



Balearic Islands Coastal Observing and Forecasting System







Mission Name		SOCIB_CANALES_NOV2016 (GF-MR-0051)	
Platform Model		Slocum 1000 G1	
Platform ID / Name / WMO Code		U132 / IDEEP02 / 68966	
Related Platfo	orms / Missions	None	
Start Date		2016-10-28	
End Date		2016-12-15	
Total Days	48.2	Total distance (Km / Nm)	918 / 495
	Survey Area (NODC or SDN region)	Mallorca and Eïvissa Channels (Western Medit	terranean Sea)

Objective(s) • Establishing the variability of the N/S exchange of water masses that occur through the Ibiza Channel(IC). Sampling standard transects across the Ibiza Channel several times using physical and biogeochemical sensors. No greater than 1 month gap in between consecutive iterations. The Mallorca Channel is also sampled when operationally practical.

Scientific Sensors

(name & model / serial_number / calibration date)

- CTD -SBE- / sn 0129 / 25/07/2014
- FLNTU -WetLabs- / sn 3710 / 09/01/2014
- OPTODE -Aandera- / sn 993 / 23/10/2009

(calibration sheets available upon request to glidertech@socib.es)

Number of Profiles

2276 (CTD), 440 (FLNTU), 440 (OXY)

Significant Events

- Dual operation
 - recovery (GFMR0050 sdeep04)
 - deployment(GFMR0051 ideep02)
- Fail on deployment due to bad ballasting
 - 1st try 26/10/2016 2nd try 28/10/2016 0
- Hard currents during Eivissa channel
- Significant number of incomplete RT files
- Malfunction on SCI-bay on 15-Dec-2016, 191 oddities raised, no data lost
- Premature recovery due to thermal-valve leak

Mission Summary

Preparation phases were executed between 10/10/2016 to 26/10/2016

All the checks and configurations were undertaken according to the pre-mission-report and applicable protocols. There were neither relevant issues nor problems worth to be mentioned here. Compass error was measured in a EMI-free forest location (max. error = 2,70 deg), loaded with Saft lithium batteries (310Ah).

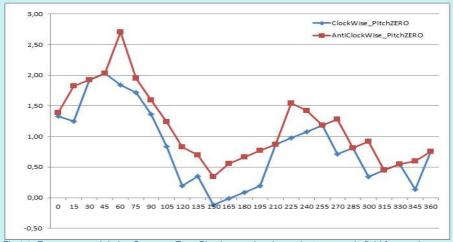


Fig 1.1- Error measured during Compass Error Check procedure in an electromagnetic-field-free environment located in a forest close to IMEDEA (in Esporles)



Fig 1.2- Dual field operation

Launching operation

First try on 26/10/2016 unsuccessful due to bad ballasting.

Second try (28/10/2016) was executed by 1 ETD and 1 GF facility members on board SOCIB I. Glider was released in N 39°29.9290' E 02°10.0004' at 09:03:09-utc. The deployment was an operative and tactical success (environmental conditions were very good). Pilot was onshore. Glider executed successful test dives prior to the first survey dive.

Altimeter test was executed on Sdeep04 (Unit 567) during second deployment day.

During Mission

Strong currents during all mission, specially located in Eivissa Channel

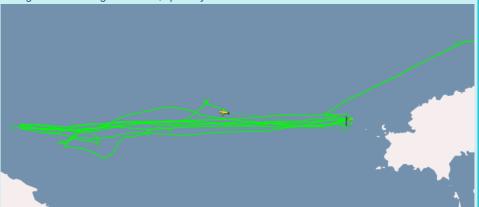


Fig 1.3. Strong currents

27/11/2016 Thermal-valve leak. This behavior started on 27/11/2016, and stayed until recovery day. At the beginning, glider didn't raise oddities. From that day forward and deep waters, increases oddities per time.

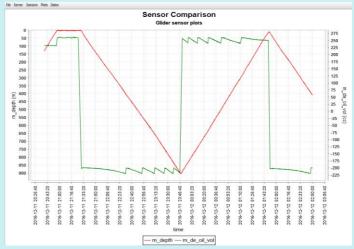


Fig 1.4. Thermal valve leak

<u>Sampling</u>: Science-payload was correctly turned-on and off accordingly to the behavior of the glider executed at all moments during the mission.

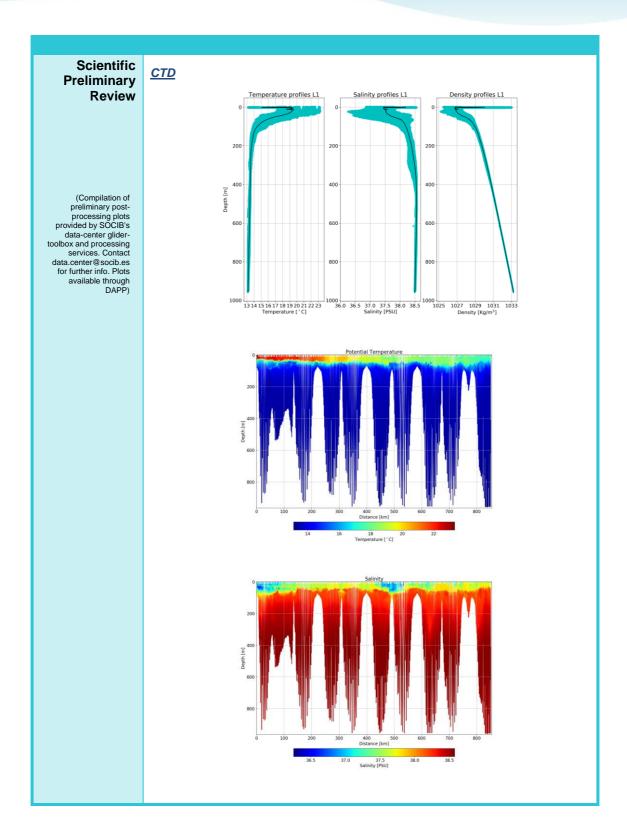
Recovery operation

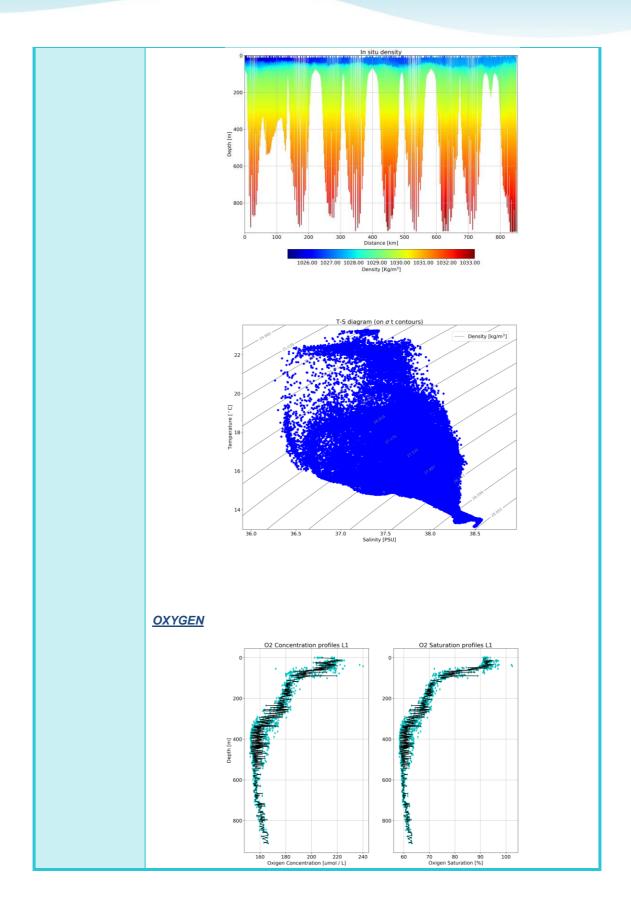
(15/12/2016) was executed by 1 ETD and 1 GF facility members on board SOCIB I. Before operation starts, glider surfaced at 9.00am UTC. Glider was recovered in N 39°02.2177' E 00°44.7490' at 14:59:55-utc.

After recovery operation, field team decided not return to Calanova due to sea conditions and sunrise proximity. They decided stay in Sant Antoni.

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