Coast - open ocean continuum

Labrador Sea (Newfoundland Shelf)

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SWOT AdAC campaign Scientific objects

No direct funding was dedicated to this project. The data collection occurred as part of Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) Atlantic Zone Monitoring Program (AZMP). In addition to regional SWOT validation, data will be used to better understand the dynamic of the Labrador Coastal Current (inshore branch of the Labrador Current).



56°W

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SWOT AdAC campaign

SWOT CalVal plan **Moorings** 52°N 50°N 3 Moorings were deployed in a channel under the swath (purple stars). They include CTDs, ADCPs and sediment traps. LX ° 2 glider missions occurred during the CalVal phase along a transect south of the moorings (yellow line) 46°N 44°N SWOT AdAC campaign - 2

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A regular AZMP mission occurred on the Grand Banks of Newfoundland during the CalVal phase (physical-biogeochemical sampling), but the portion of the mission dedicated to SWOT was cancelled due to a strike involving seagoing staff



Future perspectives

The moorings are still in the water and are planned to be retrieved this fall. The glider mission data are being analyzed at the moment.

There is currently no dedicated funding for the analysis of the data (e.g. graduate student or postdoc), but we are exploring options to perform the analysis once all data will be retrieved. Ideas for collaboration are welcomed.

Marmara and Black Seas

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R/V Bilim-2



R/V Bilim-2 at Bosphorus Strait, İstanbul



SWOT data on 2023-06-02 for track 1 & cycle 540 and track 14 & cycle 540

First SWOT images for the region, courtesy of Dr.Pujol, CLS

Marmara and Black Seas SWOT AdAC campaign Scientific objects

<u>The Marmara Sea campaign</u> focuses on understanding mesoscale processes and their influence on bloom dynamics and consequent anoxic events.

<u>The Black Sea campaign</u> focuses on the western Black Sea, where the boundary current meets complex topography and Mediterranean Sea waters injected through the Bosphorus Strait. Eddies, filaments and meanders of the boundary current are often observed, which contribute to cross-shelf transport as well as increased productivity. The Black Sea campaign aims to unravel the contribution of these fine scale processes.

Marmara and Black Seas SWOT AdAC campaign

Measurements done

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41°N

40.5°

- -CTD and vessel mounted ADCP measurements
- -Oxygen, turbidity, pH measurements
- -Thermosalinograph and fluorometer measurements



Physics lab inside R/V Bilim-2 Temperature, ITS-90 [degrees C] @ Pressure [dBar]=fin Salinity [per mille] @ Pressure [dBar]=firs 17.75 24.8 17.5 40.8°N 40.8°N 24.6 17.25 40.7°N 40.7°N 24.4 16.75 24.2 40.6°N 40.6°N 16.5 40.5°N 40.5°N 16.25 27.2°E 27.3°E 27.4°E 27.5°E 27.6°E 27.2°E 27.3°E 27.4°E 27.5°E 27.7°E 27.6°E 27.7°E 26°F 27°F 29°E 30°E 28°E SWOT AdAC campaign - 2 CTD stations in the Marmara Sea SWOT-CTD grid in the Marmara Sea

Marmara and Black Seas SWOT AdAC campaign <u>Preliminary results</u>

- CTD grid (~5km spacing) on an anticyclonic eddy (a.k.a: "Sakarya eddy") on both 1st and 2nd leg.
- We observed the propagation and dissipation of the anticyclone over the month.
- Interesting high-salinity on the eddy periphery. Data are still under investigation.



Marmara and Black Seas SWOT AdAC campaign

Future perspectives

- Further data analysis (ADCP) and quality controls
- Investigation of the observed fine-scale structures in detail
- Validated SWOT data and comparisons with *in-situ* data, and old altimetry products
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PATASWOT – Patagonian SWOT cal/Val Experiment

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PATASWOT AdAC campaign

Scientific objectives

- Understand the signal obtained by SWOT in the ACS
- Obtain in-situ measurements of currents, T, C and P in two distant points along the path of SWOT over the Argentine Continental Shelf (ACS)
- Can we see rapid continental shelf wave propagation in the ACS with SWOT during the 1-day repeat orbit?
- How biased will SWOT data be during the science mission due to this continental shelf wave propagation?



SWOT <u>AdAC</u> campaign

Measurements done

Horizontal currents in the water column; T, C and P at the bottom

Instruments deployed between 12 and 15 of April 2023

Recovery: TBC (expected: October 2023)



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Open ocean circulation and energy cascade

The North West Pacific SWOT Cal/Val campaign

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The central mooring (purple dot, MC) is equipped with a upward-looking ADCP. Another three moorings (pink dots) are equipped with a upward-looking ADCP and the T/S chain.

SWOT AdAC campaign Scientific objects

1. A better understanding of submesoscale processes in a highly stratified current system, including

their induced energy cascade and vertical transport.

2. A benchmark for validating sea level anomaly (SLA) observations by SWOT.

3. An assessment of accuracy of surface currents reconstructed from SLA based on the geostrophic balance.

Measurements done

Observation between July 27, 2022 and June 26, 2023

Sites	Current profiles	T/S profiles
MN	Hourly 60-500 m	Hourly 200-1200 m
MS	Hourly 60-400 m	Hourly 40-1040 m
MW	Hourly 60-450 m	Hourly 90-1090 m
MC	Hourly 60-550 m	/



SWOT AdAC campaign - 2

Preliminary results

- Steric height (SH) is computed based on the T/S profiles at the mooring MS.
- 2. SH is mainly resulted from eddies and internal gravity waves.
- The gridded (0.25°) and along-track altimetric SLA are broadly consistent with the observed SH at the mooring MS.



Comparison between observed SH and altimetric SLA.

SWOT AdAC campaign - 3

Future perspectives

1. Analyze the dynamics of submesoscale processes, including their induced energy cascade and vertical transport.

- 3. Compare steric height (SH) observed by moorings with SLA measured by SWOT.
- 4. Quantify the accuracy of surface currents reconstructed from SLA based on the geostrophic balance.

Quantifying Interocean fluxes in the Cape Cauldron Hotspot of Eddy kinetic energy

Rapid warming, strengthening winds, and increasing eddy kinetic energy within the Cape Basin point to more Agulhas waters leaking into the Atlantic, but hindcasts are inconclusive. More leakage could stabilize the AMOC, depending on how these waters. their heat, salt, content, are transformed as they pass through the basin. During our 26-day cruise to the Cape Basin in March 2023 we used a variety of instrumentation-including moorings. CPIES, CTDs, gliders, WireFlyer, microstructure profiler, drifters, profiling floats, and uncrewed surface vessels-to capture mesoscale stirring, submesoscale features, vertical mixing, and air-sea fluxes. From these new observations we can quantify Agulhas leakage using theoretical eddy diffusivity and eddy flux frameworks. We can also account for surface heat loss and turbulent mixing on the transformation of Agulhas waters. And, we can relate the diffusivity and fluxes we observe to daily SWOT crossover measurements and to decades of existing satellite data, looking for relationships that may infer change in Agulhas leakage.



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ADAC western Pacific: Cruise name LGD2308 from Taiwan to Palau Cheinway Hwang, National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University, Taiwan Emmy TY Chang, National Taiwan University, Taiwan Daocheng Yu, Liaoning Technical University, China





SWOT AdAC western Pacific

Scientific objects

- Use GNSS to collect sea surface heights across a SWOT swath (pass 21) to validate SWOT Karin observations
- Collecting data along 41 turbulence profiles. This is the first time that the Taiwanese team conducted intensive turbulence observations inside large-scale ocean eddies, setting the record for the easternmost and southernmost direct measurements of turbulence
- Exploring the energy exchange and transfer caused by the interactions between mesoscale oceanic eddies and inertial internal waves

Geodesy

SWOT AdAC western Pacific GNSS measurements

The GNSS receiver and level gauge employed for precise measurements of sea surface heights with an accuracy reaching the centimeter level. The image was taken on June 27, 2023.



SWOT AdAC western Pacific

Preliminary results

- Sea surface heights from SWOT Karin in western Pacific
- PPP results from
 GNSS measurements
- Ocean tide and solid earth tide corrections

Sea surface heights from Karin observations along pass 21 in the ADAC western validation area



AdAC western Pacific

Future perspectives

- Enhance the GNSS sea surface heights
- Analyzing eddy geometry and dynamics using SWOT Karin observation
- A new cruise to collect GNSS sea surface heights

Opportunistic campaigns





SWOT AdAC North Atlantic cross-overs opportunity

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- 2 cross-overs considered
- 5 WAVY buoys for MELOA project (<u>https://www.ec-meloa.eu/</u>) : direct measure of waves height and indirect measure of the surface current





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Trajectory of 3 WAVY launched under the SWOT 1-day swath over the [2023/06/18, 2023/07/11] period



Trajectory of 2 WAVY launched under the SWOT 1-day swath over the [2023/06/05, 2023/07/11] period





🛧 Starting point

- Comparison of SWH measurements with SWOT
- Comparison of surface current and mesoscale with SWOT







