 2015:051:09:04:30 | 1.410101 | -83.868196 | LSP     |





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Shot interval (m)

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|--------|---|
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Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 2; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 373    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 92.3 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 97     |

|      |                   |          |            |         | Shot Interval (m) |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|-------------------|
| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |                   |
| 101  | 2015:051:19:29:00 | 1.099300 | -83.822955 | FSP     |                   |
| 473  | 2015:051:22:35:00 | 1.409559 | -83.823187 | LSP     |                   |

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10 0

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30

20

10 0

Frequency (%)

80

100

120

Frequency (%)

#### SG\_H.6

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 2; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 366    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 96.3 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 93     |

|      |                   |          |            | Shot interval (m) |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|-------------------|
| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment           |
| 101  | 2015:052:09:16:30 | 1.091852 | -83.778120 | FSP, Gun 17 off   |
| 466  | 2015:052:12:19:00 | 1.409442 | -83.778395 | LSP               |

## SG\_I.1

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 2; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 491    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 71.2 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 126    |

| _,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, |                   |          |            |         | Shot interval (m) |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|-------------------|
| FFID                                    | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |                   |
| 101                                     | 2015:050:23:30:00 | 1.368365 | -83.733551 | FSP     |                   |
| 591                                     | 2015:051:03:35:30 | 1.053310 | -83.733139 | LSP     |                   |

#### SG\_J.3

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 2; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 515    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 67.3 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 133    |



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100

|      |                   |          |            |         | Shot interval (III) |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|---------------------|
| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |                     |
| 101  | 2015:051:12:25:00 | 1.370098 | -83.688622 | FSP     |                     |
| 615  | 2015:051:16:42:00 | 1.057555 | -83.688307 | LSP     |                     |



## SG\_M.8

Airgun configuration 3+; Shot interval 30 s Streamer configuration 2; 27 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 466    |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Mean shot interval       | 74.2 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 121    |

| •    | · · · · · ·       |          |            |         | Shot interval (m) |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|-------------------|
| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |                   |
| 101  | 2015:053:01:02:48 | 1.368788 | -83.912870 | FSP     |                   |
| 566  | 2015:053:04:55:30 | 1.369088 | -83.603084 | LSP     |                   |

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#### SG\_N.5

| Airgun configuration 3+; Sho<br>Streamer configuration 2; 27 | ot interval 30 s<br>7 s record at 500 Hz | duency ( | 30 -<br>20 -<br>10 - |     |            |             |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------|----------------------|-----|------------|-------------|
| Total number of shots                                        | 572                                      | Fre      | 01                   |     |            | <del></del> |
| Mean shot interval                                           | 60.4 m                                   |          |                      | 40  | 60         | 80          |
| Expected fold (25 m bin)                                     | 149                                      |          |                      | Sho | t interval | l (m)       |

|      |                   |          |            | Shut interval (III) |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------------------|
| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment             |
| 101  | 2015:052:01:51:30 | 1.368443 | -83.643754 | FSP                 |
| 191  | 2015:052:02:36:36 |          |            | Gun 17 off          |
| 672  | 2015:052:06:37:00 | 1.056865 | -83.643401 | LSP                 |

## RS\_A.1

Airgun configuration 5; Shot interval 15 s Streamer configuration 3; 10 s record at 1000 Hz

Total number of shots5Mean shot interval3Expected fold (25 m bin)2

5250 39.6 m 227



| Shot | interval | (m) |
|------|----------|-----|
|------|----------|-----|

|      |                   |          |            | · · · · |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|---------|
| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment |
| 101  | 2015:054:14:10:15 | 1.096659 | -83.735906 | FSP     |
| 5350 | 2015:055:12:02:30 | 2.975441 | -83.697125 | LSP     |
|      |                   |          |            |         |

## RS\_B.2

Airgun configuration 6+; Shot interval 60 s Streamer configuration 2; 17 s record at 500 Hz

| Total number of shots    | 1426    |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Mean shot interval       | 144.9 m |
| Expected fold (25 m bin) | 62      |



Shot interval (m)

|      |                   |          |            | · · · ·   |
|------|-------------------|----------|------------|-----------|
| FFID | Time              | Latitude | Longitude  | Comment   |
| 101  | 2015:055:19:15:00 | 2.963541 | -83.697828 | FSP       |
| 269  | 2015:055:22:03:00 |          |            | Gun 2 off |
| 1526 | 2015:056:19:00:00 | 1.099502 | -83.735746 | LSP       |
|      |                   |          |            |           |



## Appendix C - OBS deployment

## North Grid OBS deployment summary

| Aroo | Sito  | Latitudo | Longitudo  | Donth  | Doploymont time   | Pocovory timo     | Logger | OBS   | Sample    |
|------|-------|----------|------------|--------|-------------------|-------------------|--------|-------|-----------|
| Alea | Sile  | Latitude | Longitude  | Depin  |                   | Recovery lime     | number | type  | rate (Hz) |
| NG   | NG_01 | 3.364833 | -83.689833 | 2939.0 | 2015:025:08:49:00 | 2015:032:15:34:00 | 69     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_02 | 3.369267 | -83.734733 | 2985.0 | 2015:025:09:26:00 | 2015:032:14:20:00 | 62     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_03 | 3.369025 | -83.780011 | 3013.1 | 2015:025:10:18:40 | 2015:032:12:44:45 | 72     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_04 | 3.369235 | -83.824064 | 2954.7 | 2015:025:10:45:16 | 2015:047:00:53:00 | 57     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_05 | 3.368930 | -83.869448 | 2911.7 | 2015:025:11:19:36 | 2015:032:10:59:30 | 58     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_06 | 3.332790 | -83.869530 | 2979.3 | 2015:025:11:47:10 | 2015:032:21:45:00 | 67     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_07 | 3.331251 | -83.824747 | 2914.8 | 2015:025:12:21:30 | 2015:047:17:47:00 | 63     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_08 | 3.333187 | -83.779434 | 2893.3 | 2015:025:12:57:30 | 2015:032:20:05:00 | 46     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_09 | 3.342175 | -83.734820 | 2957.8 | 2015:025:13:27:27 | 2015:032:18:17:00 | 47     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_10 | 3.329046 | -83.689653 | 3086.8 | 2015:025:13:58:20 | 2015:032:16:57:00 | 65     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_11 | 3.284860 | -83.690450 | 2973.0 | 2015:025:14:27:00 | 2015:033:02:57:00 | 76     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_12 | 3.289117 | -83.733950 | 3111.4 | 2015:025:14:59:00 | 2015:032:01:48:00 | 73     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_13 | 3.284300 | -83.779133 | 2973.2 | 2015:025:15:24:59 | 2015:033:00:14:00 | 70     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_14 | 3.288100 | -83.825983 | 2973.2 | 2015:025:15:54:50 | 2015:048:02:40:00 | 40     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_15 | 3.287800 | -83.869300 | 2927.1 | 2015:025:16:20:26 | 2015:032:22:56:00 | 54     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_16 | 3.243267 | -83.869600 | 2881.0 | 2015:025:16:55:00 | 2015:033:08:50:00 | 74     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_17 | 3.247067 | -83.824383 | 2831.8 | 2015:025:17:26:55 | 2015:047:16:02:00 | 44     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_18 | 3.241750 | -83.774783 | 2963.9 | 2015:025:18:10:14 | 2015:032:07:02:00 | 68     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_19 | 3.247317 | -83.735283 | 3024.0 | 2015:026:04:57:00 | 2015:033:05:37:00 | 51     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_20 | 3.241917 | -83.689050 | 3125.0 | 2015:026:05:30:00 | 2015:033:04:22:00 | 66     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_21 | 3.193033 | -83.688906 | 2767.3 | 2015:026:13:33:55 | 2015:032:14:26:00 | 55     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_22 | 3.201986 | -83.734111 | 2877.9 | 2015:026:13:05:00 | 2015:033:12:45:00 | 61     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_23 | 3.188354 | -83.778672 | 2862.6 | 2015:026:12:37:10 | 2015:033:11:34:00 | 53     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG_24 | 3.197386 | -83.823513 | 2650.6 | 2015:026:12:09:11 | 2015:048:09:29:00 | 75     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| NG   | NG 25 | 3.197432 | -83.868668 | 2696.7 | 2015:026:11:42:25 | 2015:033:10:08:00 | 71     | LC4x4 | 500       |

## Synthetic Aperture Profile OBS deployment summary

| Area | Site   | Latitude | Longitude  | Depth  | Deployment time   | Recovery time     | Logger | OBS    | Sample    |
|------|--------|----------|------------|--------|-------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|-----------|
| /    |        | Landao   | Longitudo  | Dopui  |                   |                   | number | type   | rate (Hz) |
| SAP  | SAP_01 | 3.532167 | -83.836733 | 2589.0 | 2015:032:08:06:35 | 2015:047:21:28:00 | 60     | LC4x4  | 500       |
| SAP  | SAP_02 | 3.450733 | -83.833033 | 2672.0 | 2015:032:09:01:00 | 2015:047:22:39:00 | 50     | LC4x4  | 500       |
| SAP  | SAP_08 | 3.105267 | -83.815800 | 2804.0 | 2015:033:15:37:00 | 2015:048:07:46:00 | 58     | LC4x4  | 500       |
| SAP  | SAP_09 | 3.026150 | -83.813317 | 2688.0 | 2015:033:16:16:00 | 2015:048:05:55:00 | 72     | LC4x4  | 500       |
| SAP  | SAP_10 | 2.941133 | -83.809767 | 2939.0 | 2015:033:16:56:00 | 2015:048:12:14:00 | 22     | LC2000 | 250       |
| SAP  | SAP_11 | 2.864467 | -83.806217 | 3158.0 | 2015:033:17:32:00 | 2015:048:13:54:00 | 62     | LC4x4  | 500       |
| SAP  | SAP_12 | 2.783750 | -83.802983 | 3170.0 | 2015:033:18:13:26 | 2015:048:15:36:00 | 23     | LC2000 | 250       |
| SAP  | SAP_13 | 2.702900 | -83.799050 | 3213.0 | 2015:033:19:01:00 | 2015:048:17:39:00 | 69     | LC4x4  | 500       |
| SAP  | SAP_14 | 2.621367 | -83.795450 | 3342.0 | 2015:033:19:47:00 | 2015:048:19:01:00 | 05     | LC2000 | 250       |
| SAP  | SAP_15 | 2.540267 | -83.791900 | 3197.0 | 2015:033:20:33:00 | 2015:048:21:09:00 | 65     | LC4x4  | 500       |
| SAP  | SAP 16 | 2.459417 | -83.788131 | 3298.0 | 2015:033:21:16:50 | 2015:048:23:08:00 | 17     | LC2000 | 250       |
| SAP  | SAP_17 | 2.378052 | -83.784625 | 3296.0 | 2015:033:22:01:35 | 2015:048:01:11:00 | 47     | LC4x4  | 500       |
| SAP  | SAP 18 | 2.296720 | -83.780814 | 3460.0 | 2015:033:22:41:48 | 2015:049:03:18:58 | 01     | LC2000 | 250       |
| SAP  | SAP 19 | 2.215980 | -83.776990 | 3151.0 | 2015:033:23:21:11 | 2015:049:05:17:00 | 46     | LC4x4  | 500       |
| SAP  | SAP 20 | 2.134609 | -83.773484 | 3302.0 | 2015:034:00:01:50 | 2015:049:07:18:00 | 07     | LC2000 | 250       |
| SAP  | SAP 21 | 2.053401 | -83.769690 | 3382.0 | 2015:034:00:42:33 | 2015:049:08:56:00 | 67     | LC4x4  | 500       |
| SAP  | SAP 22 | 1.972540 | -83.765967 | 3311.0 | 2015:034:01:23:40 | 2015:049:10:56:00 | 08     | LC2000 | 250       |
| SAP  | SAP 23 | 1.892067 | -83.762633 | 3422.0 | 2015:034:02:06:00 | 2015:049:12:55:00 | 54     | LC4x4  | 500       |
| SAP  | SAP 24 | 1.810383 | -83.758867 | 3256.0 | 2015:034:02:50:00 | 2015:049:19:23:00 | 20     | LC2000 | 250       |
| SAP  | SAP 25 | 1.728767 | -83.755150 | 3210.0 | 2015:034:03:31:00 | 2015:049:16:37:00 | 70     | LC4x4  | 500       |
| SAP  | SAP 26 | 1.648817 | -83.751750 | 3247.0 | 2015:034:04:13:00 | 2015:049:18:52:00 | 13     | LC2000 | 250       |
| SAP  | SAP 27 | 1.567083 | -83.747850 | 3428.0 | 2015:034:04:50:00 | 2015:049:21:11:00 | 73     | LC4x4  | 500       |
| SAP  | SAP 28 | 1.487900 | -83.743917 | 3434.0 | 2015:034:05:29:00 | 2015:049:23:51:00 | 16     | LC2000 | 250       |
| SAP  | SAP 29 | 1.405267 | -83.740700 | 3560.0 | 2015:034:06:00:00 | 2015:057:18:54:00 | 76     | LC4x4  | 500       |
| SAP  | SAP_35 | 1.062650 | -83.725933 | 3416.0 | 2015:034:09:46:00 | 2015:058:11:55:00 | 53     | LC4x4  | 500       |

# South Grid OBS deployment summary

| Area | Site    | Latitude | Longitude  | Denth  | Deployment time   | Recovery time     | Logger | OBS   | Sample    |
|------|---------|----------|------------|--------|-------------------|-------------------|--------|-------|-----------|
| /    | 0.10    | Latitudo | Longitudo  | Dopui  |                   |                   | number | type  | rate (Hz) |
| SG   | SG_01   | 1.323948 | -83.688732 | 3498.5 | 2015:050:01:14:10 | 2015:057:20:45:20 | 61     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG_02   | 1.324327 | -83.733148 | 3452.0 | 2015:034:07:04:00 | 2015:057:15:21:00 | 66     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG_03   | 1.324558 | -83.777492 | 3430.9 | 2015:050:01:59:49 | 2015:057:22:31:52 | 55     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG_04   | 1.324167 | -83.823367 | 3419.0 | 2015:050:02:43:00 | 2015:058:22:12:00 | 60     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG_05   | 1.323783 | -83.867217 | 3437.0 | 2015:050:03:04:00 | 2015:058:23:39:00 | 50     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG_06   | 1.278683 | -83.868283 | 3477.0 | 2015:050:03:35:00 | 2015:058:01:07:00 | 57     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG_07   | 1.279117 | -83.823533 | 3302.0 | 2015:050:04:05:00 | 2015:058:20:39:00 | 63     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG_08   | 1.279067 | -83.779517 | 3472.0 | 2015:050:04:40:00 | 2015:057:00:00:00 | 40     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG_08_A | 1.273850 | -83.777917 | 3477.0 | 2015:050:04:49:00 | 2015:058:01:35:00 | N/A    | Proto | 500       |
| SG   | SG_09   | 1.279017 | -83.732850 | 3472.0 | 2015:034:07:33:00 | 2015:057:14:02:00 | 51     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG_10   | 1.279367 | -83.688783 | 3446.0 | 2015:050:05:33:00 | 2015:057:12:36:00 | 44     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG_11   | 1.234283 | -83.688467 | 3452.0 | 2015:050:06:08:00 | 2015:057:10:57:00 | 75     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG 12   | 1.233817 | -83.733100 | 3452.0 | 2015:034:08:03:00 | 2015:058:16:13:51 | 68     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG_13   | 1.233617 | -83.777733 | 3443.0 | 2015:050:06:54:00 | 2015:057:04:29:07 | 58     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG_13_A | 1.237433 | -83.778600 | 3446.0 | 2015:050:07:05:00 | 2015:058:03:06:00 | N/A    | Proto | 500       |
| SG   | SG_14   | 1.233583 | -83.821583 | 3462.0 | 2015:050:07:36:00 | 2015:058:19:05:00 | 52     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG 15   | 1.233350 | -83.867583 | 3495.0 | 2015:050:08:02:00 | 2015:059:02:41:51 | 62     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG 16   | 1.188750 | -83.867950 | 3437.0 | 2015:050:08:31:00 | 2015:059:04:20:33 | 69     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG_17   | 1.188317 | -83.823267 | 3431.0 | 2015:050:08:58:00 | 2015:058:17:42:36 | 65     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG_18   | 1.188597 | -83.778883 | 3354.0 | 2015:050:09:19:00 | 2015:058:05:55:51 | 47     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG 19   | 1.188917 | -83.733367 | 3385.0 | 2015:034:08:32:00 | 2015:058:14:44:50 | 74     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG_20   | 1.188750 | -83.688833 | 3419.0 | 2015:050:10:03:00 | 2015:057:09:14:00 | 45     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG 21   | 1.143150 | -83.688167 | 3440.0 | 2015:050:10:34:00 | 2015:057:07:43:00 | 67     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG 22   | 1.143333 | -83.733033 | 3465.0 | 2015:034:08:59:00 | 2015:058:13:20:00 | 71     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG_23   | 1.143067 | -83.778167 | 3425.0 | 2015:050:11:17:00 | 2015:058:07:33:00 | 54     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG_24   | 1.143017 | -83.822983 | 3428.0 | 2015:050:11:43:00 | 2015:058:09:04:00 | 70     | LC4x4 | 500       |
| SG   | SG 25   | 1.143117 | -83.868017 | 3484.0 | 2015:050:12:07:00 | 2015:059:05:51:06 | 73     | LC4x4 | 500       |

## Vertical Hydrophone Array deployment summary

| Area | Site      | Latitude | Longitude  | Depth  | Deployment time   | Recovery time     | Logger<br>number | OBS<br>type | Sample<br>rate (Hz) |
|------|-----------|----------|------------|--------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| VA   | VA_01_BOT | 3.214750 | -83.828510 | 2312.5 | 2015:025:06:40:38 | 2015:048:14:00:00 | 45               | LC4x4       | 500                 |
| VA   | VA_01_MID | 3.214750 | -83.828510 | 2296.0 | 2015:025:06:40:38 | 2015:048:14:00:00 | 52               | LC4x4       | 500                 |
| VA   | VA_01_TOP | 3.214750 | -83.828510 | 2275.0 | 2015:025:06:40:38 | 2015:048:14:00:00 | 64               | LC4x4       | 500                 |
| VA   | VA_02_BOT | 1.300200 | -83.733683 | 2935.0 | 2015:034:14:27:00 | 2015:057:17:08:00 | 49               | LC4x4       | 500                 |
| VA   | VA_02_MID | 1.300200 | -83.733683 | 2913.0 | 2015:034:14:27:00 | 2015:057:17:08:00 | 42               | LC4x4       | 500                 |
| VA   | VA_02_TOP | 1.300200 | -83.733683 | 2891.0 | 2015:034:14:27:00 | 2015:057:17:08:00 | 43               | LC4x4       | 500                 |

## Sandra Ridge OBS deployment summary

| Aroo | Sito  | Latitudo | Longitudo  | Donth  | Doploymont time   | Booovon, timo     | Logger | OBS    | Sample    |
|------|-------|----------|------------|--------|-------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|-----------|
| Alea | Sile  | Latitude | Longitude  | Deptin |                   | Recovery unie     | number | type   | rate (Hz) |
| SR   | SR_01 | 5.348883 | -81.901667 | 3881.0 | 2015:024:02:48:00 | 2015:063:22:17:00 | 19     | LC2000 | 250       |
| SR   | SR_02 | 5.299662 | -81.341014 | 3412.0 | 2015:024:06:31:00 | 2015:063:17:01:00 | 18     | LC2000 | 250       |
| SR   | SR_03 | 4.829750 | -81.340400 | 3824.0 | 2015:024:09:28:00 | 2015:063:11:47:00 | 06     | LC2000 | 250       |
| SR   | SR_04 | 4.499579 | -82.000970 | 3993.1 | 2015:024:13:35:35 | 2015:063:03:36:00 | 12     | LC2000 | 250       |
## Appendix D - marine mammal observer watches

| Julian Day | Date       | Time start | Time end |
|------------|------------|------------|----------|
| 26         | 26/01/2015 | 14:30      | 18:38    |
| 26         | 26/01/2015 | 20:28      | 22:06    |
| 27         | 27/01/2015 | 11:33      | 16:20    |
| 27         | 27/01/2015 | 19:51      | 22:42    |
| 30         | 30/01/2015 | 11:40      | 13:10    |
| 31         | 31/01/2015 | 11:35      | 15:07    |
| 35         | 04/02/2015 | 11:58      | 17:33    |
| 36         | 05/02/2015 | 18:18      | 19:55    |
| 37         | 06/02/2015 | 11:37      | 13:17    |
| 37         | 06/02/2015 | 14:57      | 16:36    |
| 37         | 06/02/2015 | 18:58      | 21:10    |
| 38         | 07/02/2015 | 18:42      | 19:42    |
| 41         | 10/02/2015 | 11:40      | 13:31    |
| 42         | 11/02/2015 | 11:34      | 13:11    |
| 50         | 19/02/2015 | 16:07      | 16:59    |
| 50         | 19/02/2015 | 20:04      | 22:55    |
| 52         | 21/02/2015 | 14:11      | 15:42    |
| 54         | 23/02/2015 | 11:30      | 13:20    |
| 55         | 24/02/2015 | 17:35      | 19:04    |
|            |            |            |          |

## Times of Marine Mammal Observer (MMO) Watches

## Appendix E - swath survey way points

| NAME  | TRANSIT    | Lat      | Log       | Distance | Lat |          | Long West |          |
|-------|------------|----------|-----------|----------|-----|----------|-----------|----------|
|       | AND        |          |           | (approx) | Deg | Min      | Deg       | Min      |
|       | SWATH      |          |           | nm       |     |          |           |          |
|       |            |          |           |          |     |          |           |          |
| SG_25 | OBS        | 1.1433 N | 83.8680 W |          | 01  | 08.600 N | 083       | 52.081 W |
| T_1   |            | 0.9667 N | 83.9833 W | 14       | 00  | 58.000 N | 083       | 59.000 W |
| T_2   |            | 0.9667 N | 85.3333 W | 92       | 00  | 58.000 N | 085       | 20.000 W |
| T_9   |            | 1.1250 N | 85.3083 W | 10       | 01  | 07.500 N | 085       | 18.500 W |
| T_8   |            | 1.6917 N | 85.3083 W | 39       | 01  | 41.500 N | 085       | 18.500 W |
| T_7   |            | 1.6917 N | 85.5167 W | 13       | 01  | 41.500 N | 085       | 31.000 W |
| T_6   |            | 0.8250 N | 85.5167 W | 52       | 00  | 49.500 N | 085       | 31.000 W |
| T_5   |            | 0.7667 N | 85.4833 W | 4        | 00  | 46.000 N | 085       | 29.000 W |
| T_4   |            | 0.0167 S | 85.5500 W | 9        | 00  | 01.000 S | 085       | 33.000 W |
| T_3   |            | 0.0167 S | 85.4333 W | 67       | 00  | 01.000 S | 085       | 26.000 W |
| T_2   | REPEATED   | 0.9667 N | 85.3333 W | 92       | 00  | 58.000 N | 085       | 20.000 W |
| T_31  | ADDITIONAL | 1.1667 N | 85.2333 W | 17       | 01  | 10.000 N | 085       | 14.000 W |
| T_10  | UPDATED    | 1.3333 N | 84.7167 W | 33       | 01  | 20.000 N | 084       | 43.000 W |
| T_11  |            | 3.3000 N | 84.4000 W | 95       | 03  | 18.000 N | 084       | 24.000 W |
| T_12  |            | 3.3000 N | 84.2500 W | 9        | 03  | 18.000 N | 084       | 15.000 W |
| T_13  |            | 1.8833 N | 84.4667 W | 97       | 01  | 53.000 N | 084       | 28.000 W |
| T_14  |            | 1.8417 N | 84.3667 W | 7        | 01  | 50.500 N | 084       | 22.000 W |
| T_15  |            | 3.3917 N | 84.1333 W | 106      | 03  | 23.500 N | 084       | 08.000 W |
| T_16  |            | 4.1333 N | 82.7833 W | 104      | 04  | 08.000 N | 082       | 47.000 W |
| T_17  |            | 4.5500 N | 82.1167 W | 53       | 04  | 33.000 N | 082       | 07.000 W |
| SR_04 | OBS        | 4.4996 N | 82.0010 W | 8        | 04  | 29.975 N | 082       | 00.058 W |
| T_18  |            | 4.6333 N | 82.0000 W | 9        | 04  | 38.000 N | 082       | 00.000 W |
| T_19  |            | 4.8417 N | 81.5500 W | 34       | 04  | 50.500 N | 081       | 33.000 W |
| SR_03 | OBS        | 4.8298 N | 81.3404 W | 15       | 04  | 49.785 N | 081       | 20.424 W |
| T_20  |            | 4.8833 N | 81.4500 W | 8        | 04  | 53.000 N | 081       | 27.000 W |
| T_21  |            | 5.1917 N | 81.4750 W | 22       | 05  | 11.500 N | 081       | 28.500 W |
| SR_02 | OBS        | 5.2997 N | 81.3410 W | 11       | 05  | 17.980 N | 081       | 20.461 W |
| T_22  |            | 5.2167 N | 81.5500 W | 16       | 05  | 13.000 N | 081       | 33.000 W |
| T_23  |            | 5.2167 N | 81.9000 W | 24       | 05  | 13.000 N | 081       | 54.000 W |
| T_24  |            | 5.2417 N | 81.9500 W | 4        | 05  | 14.500 N | 081       | 57.000 W |
| SR_01 | OBS        | 5.3489 N | 81.9017 W | 8        | 05  | 20.933 N | 081       | 54.100 W |
| T_32  | UPDATED    | 5.0417 N | 81.9017 W | 18       | 05  | 02.500 N | 081       | 54.100 W |
| T_33  | UPDATED    | 5.1333 N | 81.4333 W | 28       | 05  | 08.000 N | 081       | 26.000 W |
| T_27  | SWATH OFF  | 6.9917 N | 79.7500 W | 175      | 06  | 59.500 N | 079       | 45.000 W |

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