

Glider Mission Summary Report

2012 - 2015 SOCIB (CSIC)

SOCIB_CANALES_MAR2012 (GR-MR-0006)



Balearic Islands Coastal Observing and Forecasting System







Mission Name		SOCIB_CANALES_MAR2012 (GR-MR-0006)	
Platform Model		Sea-Glider 1000m (iRobot version)	
Platform ID / Name / WMO Code		U538 / SDEEP02 / 68965	
Related Platforms / Missions			
Start Date		2015-03-12	
	End Date	2014-04-27	
Total Days 46	3	Total distance (Km / Nm) 567/307	
Survey Area (NODC or SDN region)		Mallorca and Eïvissa Channels (Western Mediterranean sea)	
Objective(s)		Establishing the variability of the N/S exchange of water masses that occur through the Ibiza Channel. Sampling a standard transect 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. Gaining experience and know-how on Sea-Glider operations & piloting. Testing new capabilities and tools for tracking & processing at D.C.	
Scientific Sensors (name & model / serial_number / calibration date)		CT-Sail -SBE- / sn 0168 / 20-Feb-2011 (*) BBFL2VMT -WetLabs- / sn0778 / 13-Oct-2013 OPTODE -Aandera- / sn 0464 / 14-Dec-2010 (*) with Paine's pressure sensor sn264060 calibrated 09-Feb-2011	
Numb	er of Profiles	854 (CTD), 854 (FLNTU), 854 (OXY)	
Significant Events		First scientific mission using SOCIB's Sea-Glider U538 and first one also using a Sea-Glider. Engineering trial prior to scientific mission from Port Sòller heading West towards initial waypoint of the Canales 2012 standard mission route. Deployment using 7-m RIB launched from Port de Sòller.	
Mission Sumn	carried of Launching member Soller. During the Mallorca-Overall posatisfactor Additional near-real and messover the currents (due to in night of ARCOVER) board SOU Upon conthe bence backed-u	This mission stands for the 1st iteration of the Canales Campaign 2012, carried out by SOCIB's glider SDEEP02 (Unit 538). Launching operation (in N39.9061° E2.5346°) was executed by a 3-member field-team on board IMEDEA's 7m RIB launched from Port de Sòller. During the execution of this mission 1 Trial, 2 Eivissa-Valencia and 1 Mallorca-Eivissa transects were completed successfully. Overall performance of mechanical and sampling devices was satisfactory. There were not relevant issues with any particular devices. Additionally, Communications were stable and fluent allowing proper near-real-time data sending. External ARGOS tag behaved as expected and messages were received by the CLS servers. Navigation was correct over the Canales track although SDEEP02 suffered the influence of light currents in the Eivissa-Valencia channel. Finally, due to a piloting mistake (due to inexperience mostly), SDEEP02 drifted at the surface during the night of April-7th without negative consequences. Recovery took place in N39.4315° E2.0925° by a 2-member field-team on board SOCIB-I 9m Professional RIB. Upon completion, SDEEP02 was received at IMEDEA's glider-lab, put on the bench, revised and properly stored. Gathered dataset was fully backed-up and uploaded to SOCIB's FTP for subsequent processing and diffusion via SOCIB's public repository.	

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Institute		SOCIB in collaboration with IMEDEA
Project Affiliation (web-site)		http://www.socib.eu
Partnership / Participation		SOCIB (internal long-term project of sustained monitoring line IMEDEA (in-kind contribution of material and infrastructures)
Glider Software Version		V66.06
Data Retrieval (real-time [RT] / delayed-mode [DM])		Real-time sub-set via satellite link every 6 hours every day Delayed-mode direct download of full gathered data sets
Compass Calibration (specify procedure)		Error measurement revealed no necessity to perform a compass calibration
Battery Type		Electrochem's Lithium Prim. 24V (mechanics) & 10V (electronics)
Battery Consumption (Ah)		54.716Ahr (24V pack) & 33.541Ahr (12V pack)
Data Available From		http://thredds.socib.es/thredds/dodsC/auv/glider/sdeep02- scb_sgdeep002/L1/2012/dep0001_sdeep02_scb- sgdeep002_L1_2012-03-12_data_dt.nc
Full Mission Report From		glidertech@socib.es
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Survey Area)		
Mission Summary (Map providing detailed overview of Survey Area and traced Flight Path with surface points		