

# CTD profiles for OC449-03 from R/V Oceanus cruise OC449-03 in the Coastal transect between Cape Verde and Mauritanian coast from 2008 to 2008 (SIRENA project)

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## Project

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## Dataset Description

CTD profile data for OC449-03 Up/Down Casts

### PI's Note/09May2011:

In comparing my pump seacat CTD to the ship's CTD, I've discovered that the ship's CTD's fluorescence and beam attenuation are no good, at least for OC449-3. The ship's fluorometer was clearly just not working. The ship's transmissometer misbehaved in a more subtle manner--oceanographically consistent, but of a different pattern than my pump seacat data. I concluded that my pump seacat CTD's transmissometer is the "correct" one by comparing to discrete particulate carbon measurements on particles collected on my pumps. Both particulate carbon concentrations and beam attenuation from my pump seacat CTD show a minimum at 500m at OC449-3 station 3, whereas the ship's CTD shows an anomalous minimum in subsurface beam attenuation at station 2, which is not seen in the particulate carbon concentrations.

## Methods & Sampling

- \* Sea-Bird SBE 9 Data File:
- \* FileName = C:dataoc449-03\_001.hdr
- \* Software Version Seasave V 7.14c
- \* Temperature SN = 2265
- \* Conductivity SN = 2304
- \* Number of Bytes Per Scan = 40
- \* Number of Voltage Words = 5
- \* Number of Scans Averaged by the Deck Unit = 1
- \* System Upload Time = Sep 08 2008 20:13:41
- \* NMEA Latitude = 17 23.63 N
- \* NMEA Longitude = 024 30.16 W
- \* NMEA UTC (Time) = Sep 08 2008 20:13:39

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# name 3 = t090C: Temperature [ITS-90, deg C]
# name 4 = t190C: Temperature, 2 [ITS-90, deg C]
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# name 6 = sal11: Salinity, 2 [PSU]
# name 7 = c0S/m: Conductivity [S/m]
# name 8 = c1S/m: Conductivity, 2 [S/m]
# name 9 = sbeox0V: Oxygen Voltage, SBE 43
# name 10 = sbeox0ML/L: Oxygen, SBE 43 [ml/l]
# name 11 = xmiss: Beam Transmission, Chelsea/Seatech/Wetlab CStar [%]
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# name 13 = potemp090C: Potential Temperature [ITS-90, deg C]
# name 14 = flECO-AFL: Fluorescence, Wetlab ECO-AFL/FL [mg/m^3]
# name 15 = upoly0: Upoly 0, WetLabs Turbidity
# name 16 = altM: Altimeter [m]
# name 17 = density00: Density [density, Kg/m^3]
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# sensor 3 = Frequency 3 temperature, secondary, 2271, 2007-10-24

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fIECO-AFL upoly0
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4.000
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# celltm_tau = 7.0000, 7.0000
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*END*

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## Data Processing Description

### BCO-DMO Processing Notes

- Awk written to reformat original .cnv files contributed by Phoebe Lam
- AWK: OC449-03\_CTDcnv\_2\_BCODMO.awk

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## Data Files

<b>File</b>
<b>CTDprf_OC449_03.csv</b> (Comma Separated Values (.csv), 7.94 MB) MD5:9e010a0fe5eb69d389e96e9663c65357
Primary data file for dataset ID 3469

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## Parameters

Parameter	Description	Units
CTD_DataSet_Id	CTD Dataset Id	text
date	Station date	YYYYMMDD
time	Station time	HHMMSS
lat	Station latitude (South is negative)	decimal degrees
lon	Station longitude (West is negative)	decimal degrees
timeS	Time Elapsed	seconds
prDM	Pressure Digiquartz	decibars
depSM	Depth salt water	meters
t090C	Temperature ITS-90	deg C
t190C	Temperature 2 ITS-90	deg C
sal00	Salinity	PSU
sal11	Salinity 2	PSU
c0S_m	Conductivity	S/m
c1S_m	Conductivity 2	S/m
sbeox0V	Oxygen Voltage SBE 43	volts
sbeox0ML_L	Oxygen SBE 43	ml/l
xmiss	Beam Transmission Chelsea/Seatech/Wetlab CStar	percentage
density00	Density	Kg/m <sup>3</sup>
potemp090C	Potential Temperature ITS-90	deg C
fIECO_AFL	Fluorescence Wetlab ECO-AFL/FL	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
upoly0	Upoly 0 WetLabs Turbidity	tbd
altM	Altimeter	meters
density01	Density	Kg/m <sup>3</sup>
n2satML_L	Nitrogen Saturation	ml/l
oxsatML_L	Oxygen Saturation	ml/l
sbeox1ML_L	Oxygen SBE 43 WS 2	ml/l
potemp190C	Potential Temperature ITS-90	deg C
pta090C	Potential Temperature Anomaly ITS-90; a0_0; a1_0; salinity	deg C
sal00_0	Salinity	PSU
specc	Specific Conductance	uS/cm
sva	Specific Volume Anomaly	10 <sup>-8</sup> * m <sup>3</sup> /Kg
tsa	Thermosteric Anomaly	10 <sup>-8</sup> * m <sup>3</sup> /Kg
flag	flag	nd
cast	cast id/number	integer
station	station id/number	integer

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## Instruments

<b>Dataset-specific Instrument Name</b>	CTD Sea-Bird SBE 911plus
<b>Generic Instrument Name</b>	CTD Sea-Bird SBE 911plus
<b>Generic Instrument Description</b>	The Sea-Bird SBE 911 plus is a type of CTD instrument package for continuous measurement of conductivity, temperature and pressure. The SBE 911 plus includes the SBE 9plus Underwater Unit and the SBE 11plus Deck Unit (for real-time readout using conductive wire) for deployment from a vessel. The combination of the SBE 9 plus and SBE 11 plus is called a SBE 911 plus. The SBE 9 plus uses Sea-Bird's standard modular temperature and conductivity sensors (SBE 3 plus and SBE 4). The SBE 9 plus CTD can be configured with up to eight auxiliary sensors to measure other parameters including dissolved oxygen, pH, turbidity, fluorescence, light (PAR), light transmission, etc.). more information from Sea-Bird Electronics

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## Deployments

### OC449-03

<b>Website</b>	<a href="https://www.bco-dmo.org/deployment/58663">https://www.bco-dmo.org/deployment/58663</a>
<b>Platform</b>	R/V Oceanus
<b>Start Date</b>	2008-09-08
<b>End Date</b>	2008-09-18
<b>Description</b>	R/V Oceanus Voyage #449, Leg III was a Coastal transect between Cape Verde and the Mauritanian coast (17N/24.5W to 20N/17.3W). The main scientific objective was to test the hypothesis that the continental margin of northwest Africa provides a significant subsurface supply of iron to the open eastern tropical Atlantic. The planned scientific activities include CTD casts, In Situ Water Pump casts for large volume water collection, Gravity Coring, and Aerosol sampling. Scientific personnel: Dr. Phoebe Lam, Chief Scientist, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution Dr. Henrieta Dulaiova, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution Mr. Steven Pike, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution Mr. James Saenz, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution Dr. Aron Stubbins, Old Dominion University Ms. Hongmei Chen, Old Dominion University Dr. Edward Michael Perdue, Georgia Institute of Technology Mr. Nelson Green, Georgia Institute of Technology Mr. Péricles Silva, Instituto Nacional de Desenvolvimento das Pescas (INDP) Dr. Anibal Medina, Instituto Nacional de Desenvolvimento das Pescas (INDP) Mr. Alexander Dorsk, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution WHOI cruise planning synopsis> Cruise information and original data are available from the NSF R2R data catalog.

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## Project Information

### Sources of Iron to the EasterN tropical Atlantic (SIRENA)

**Website:** <http://www.whoi.edu/sbl/liteSite.do?litesiteid=24492>

**Coverage:** Tropical North Atlantic, focusing on a Cape Verde to Mauritanian Coast transect

We will test the hypothesis that the continental margin of northwest Africa provides a significant subsurface supply of

iron to the open eastern tropical Atlantic that supplements dust.

We will test our continental margin hypothesis with a wintertime visit to the new Tropical Eastern North Atlantic Time-Series Observatory (TENATSO) near Cape Verde, located in the eastern tropical Atlantic about 850 km downstream of Mauritanian coastal upwelling, and a summertime cross-shelf transect from the Mauritanian coast to TENATSO with Ed Boyle, who is already funded to study iron in the tropical Atlantic. Our cross-shelf transect will closely examine the potential lateral source of Fe, and evaluate it against an atmospheric source of Fe. Our proposal takes advantage of a novel combination of measurements to uniquely determine the importance of lateral transport vs. dust inputs and subsurface remineralization as Fe sources to the surface ocean. These measurements include:

1) synchrotron x-ray analysis of particulate iron "hotspots": micron-size particles of iron detected with a synchrotron x-ray fluorescence microprobe have been previously shown to exhibit maxima at depths of continental margin input in two ocean basins. Further, the Ti:Fe ratios and the mineralogy of these particles of iron can distinguish dust-derived vs. continental margin iron. This is a qualitative tracer for a dust vs continental margin source of Fe.

2) radium isotopes: the major source of  $^{228}\text{Ra}$  into the study area is by diffusion from  $^{232}\text{Th}$ -bearing near shore and continental shelf sediments. An open-ocean to coastal transect of  $^{228}\text{Ra}$  activities will allow us to determine horizontal mass transfer.  $^{228}\text{Ra}$  will be used to quantify the lateral flux of iron from the shelf.

3)  $^{234}\text{Th}$  profiles: high vertical resolution  $^{234}\text{Th}$  profiles can be used to determine the depth of particle remineralization. This will be used to determine whether or not putative subsurface Fe maxima are from remineralization of Fe-bearing particles.

TENATSO (Tropical Eastern North Atlantic Time-Series Observatory) time series station  
16°N, 24°W, North-east of Mindelo, Sao Vicente, Cape Verde

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## Program Information

### Ocean Carbon and Biogeochemistry (OCB)

**Website:** <http://us-ocb.org/>

**Coverage:** Global

The Ocean Carbon and Biogeochemistry (OCB) program focuses on the ocean's role as a component of the global Earth system, bringing together research in geochemistry, ocean physics, and ecology that inform on and advance our understanding of ocean biogeochemistry. The overall program goals are to promote, plan, and coordinate collaborative, multidisciplinary research opportunities within the U.S. research community and with international partners. Important OCB-related activities currently include: the Ocean Carbon and Climate Change (OCCC) and the North American Carbon Program (NACP); U.S. contributions to IMBER, SOLAS, CARBOOCEAN; and numerous U.S. single-investigator and medium-size research projects funded by U.S. federal agencies including NASA, NOAA, and NSF.

The scientific mission of OCB is to study the evolving role of the ocean in the global carbon cycle, in the face of environmental variability and change through studies of marine biogeochemical cycles and associated ecosystems.

The overarching OCB science themes include improved understanding and prediction of: 1) oceanic uptake and release of atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> and other greenhouse gases and 2) environmental sensitivities of biogeochemical cycles, marine ecosystems, and interactions between the two.

The OCB Research Priorities (updated January 2012) include: ocean acidification; terrestrial/coastal carbon fluxes and exchanges; climate sensitivities of and change in ecosystem structure and associated impacts on biogeochemical cycles; mesopelagic ecological and biogeochemical interactions; benthic-pelagic feedbacks on biogeochemical cycles; ocean carbon uptake and storage; and expanding low-oxygen conditions in the coastal and open oceans.

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## Funding

Funding Source	Award
<a href="#">NSF Division of Ocean Sciences (NSF OCE)</a>	<a href="#">OCE-0726367</a>

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