



# Glider observations across the scales of the ocean dynamics during BioSWOT- Med

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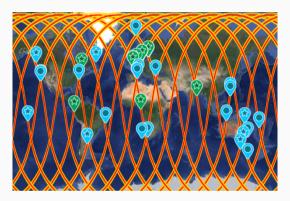






#### General Context: SWOT AdAC Consortium

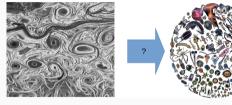




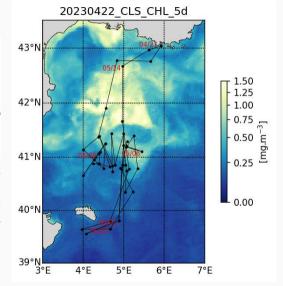
- → SWOT satellite launched in December 2022
- → "Adopt A Crossover": a CLIVAR-endorsed action to support CalVal ocean experiments (+30 worldwide, incl. BioSWOT-Med)
  - $\hookrightarrow$  Satellite data, NRT KaRIn images, Lagrangian analysis, communication

#### BioSWOT-Med cruise (21 April – 15 May 2023, PI: A. Doglioli, G. Gregori, F. D'Ovidio)

### Med From physical complexity to life diversity



... and gliders



#### BioSWOT-Med: synergy with MOOSE glider observatory

1 Seaglider : MOOSE T02 line



- + 4 Gliders deployed/recovered
- → 2 Seaexplorer (CTD, O2, FLBBCD) MIO-Marseille (JL Fuda, N. Bhairy, C. Luneau)
- → 1 Slocum with microstructure
  University of Bergen (I. Fer, F. Elliott, A. Brakstad)
- → 1 Zooglider with echosounder + zoocam SCRIPPS (M. Ohman, S. Gastauer)



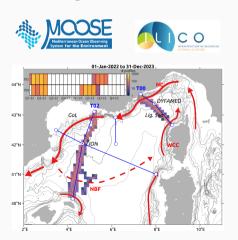


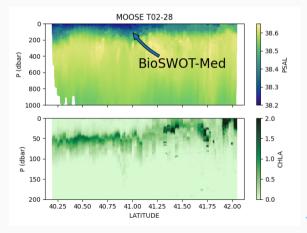


#### MOOSE T02 endurance line: Marseille/Minorque

### **MOOSE**: "Mediterranean Ocean Observing System for the Environment"

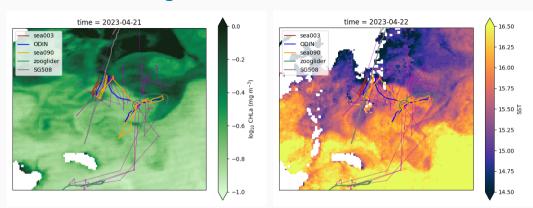
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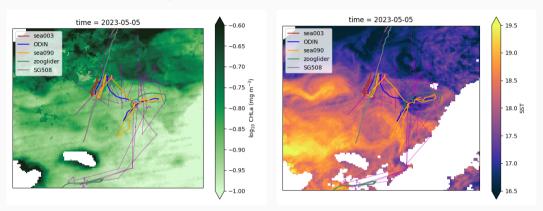
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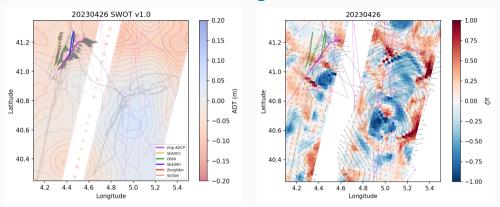


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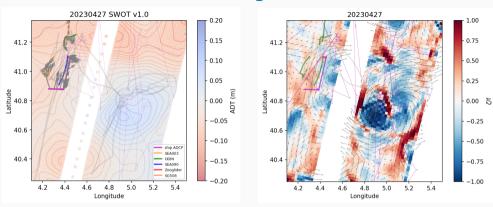
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- → **Coherent eddy structure** during the whole cruise!





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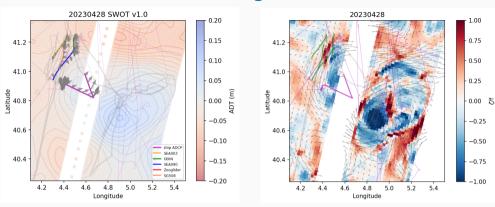


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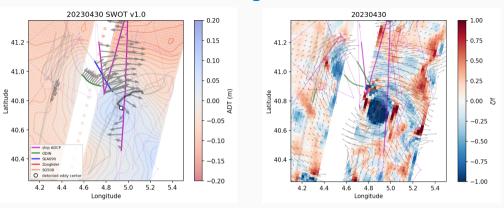
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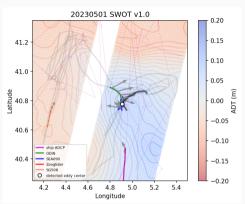
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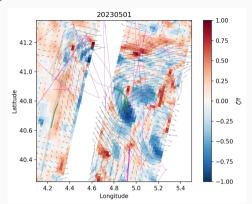




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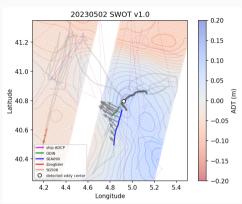


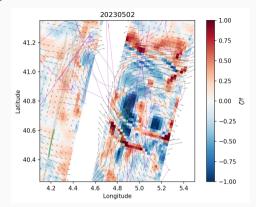
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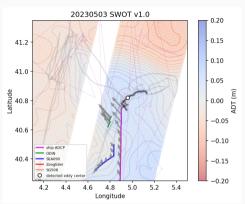


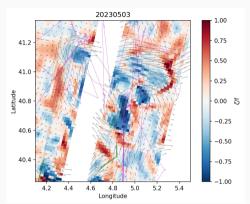
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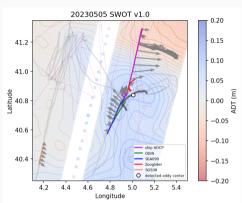


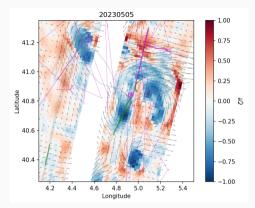




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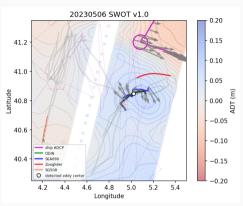


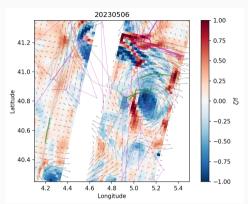




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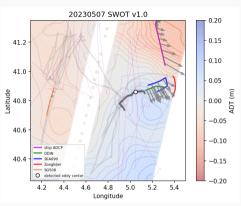


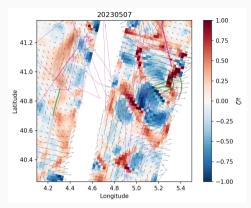
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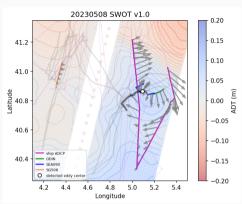


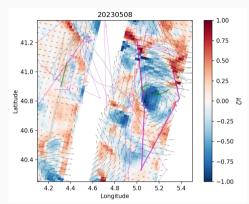
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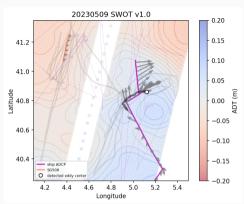


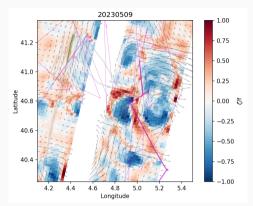




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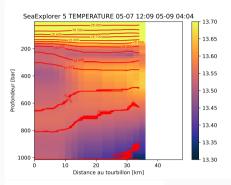


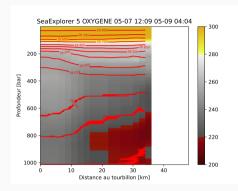


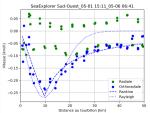
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#### SEA090: eddy characterisation



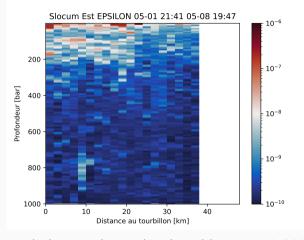




- $\rightarrow$  Eddy sampled with SEA090 (T,S,Chla,O2, $\epsilon$ )
- → Core of a deep anticlonic eddy (high O2, low T)
   → extension down to 1500m
- $\rightarrow \ R \sim 10 km, Vm \sim 0.25 m/s \Rightarrow Ro \sim -0.5$
- → + Odin (T,S,turbulence)



#### First results from microstructure glider + T. Maytie (MIO), I. Fer (UIB)





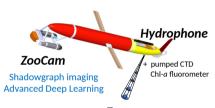
- → Anticyclonic eddy = hotspot of turbulent mixing
- → Impact on vertical fluxes (nutrients, carbon, ...)
- → Impact on biology (grazer/plankton interaction)?
- → turbulence enhanced in the eddy core in 0–300m
  - $\hookrightarrow$  NIW trapping ( $\omega < f$ ) + dissipation at eddy bottom



## Zooglider Med









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#### Zonar

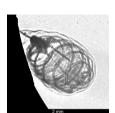
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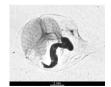




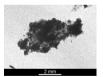












#### **Doliolid** changes across the eddy

