Station locations and descriptions from R/V Tangaroa cruise VDT0410 in the South East of New Zealand, S.W. Bounty Trough from 2004 to 2004 (SAGE project)

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Project
» Surface-Ocean Lower-Atmosphere Studies Air-Sea Gas Exchange (Experiment) (SAGE)

Programs
» Iron Synthesis (FeSynth)
» United States Surface Ocean Lower Atmosphere Study (U.S. SOLAS)

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Dataset Description

Station id, date, time, lat, lon and description of all stations

A comment on the 'SAGEtime' field:
The 'SAGEtime' field is a custom time for this project.
'SAGEtime' is called 'ExpDay' in other SAGE datasets.
The 'SAGEtime' value permitted investigators to synchronize sampling time
with mesocosm experiments back at shoreside laboratories.

Note:
SAGEtime/ExperimentDay time zero (0.0000) is:
25 March 2004, 19:00 Local Time (NZST) from
SAGE Voyage Report, Voyage Timetable, Pages 5-6

Methods & Sampling

Prepared from original version of cruise station details
contributed by Mike Harvey (NIWA) on 07 April 2008

Data Processing Description

BCO-DMO Processing Notes
Generated from original spreadsheet SAGE_station_meta.xls, tab: Station details

Modifications to original version made by Doug Mackie(Univ of Otago, NZ):
StaNum: 501 changed from original StaNum of 3501 (confirmed with PI)

BCO-DMO Edits
- Station Number changed to station
- blank stations filled in using previous station id with an 'a' appended
- example: station U541 was originally followed by a blank station. Blank station became U541a.
- station_CTD added to set station as U3xxx to conform to station numbers used in CTD data
- lon/lat converted from degs min.decimal min to decimal degrees
- lat signed negative for South
- date reformatted to YYYYMMDD
- time reformatted to HHMM
- parameter names modified to conform to BCO-DMO convention
- lat/lon for station U740 from position for Northern Biophysical Mooring in voyage report and is approximate
- no date/time for station U740 located to date, date of 20040414 is estimated
- added station U741 (U3741) with no date, time or position. Was not in opriginal station list
- U741 (U23741) in SAGE_watercol_chlPOCPNPPDOC.xls and SAGE_BCODMO_ARCHER_DMS.xls
- U741 (U3741) not found in any other data

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Data Files

File
stations.csv (Comma Separated Values (.csv), 18.46 KB) MD5:c983eecd9d90375d9f27b96916013b79 Primary data file for dataset ID 2808

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Parameters

Parameter	Description	Units
station	SAGE unique station identifier	text
station_CTD	SAGE station identifier modified to agree with CDT station ids	text
date_local	Date (NZST)	YYYYMMDD
time_local	Time (NZST)	HHMM
SAGEtime	Custom project time pre/post 25March2004 19:00 Local Time (NZST)	dd.xx
lon	Station longitude (West is negative)	decimal degrees
lat	Station latitude (South is negative)	decimal degrees
activities_and_comments	Brief sampling method description	text

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Deployments

VDT0410

Website	https://www.bco-dmo.org/deployment/57828
Platform	R/V Tangaroa
Report	http://bcodata.whoi.edu/Fe_Synthesis/SAGE/SAGE_Voyage_Report.pdf
Start Date	2004-03-17
End Date	2004-04-15

Description	Surface-Ocean Lower-Atmosphere Studies Air-Sea Gas Experiment Phytoplankton blooms, either natural or stimulated, provide effective natural laboratories in which to study the pronounced biogeochemical fluxes and gradients associated with their evolution and decline. These phytoplankton-mediated signals are mainly expressed in the ocean, but also result in enhanced fluxes of carbon dioxide (CO2), dimethylsulfide (DMS) and other biogenic gases across the air-sea interface. The Southern Ocean is a net sink region for atmospheric CO2, yet uncertainties remain in the strength of this sink because few measurements of the efficiency of ocean-atmosphere gas exchange have been made under turbulent windy open-ocean conditions. During SAGE, in a similar fashion to SOIREE in 1999, we proposed to stimulate a phytoplankton bloom through addition of iron fertiliser to iron-limited Sub-Antarctic waters. The fertilisation was marked with the addition of two inert dissolved gas tracers, sulfur hexafluoride (SF6) and Helium-3 (3He), creating a lagrangian patch/dual-tracer study with the tracer SF6 providing a control volume, vertical and lateral diffusion rates and estimates of air-sea gas exchange in association with 3He. The enhanced gas fluxes associated with the bloom should provide optimal conditions for measuring the rate of gas exchange and the key physical processes governing the exchange. These processes include near-surface turbulence (typically generated by breaking waves), temperature microstructure, stratification, wave field, wave breaking and wind speed. In conjunction with these patch scale and surface physics measurements, the micrometeorologic al relaxed eddy accumulation technique (REA) was deployed to make direct atmospheric measurements of gas fluxes. A combination of gas concentration measurement and REA flux potentially allows the efficiency of gas exchange to be calculated at the local scale. These local scale measurements can be compared with exchange rates derived from the dual tracer technique for the larger labelled patch. Experimental goals Determine drivers and controls of ocean-atmosphere gas exchange quantifying: - biological production and utilisation of climatic relevant gases in particular CO2 and DMS) - in the surface ocean - physical control of exchange across the interfaces of the surface mixed layer - production of aerosols resulting from interaction of biological and physical processes Objectives: This experiment combined seven main research objectives considering: 1. quantification of gas transfer fluxes and velocities for a variety of gases 2. physical processes affecting gas transfer 3. ecosystem interactions controlling dissolved DMS concentration and CO2 removal 4. the impact of iron availability upon phytoplankton productivity and its influence upon dissolved - gas concentration 5. the impact of photochemistry in the surface ocean on dissolved gas concentration and air-sea exchange 6. the fate of DMS in the atmosphere and aerosol condensation nuclei production from chemical - transformation in the atmospheric boundary-layer. 7. Role of aggregation in the timing and magnitude of export processes Additional objectives were the: 1. servicing of NIWA biophysical moorings: 41°11.28'S 178°28.62'E Northern Biophysical Mooring - (NBM) and approximately 46°38.202'S 178°33.486'E Southern Biophysical Mooring (SBM) 2. final release of 2 Carioca Buoys at SBM SAGE Cruise Track from SST data **Processing Description** no cruise log contributed

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Project Information

Surface-Ocean Lower-Atmosphere Studies Air-Sea Gas Exchange (Experiment) (SAGE)

Website: http://www.niwascience.co.nz/rc/atmos/sage/

Coverage: South-East of New Zealand in the vicinity of the S.W. Bounty Trough; Sub-Antarctic waters near 46.5°S 172.5°E

While not officially funded as a U.S. SOLAS project, SAGE included significant U.S. participation and it's science themes were consistent with those of the International SOLAS program.

[from http://www.us-solas.org:8080/Plone/projects/the-us-solas-in-the-sage-study (26 may 2008)]
SAGE was a mesoscale Fe addition experiment run after the seasonal autumnal bloom of the sub-Antarctic showed a small biological response to Fe addition. The SF6/3He dual-tracer experiment extended the range of gas exchange measurement into stronger wind regimes typical of the Southern Ocean.

A goal of the SAGE project was to increase understanding of air-water Gas Exchange, Mixed Layer structure, skin/surface properties, biogenic gases and atmospheric fluxes. Core measurements included Carbon, N2/O2, noble gas, DMS(P), SO2, N2O, CO, CDOM CN and aerosol chemistry.

One cruise was conducted aboard the Research Vessel Tangaroa and instrumentation included CARIOCA pCO2 Buoys, Shipboard Gill R3A Anemometer mast, SAMI pCO2 sensors, SkinDeep vertical profiler, MAERI, SCAMP/TRAMP temperature microstructure profiler, sparbuoy, ADCP, S-band radar, FRRF, flow cytometer, primary production, nutrients, Fe, Meteorology and radiosondes.

from "DSR intro.doc"; by Mike Harvey described as in preparation for Deep Sea Research II
The SOLAS air-sea gas exchange experiment (SAGE) was a combined gas-transfer process study and iron fertilisation experiment conducted in sub-Antarctic waters of the south-west Bounty Trough (46.5°S 172.5°E) to the south-east of New Zealand between mid-March and mid-April 2004.

The experiment was designed as a lagrangian study of air-sea gas exchange processes of CO2, DMS and other biogenic gases associated with an iron-induced phytoplankton bloom. In conjunction with the iron fertilisation a dual tracer SF6/3He release served quantify both patch evolution and air-sea tracer exchange at the 10's of km's scale. Within this patch local/micrometeorological (100's m scale) gas exchange process studies quantified physical variables such as near-surface turbulence, temperature microstructure at the interface, wave properties and wind speed to enable development of improved gas exchange models for the frequently windy Southern Ocean.

After 15 days and four iron additions totalling 1.1 tonne Fe2+ there was a doubling in both column chlorophyll-a and primary productivity; a very modest response compared with other mesoscale iron enrichment. An investigation of factors limiting bloom development considered co-limitation by light, other nutrients, phyto-plankton seed-stocks and grazing regulation.

Related files

SAGE precruise Science Plan
SAGE precruise Voyage Plan
SAGE Voyage Report
SAGE Release Times
SAGE Surface Physics Metadata Report

SAGE Cruise Track from SST data (.jpg image)
Note:
SAGEtime/Experiment time zero (0.0000) is: 25 March 2004, 19:00 Local Time (NZST) *(from SAGE Voyage Report, Voyage Timetable, Pages 5-6)*

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Program Information

Iron Synthesis (FeSynth)

Coverage: Global

The two main objectives of the Iron Synthesis program (SCOR Working Group proposal, 2005), are:
1. Data compilation: assembling a common open-access database of the *in situ* iron experiments, beginning with the first period (1993-2002; Ironex-1, Ironex-2, SOIREE, EisenEx, SEEDS-1; SOFeX, SERIES) where primary articles have already been published, to be followed by the 2004 experiments where primary articles are now in progress (EIFEX, SEEDS-2; SAGE, FeeP); similarly for the natural fertilizations S.O.JGOFS (1992), CROZEX (2004/2005) and KEOPS (2005).

2. Modeling and data synthesis of specific aspects of two or more such experiments for various topics such as physical mixing, phytoplankton productivity, overall ecosystem functioning, iron chemistry, CO2 budgeting, nutrient uptake ratios, DMS(P) processes, and combinations of these variables and processes.

SCOR Working Group proposal, 2005. "The Legacy of *in situ* Iron Enrichments: Data Compilation and Modeling".
http://www.scor-int.org/Working_Groups/wg131.htm

See also: SCOR Proceedings Vol. 42 Concepcion, Chile October 2006, pgs: 13-16 2.3.3 Working Group on The Legacy of *in situ* Iron Enrichments: Data Compilation and Modeling.

The first objective of the Iron Synthesis program involves a data recovery effort aimed at assembling a common, open-access database of data and metadata from a series of *in-situ* ocean iron fertilization experiments conducted between 1993 and 2005. Initially, funding for this effort is being provided by the Scientific Committee on Oceanic Research (SCOR) and the U.S. National Science Foundation (NSF).

Through the combined efforts of the principal investigators of the individual projects and the staff of Biological and Chemical Oceanography Data Management Office (BCO-DMO), data currently available primarily through individuals, disparate reports and data agencies, and in multiple formats, are being collected and prepared for addition to the BCO-DMO database from which they will be freely available to the community.

As data are contributed to the BCO-DMO office, they are organized into four overlapping categories:
1. Level 1, basic metadata
(e.g., description of project/study, general location, PI(s), participants);
2. Level 2, detailed metadata and basic shipboard data and routine ship's operations
(e.g., CTDs, underway measurements, sampling event logs);
3. Level 3, detailed metadata and data from specialized observations
(e.g., discrete observations, experimental results, rate measurements) and
4. Level 4, remaining datasets
(e.g., highest level of detailed data available from each study).

Collaboration with BCO-DMO staff began in March of 2008 and initial efforts have been directed toward basic project descriptions, levels 1 and 2 metadata and basic data, with detailed and more detailed data files being incorporated as they become available and are processed.

Related file

Program Documentation

The Iron Synthesis Program is funded jointly by the Scientific Committee on Oceanic Research (SCOR) and the U.S. National Science Foundation (NSF).

United States Surface Ocean Lower Atmosphere Study (U.S. SOLAS)

Website: http://www.us-solas.org/

Coverage: Global

The Surface Ocean Lower Atmosphere Study (SOLAS) program is designed to enable researchers from different disciplines to interact and investigate the multitude of processes and interactions between the coupled ocean and atmosphere.

Oceanographers and atmospheric scientists are working together to improve understanding of the fate, transport, and feedbacks of climate relevant compounds, and also weather and hazards that are affected by processes at the surface ocean.

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Physical, chemical, and biological research near the ocean-atmosphere interface must be performed in synergy to extend our current knowledge to adequately understand and forecast changes on short and long time frames and over local and global spatial scales.

The findings obtained from SOLAS are used to improve knowledge at process scale that will lead to better quantification of fluxes of climate relevant compounds such as CO2, sulfur and nitrogen compounds, hydrocarbons and halocarbons, as well as dust, energy and momentum. This activity facilitates a fundamental understanding to assist the societal needs for climate change, environmental health, weather prediction, and national security.

The US SOLAS program is a component of the International SOLAS program where collaborations are forged with investigators around the world to examine SOLAS issues ubiquitous to the world's oceans and atmosphere.

Â» International SOLAS Web site

Science Implementation Strategy Reports

US-SOLAS (4 MB PDF file)
Other SOLAS reports are available for download from the US SOLAS Web site

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National Science Foundation (NSF)	unknown SAGE NSF

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