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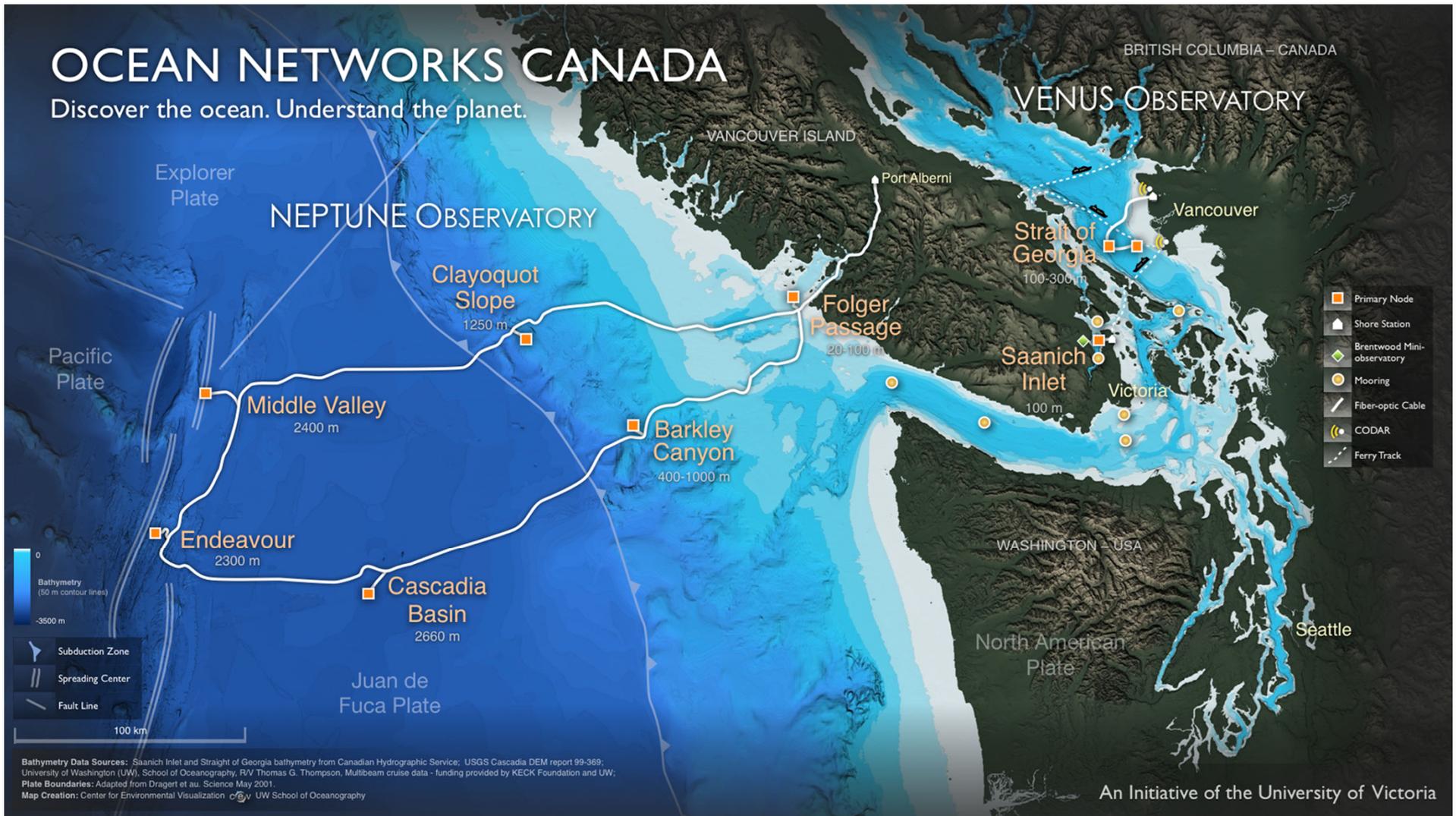
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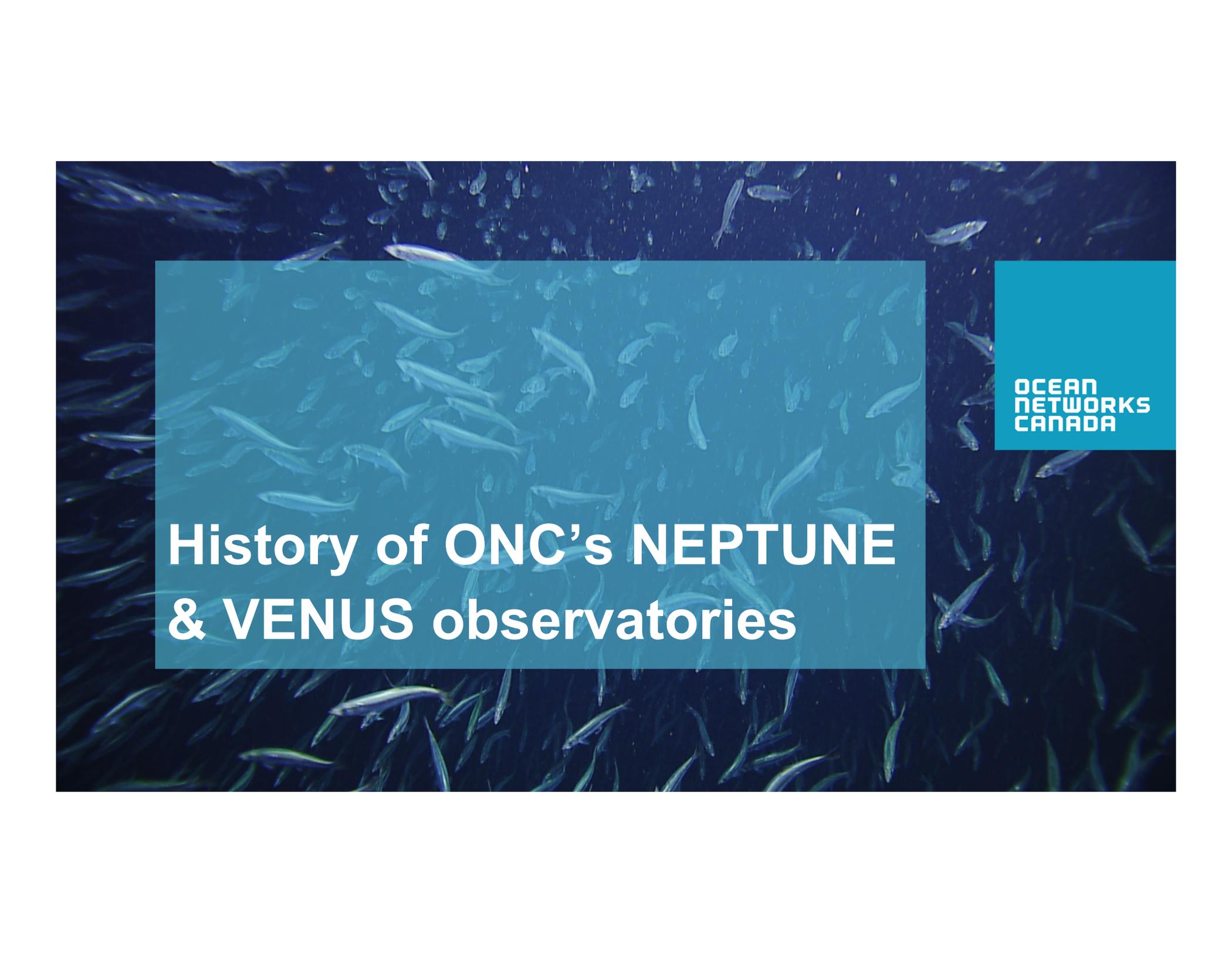


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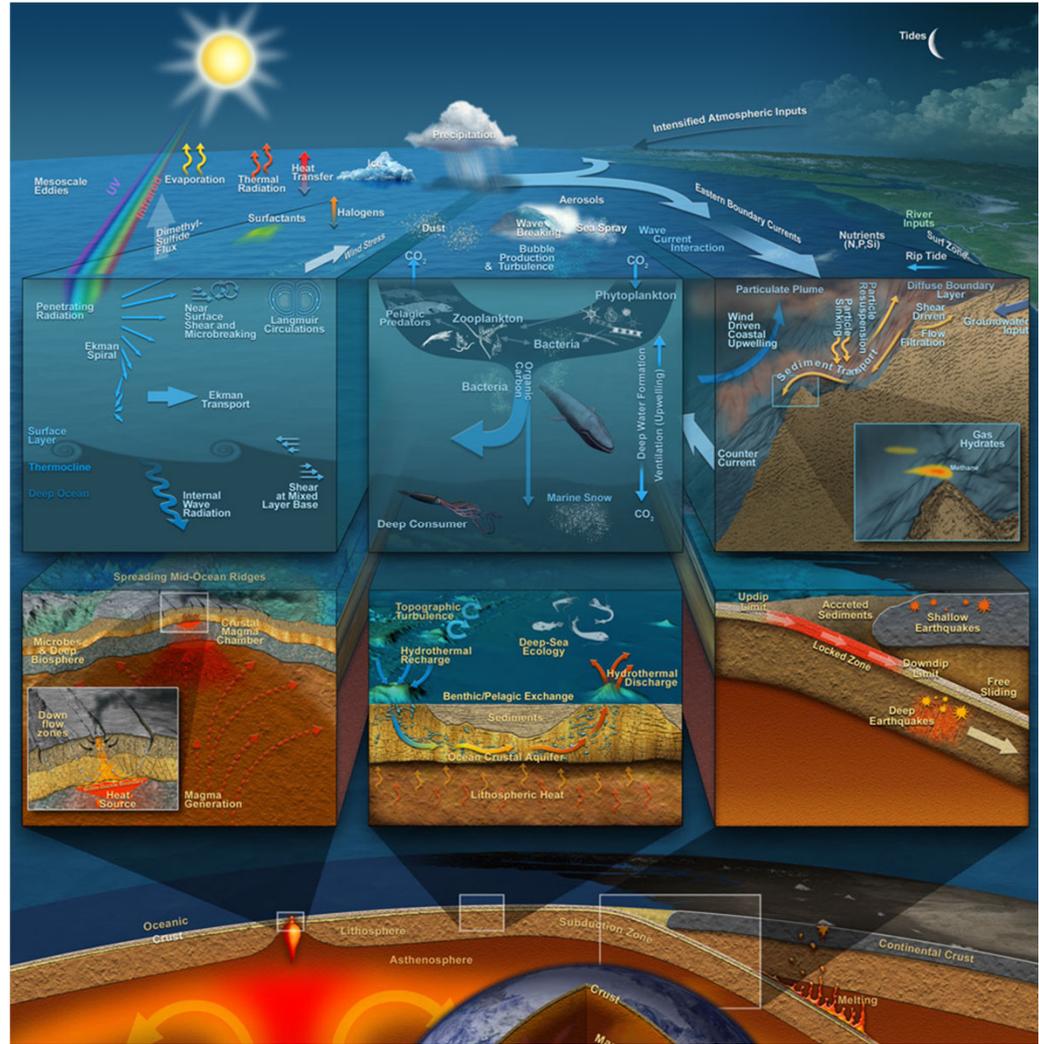
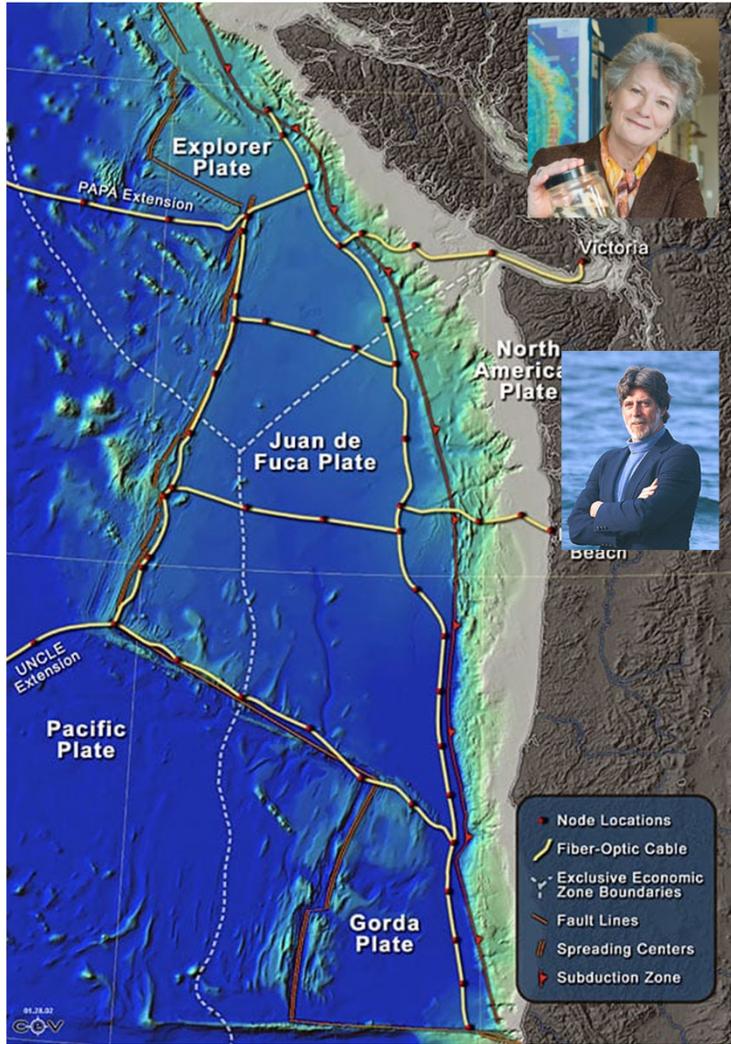


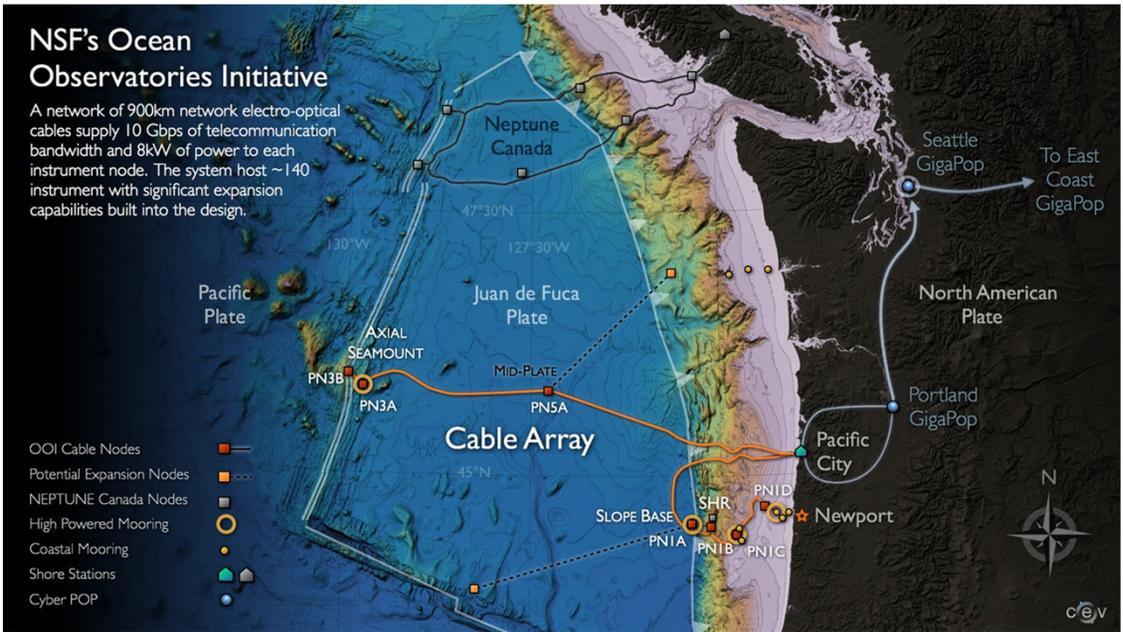
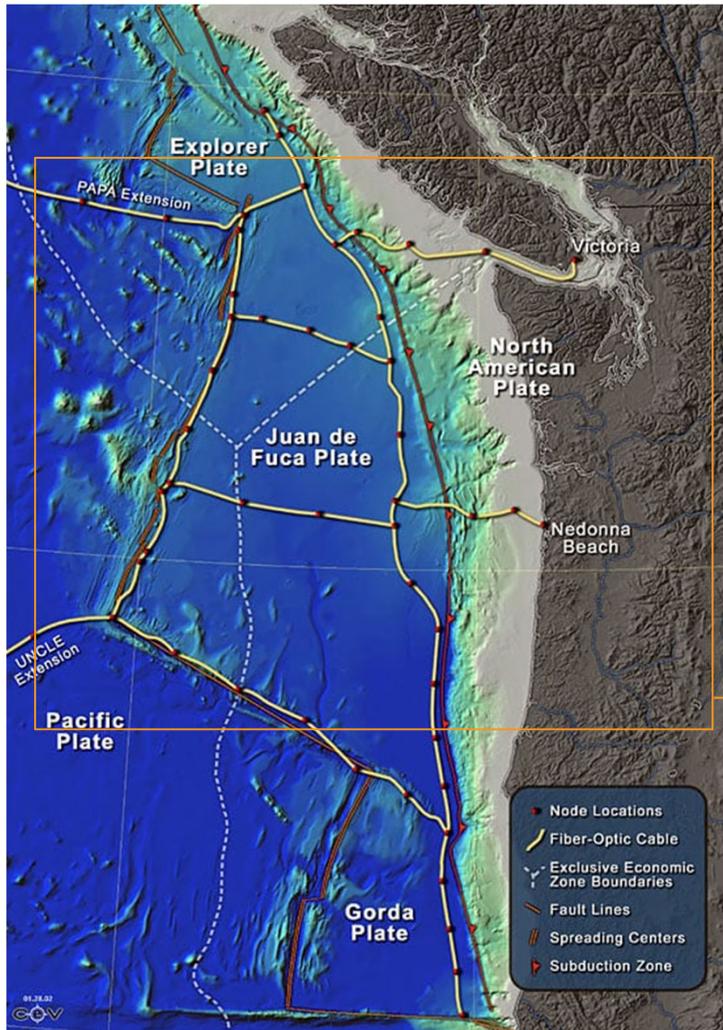
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History of ONC's NEPTUNE & VENUS observatories

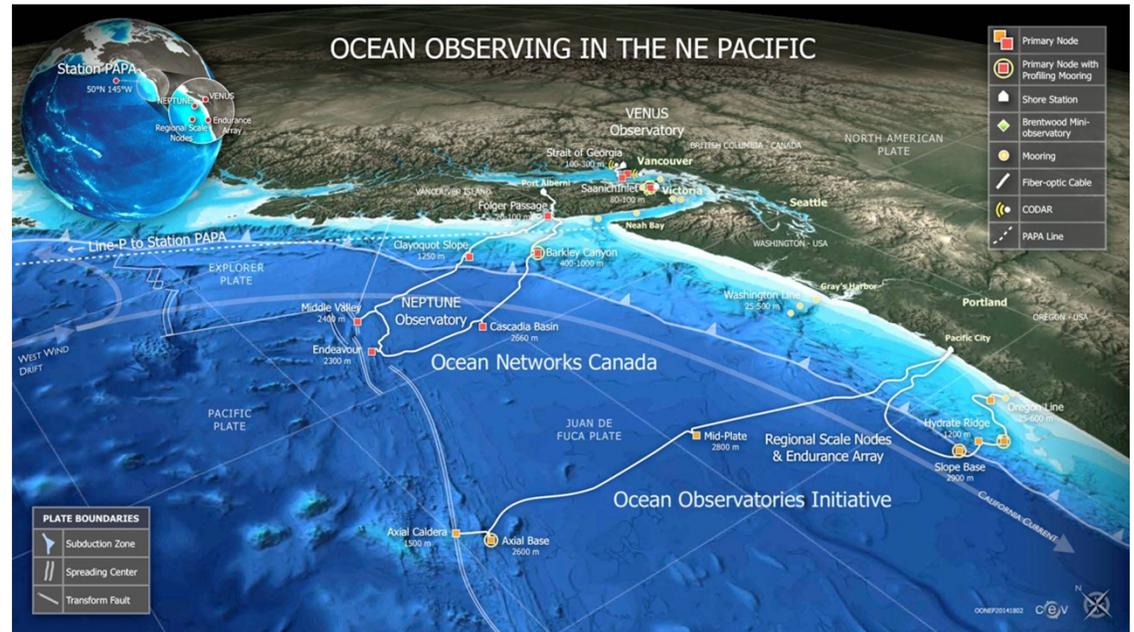
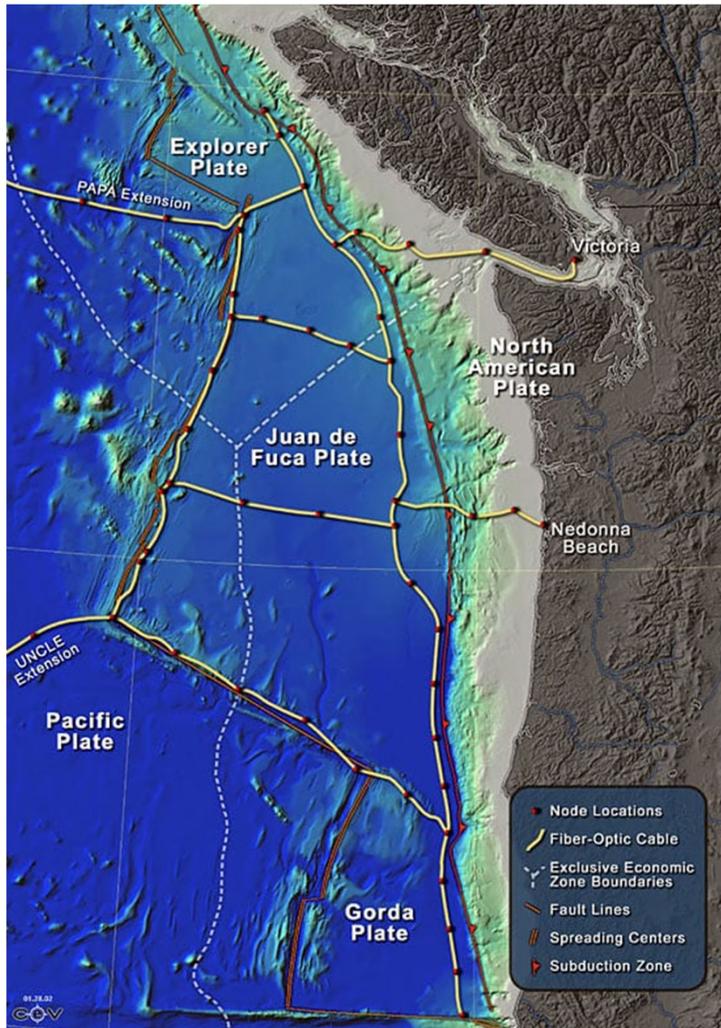
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15 YEARS OF OCEAN INTELLIGENCE

2006



2006

First seafloor observatory is installed in Vancouver Island's Saanich Inlet—a deep glacial fjord with seasonally varying oxygen levels.



2007-2008

Additional networks are installed in the Strait of Georgia, a busy shipping route and home to endangered southern resident killer whales.



2012

First community-based observatory is installed at Cambridge Bay, Nunavut to monitor changing ocean and sea ice conditions in this remote and vulnerable arctic environment.



2011

First land-based coastal radar is installed in the Strait of Georgia to measure ocean current speeds and direction, and first BC Ferries vessel continuously monitors ocean surface properties.



2010

Canada's first marine protected area is instrumented to understand life, vent flow, earthquakes and more at the 350 degree hydrothermal vents.



2009

An 800-km deep-sea network is installed from Canada's west coast to the outer edge of a tectonic plate, reaching a depth of 2.6 km.



2013

AML Oceanographic of BC demonstrates a new commercial UV-based anti-biofouling system on ONC's network, resulting in global sales.



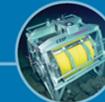
2014

ONC hosts Atlantic Ocean data on behalf of a Bay of Fundy tidal energy facility; in 2019, adds data from the mouth of the Saint Lawrence River.



2015

An underwater listening station is installed in the Strait of Georgia to monitor the impact of shipping on marine mammals.



2016

18 kilometres of cable extensions triple the sensor capacity at Endeavour; community observatories are installed in Tofino, Campbell River, Kitimaat Village and Prince Rupert.



2017

A cabled mooring is installed to monitor ocean acidification in Baynes Sound where over 50% of BC's shellfish are farmed.

2021



2020

Community observatories are installed in Burrard Inlet, Hartley Bay and China Creek; a new hydrophone array is installed in the Strait of Georgia.



2019

Specialized instruments arrays are installed on ONC's deep-sea network to explore the potential for a full-scale neutrino observatory at Cascadia Basin.



2018

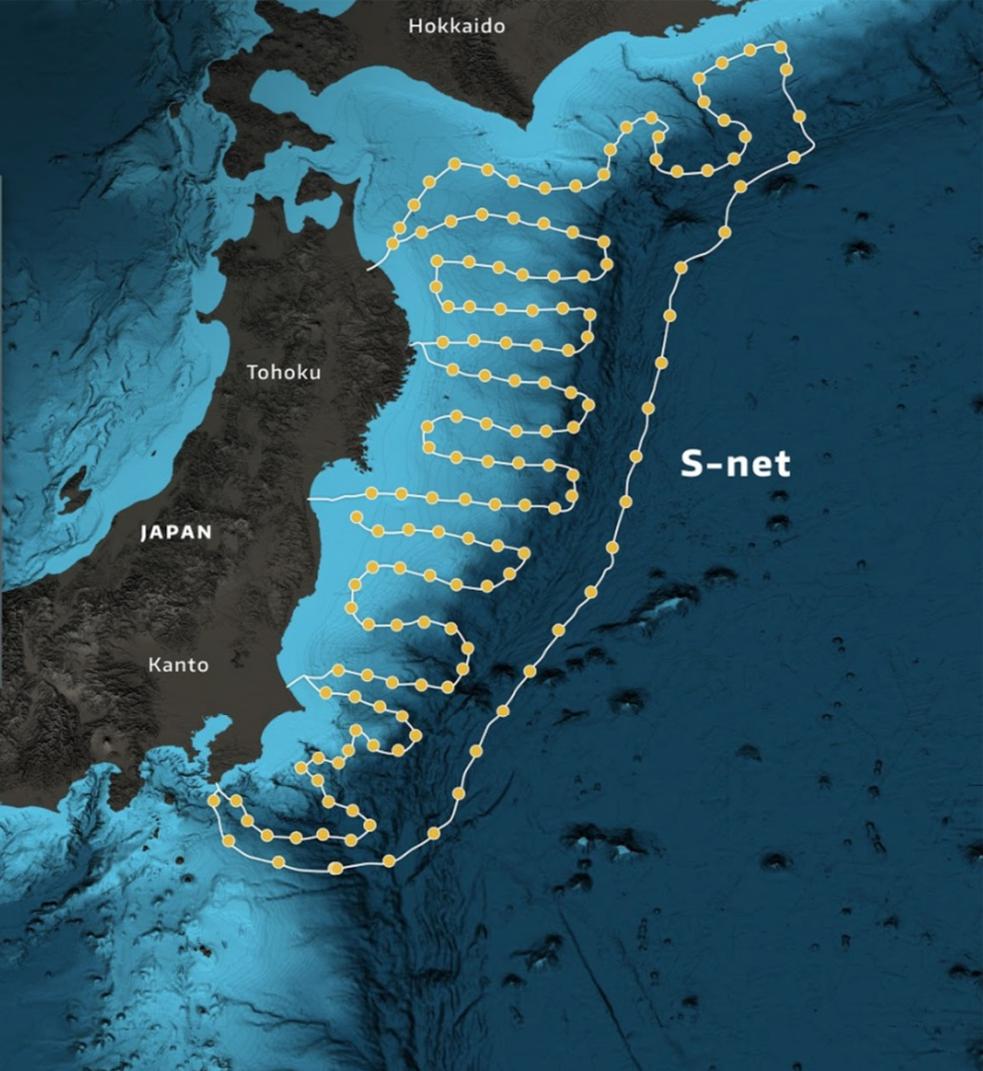
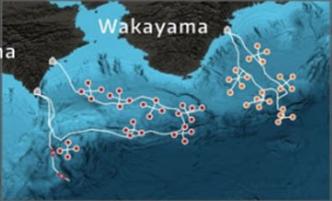
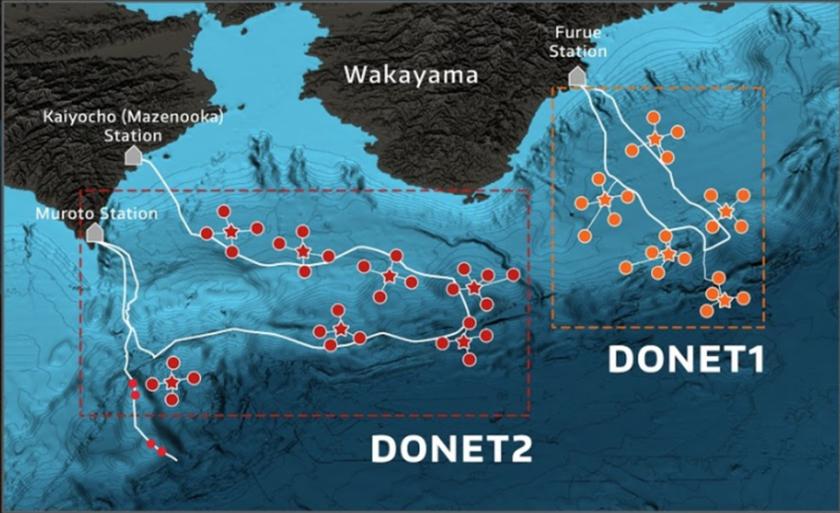
The final of eight earthquake early warning sensors is installed on the Cascadia subduction zone; an autonomous mooring is installed on the Dellwood Seamount.



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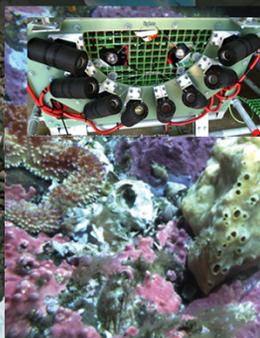
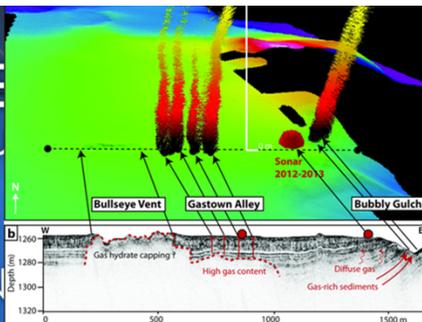
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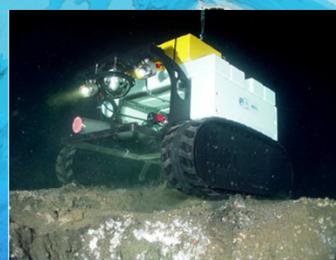


Clayoquot Slope
1250 m

Folger Passage
20-100 m

Saanich Inlet
100 m

Barkley Canyon
400-1000 m



Endeavour
2300 m

Cascadia Basin
2660 m

- Primary Node
- Shore Station
- Brentwood Mini-observatory
- Mooring
- Fiber-optic Cable
- CODAR
- Ferry Track



- Subduction Zone
- Spreading Center
- Fault Line

100 km

Bathymetry Data Sources: Saanich Inlet and Strait of Georgia bathy
University of Washington (UW), School of Oceanography, R/V Thomas G.
Plate Boundaries: Adapted from Dragert et al. Science May 2001.
Map Creation: Center for Environmental Visualization © UW School



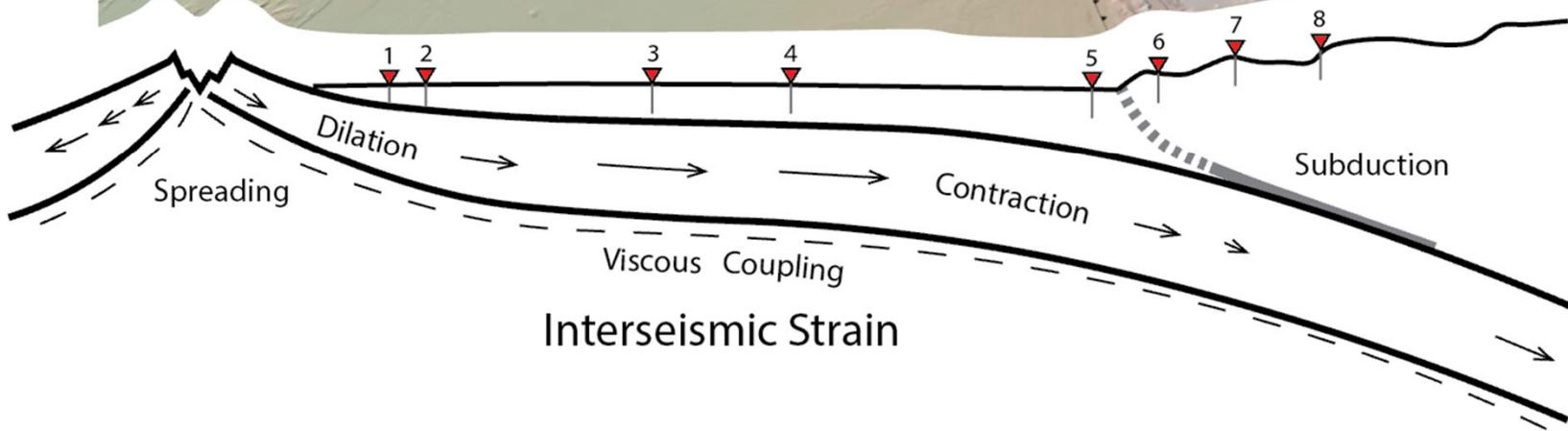
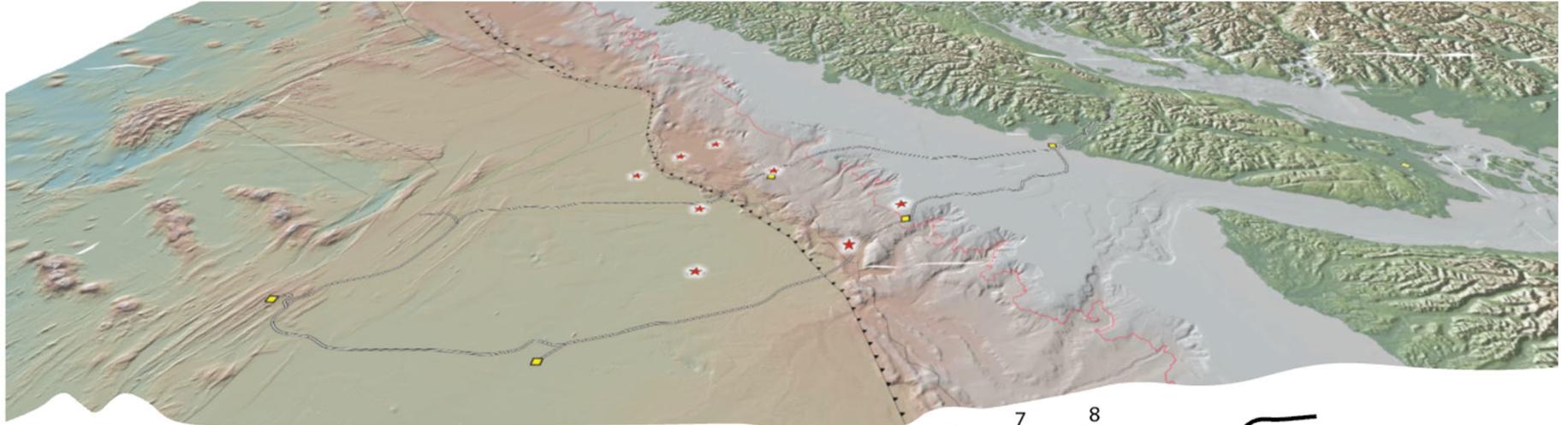
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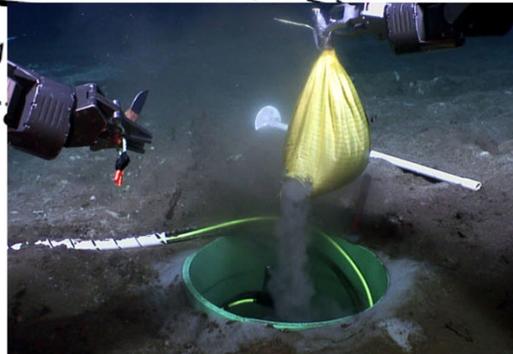
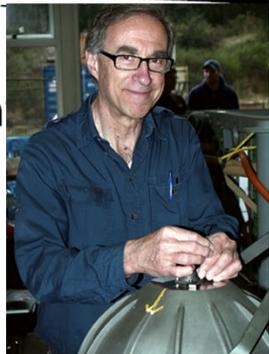
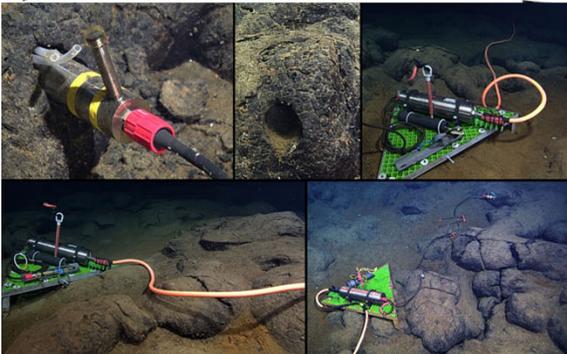
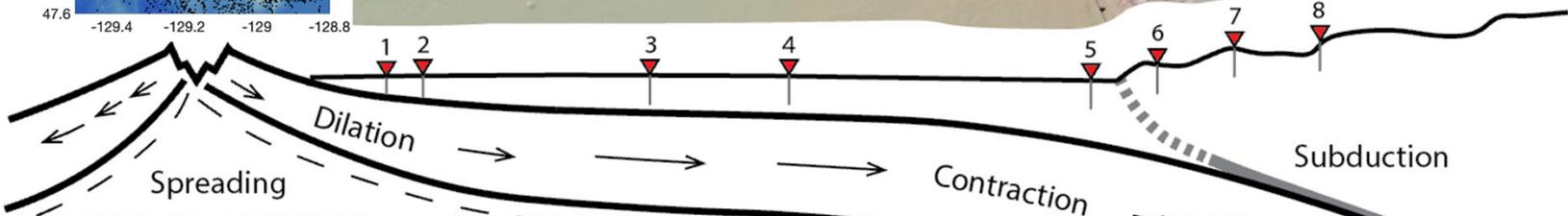
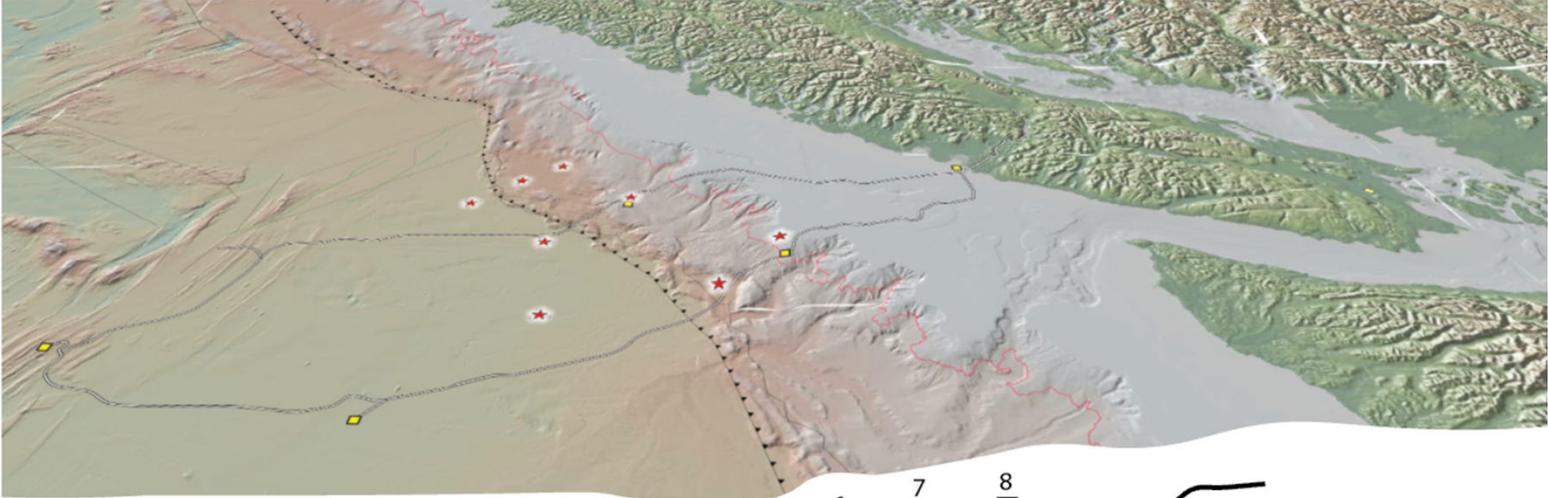
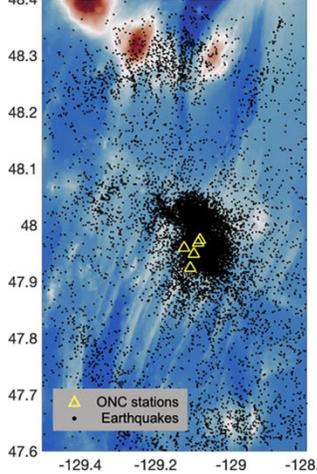
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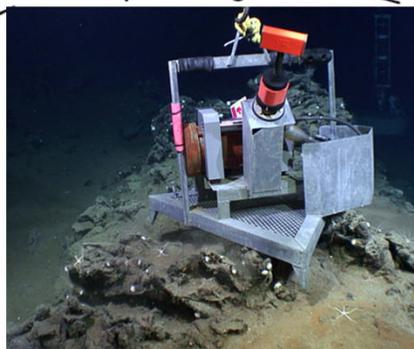
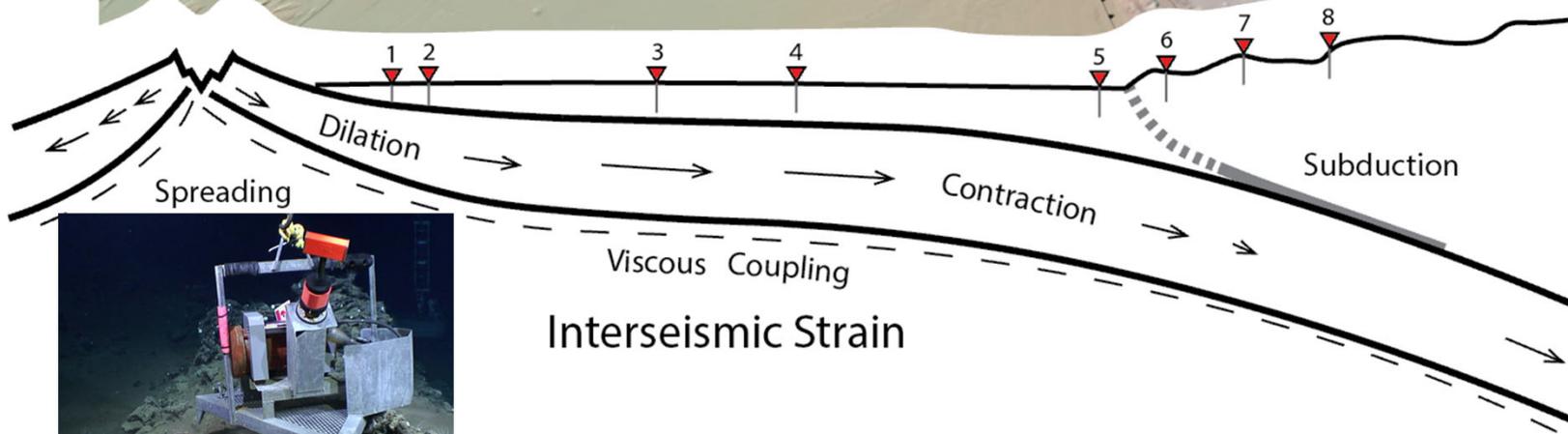
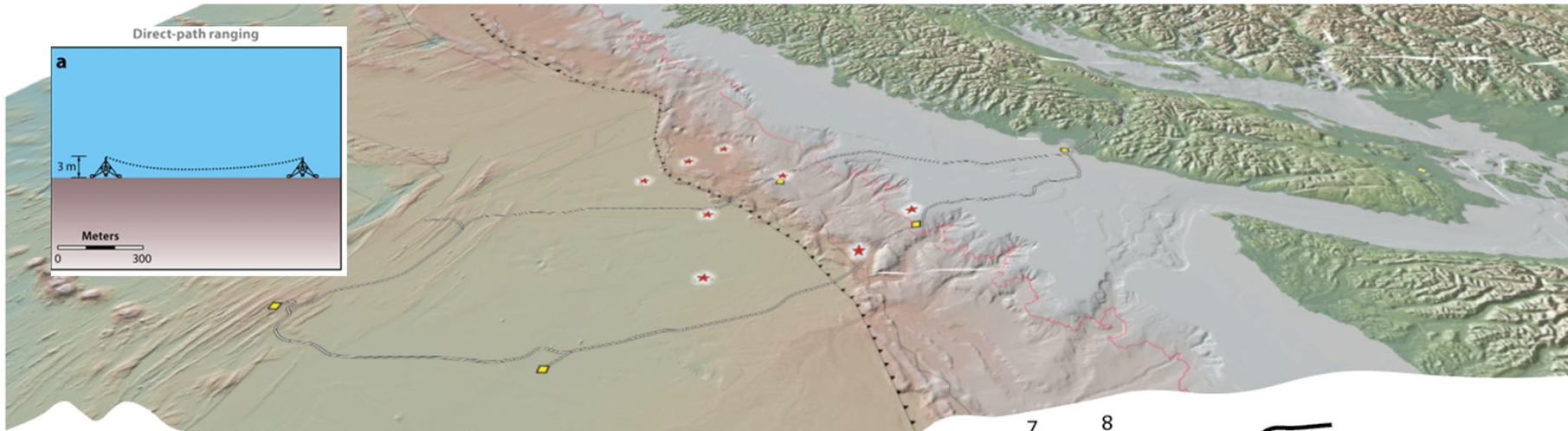
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2016-2020 Endeavour Earthquakes



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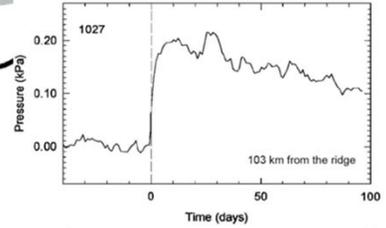
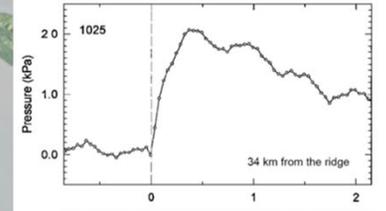
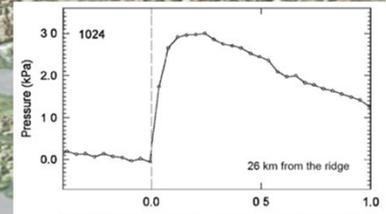
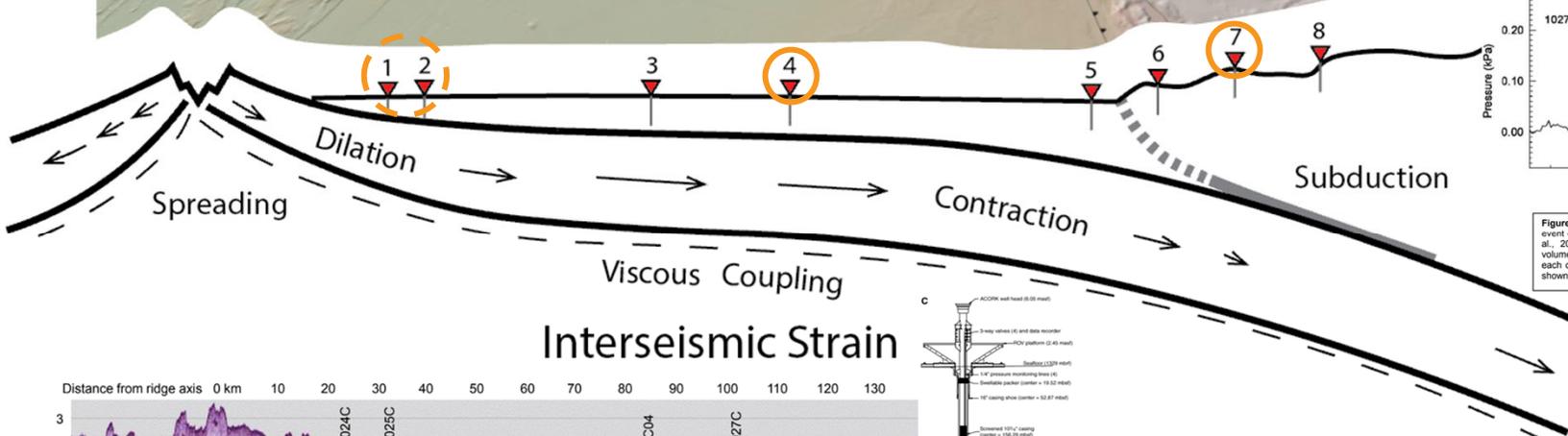
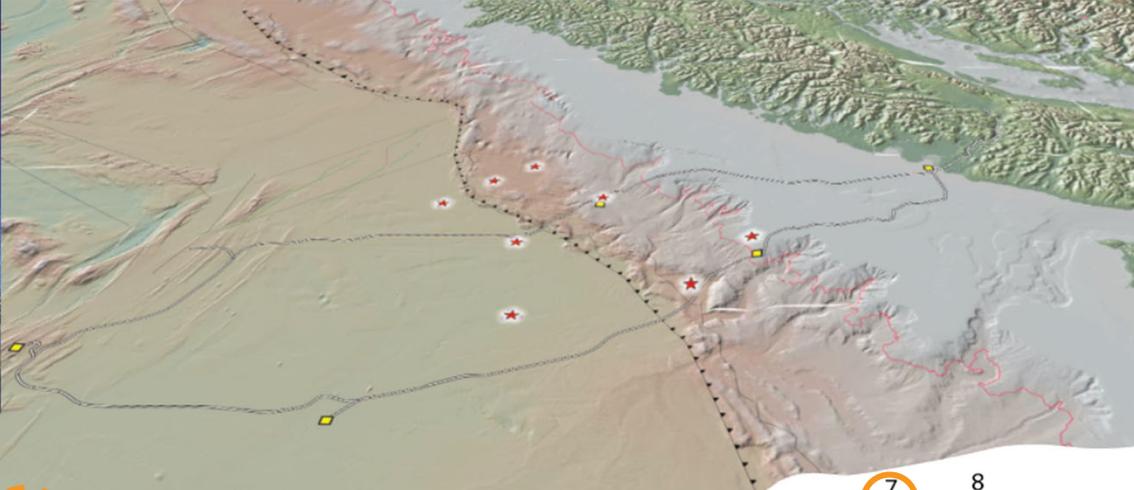
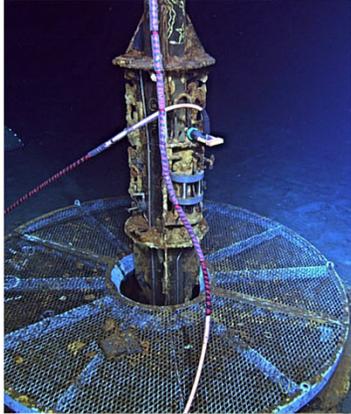
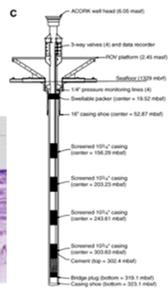
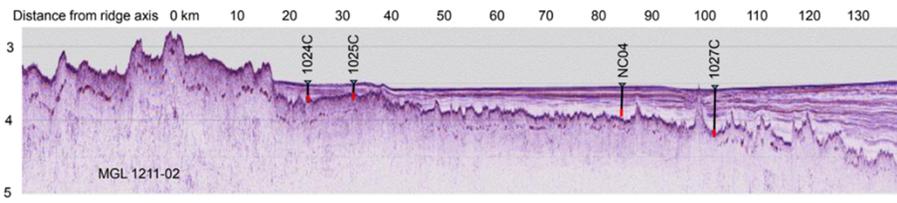
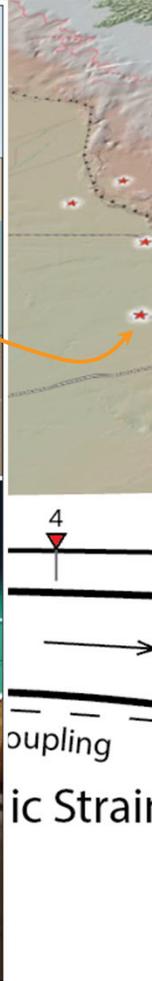
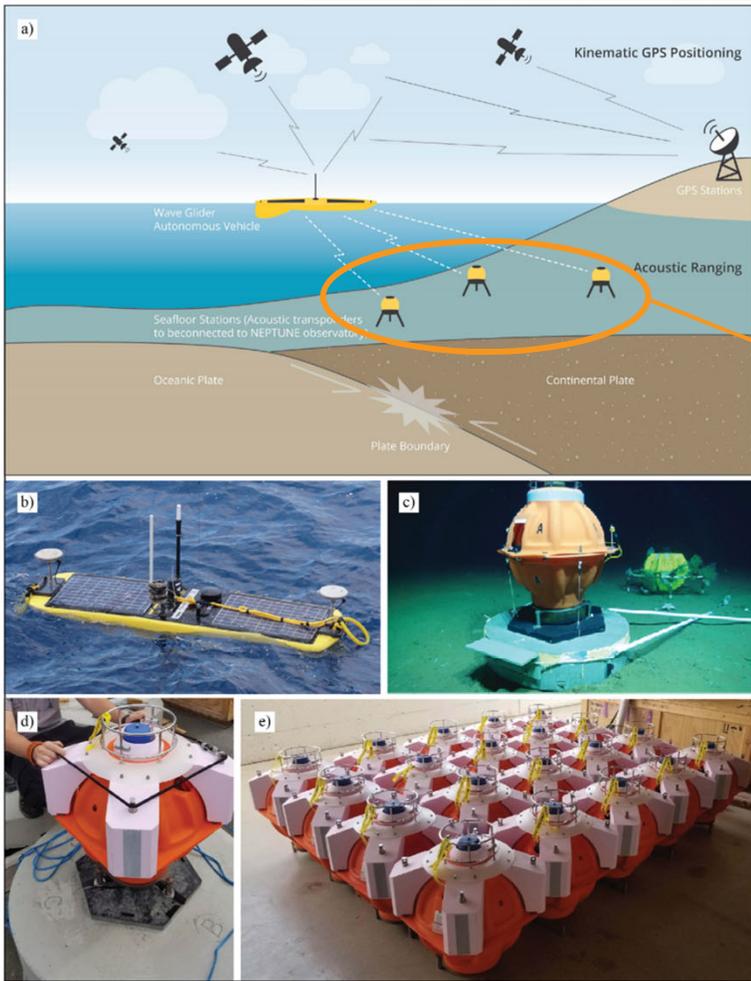


Figure 3. Pressure anomalies associated with a seafloor spreading event on the northern Juan de Fuca Ridge in 1999 (from Davis et al., 2001). Using the relationship shown in Fig. 2d, inferred volumetric strain is estimated at -0.2, -0.1, and -0.01 microstrain at each of the three sites. The CORK observatory site locations are shown in Figure 6.

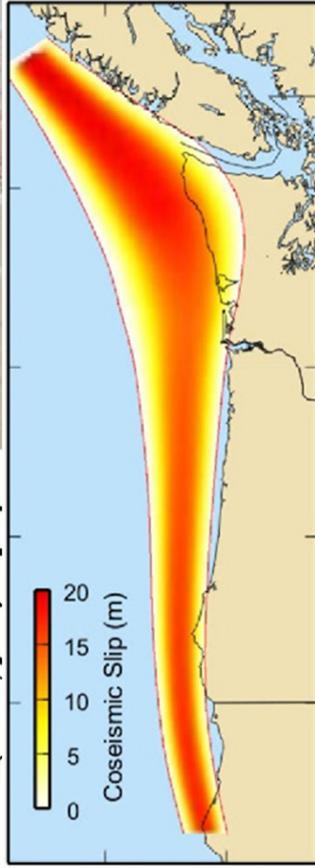


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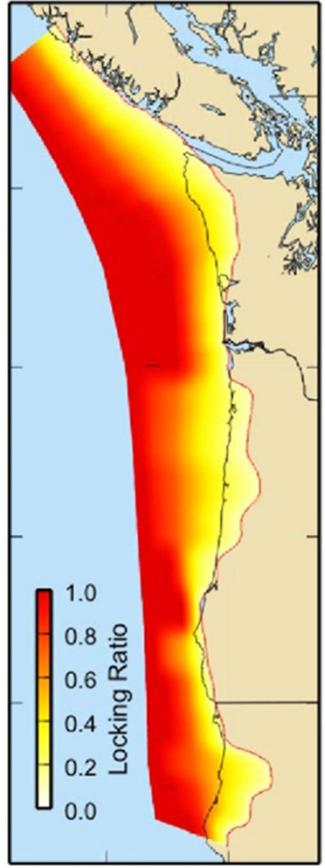




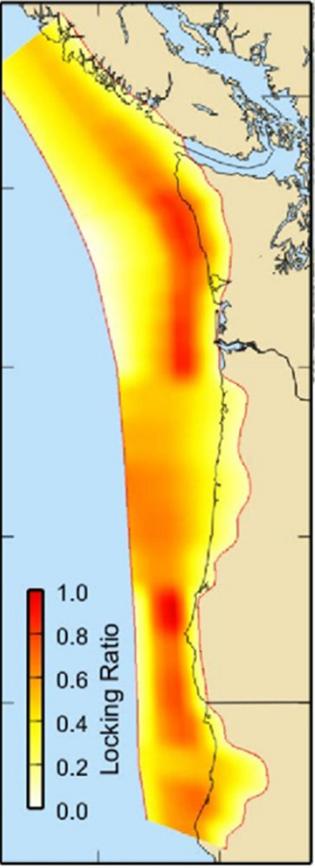
(c) Prest et al. (2010) simplified



(d) Schmalzle et al. (2014) Gamma model



(e) Schmalzle et al. (2014) Gaussian model



EARLY EARTHQUAKE WARNING STATION STATUS



Geo-Seismic Sensors:

- Accelerometer
- GNSS
- Station Computer
- Tilt Meter
- ONC ownership
- NRCAN ownership
- Planned installation

Other:

- Node
- Fibre-optic Cable
- Fault Line
- Subduction Zone
- Spreading Centre

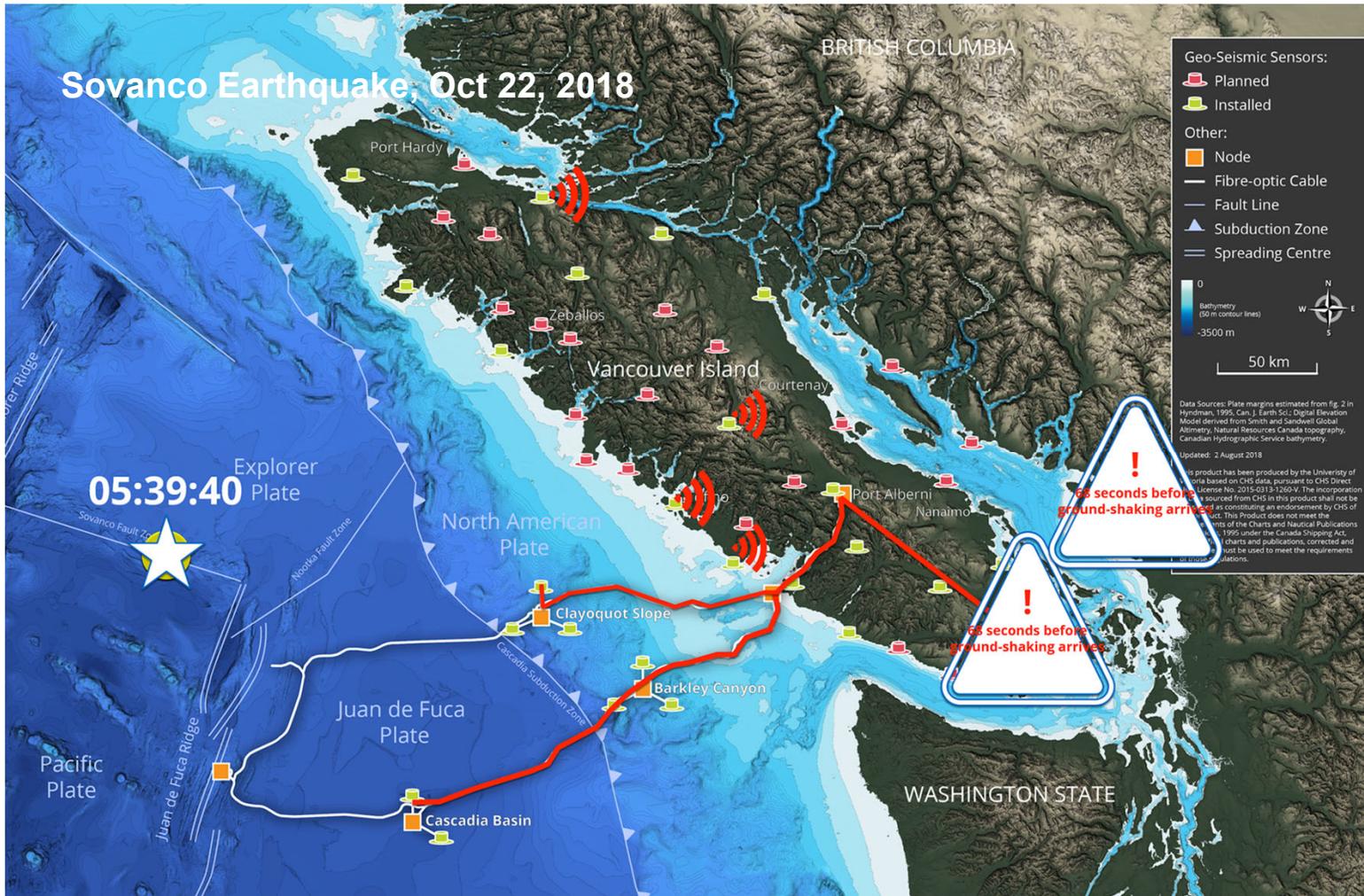


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Data Sources: Plate margins estimated from fig. 2 in Hyndman, 1996, Can. J. Earth Sci.; Digital Elevation Model derived from Smith and Sandwell Global Altimetry; Natural Resources Canada topography; Canadian Hydrographic Service bathymetry.

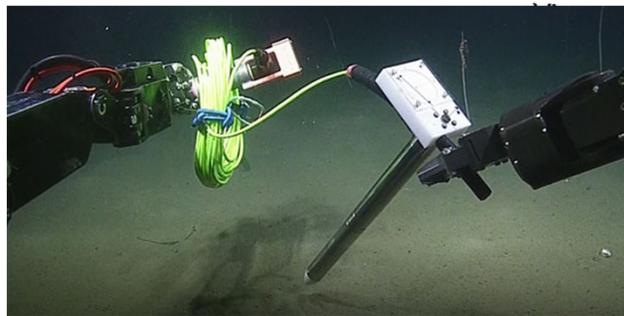
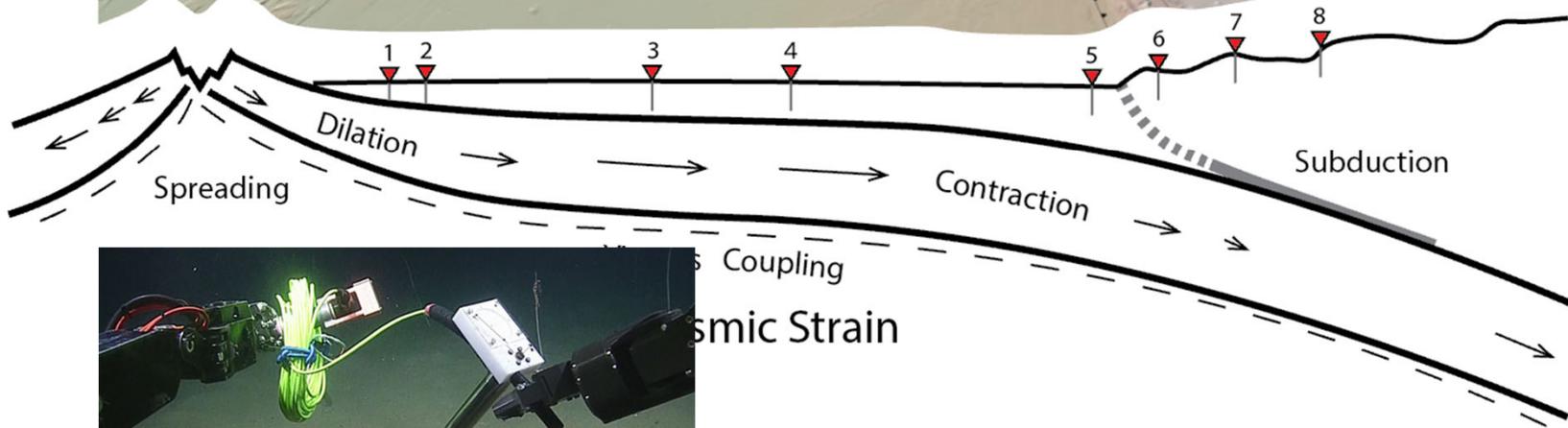
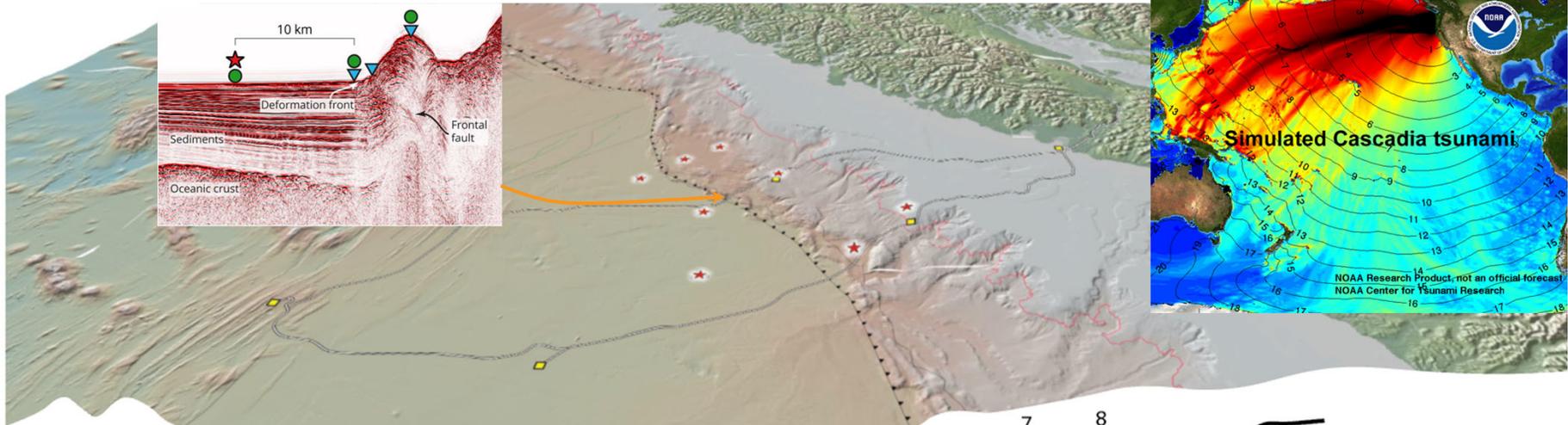
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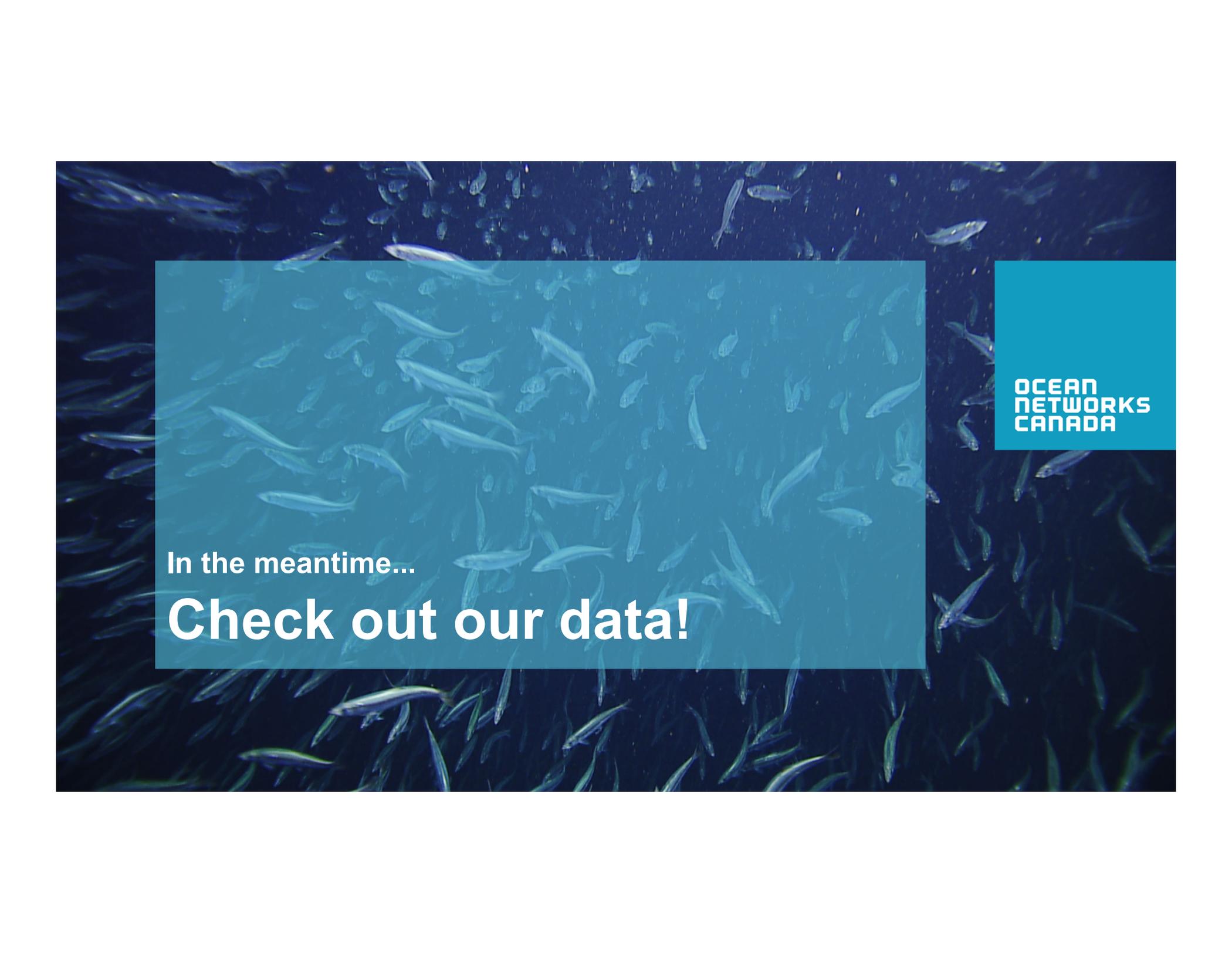




Coupling
Seismic Strain

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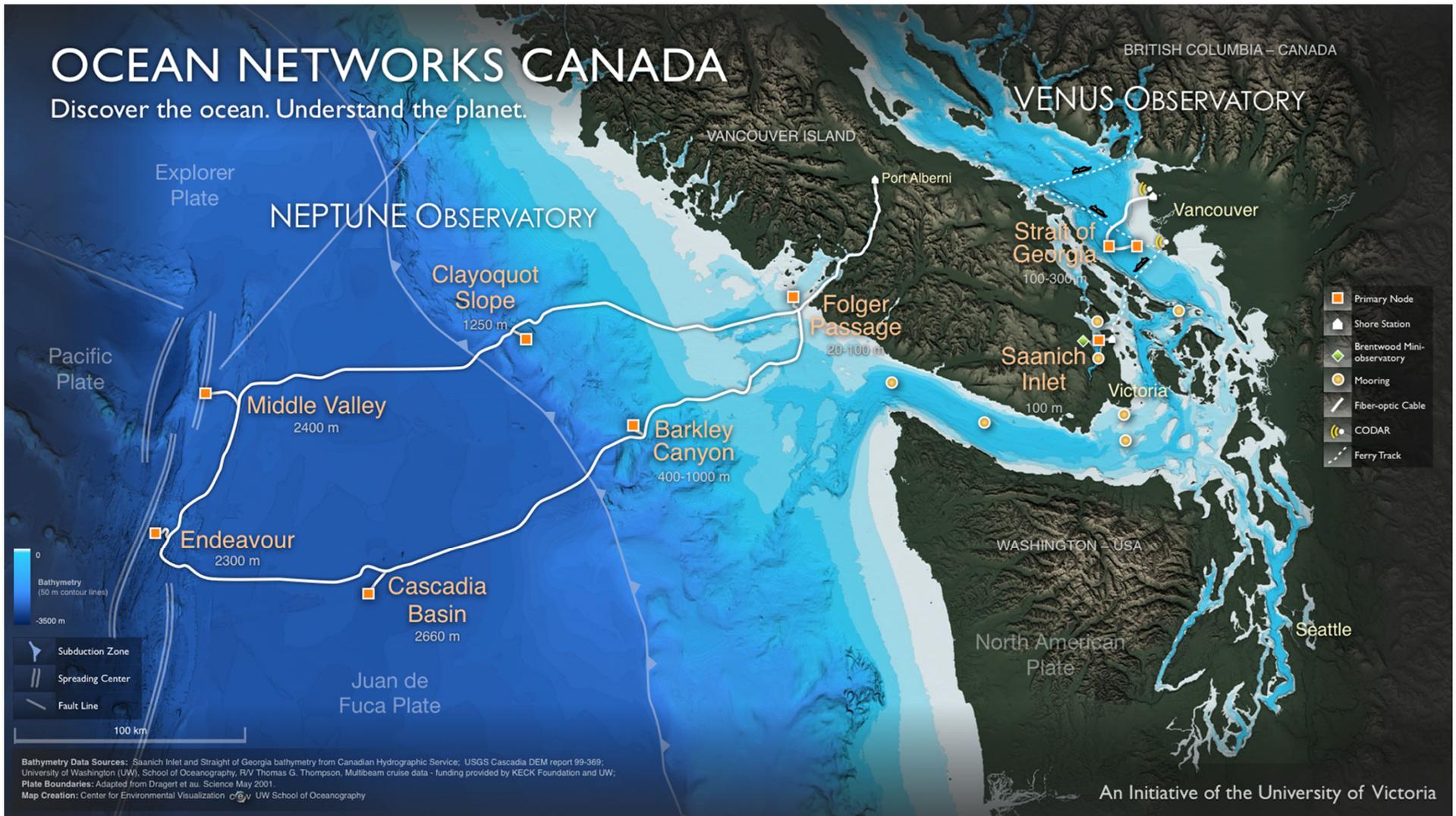
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Wang, Kejia; Thomson, Richard E; Rabinovich, Alexander B; Fine, Isaac V; Insua, Tania L
Pure and Applied Geophysics, (2020) [view citation](#)
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The meteorological tsunami of 1 November 2010 in the southern Strait of Georgia: a case study
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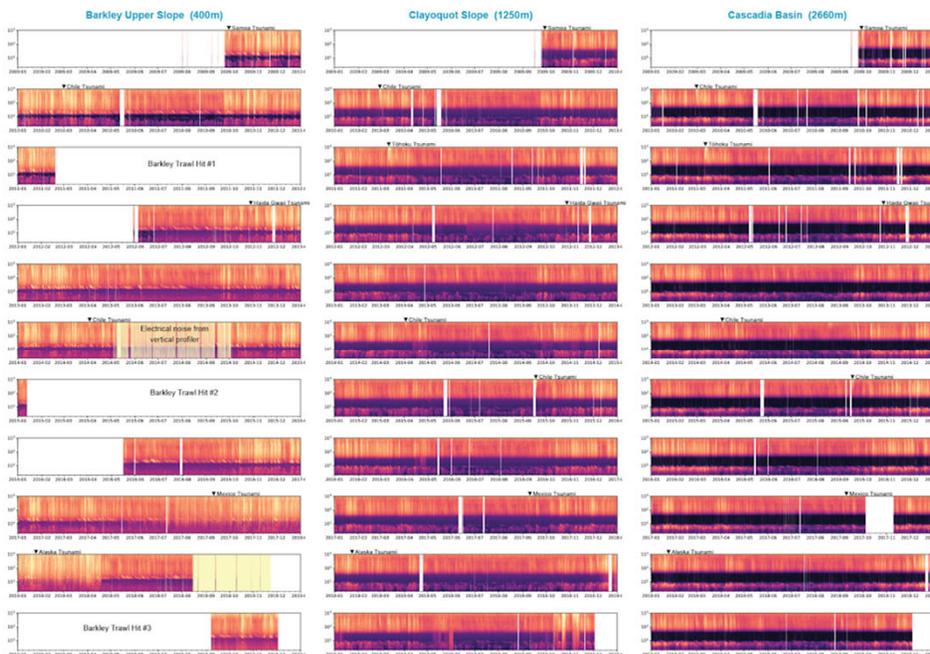
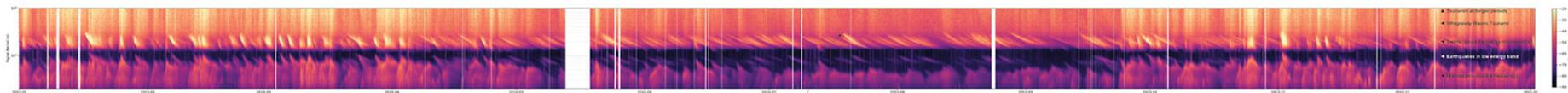
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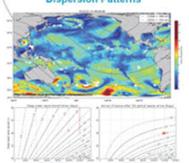
A Decade of High-resolution Ocean Bottom Pressure Measurements in the Northeast Pacific

The NEPTUNE Observatory Turns 10 years old

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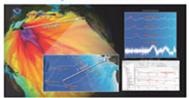


Dispersion Patterns



Swells (long wave waves) are dispersive. Longer period waves travel faster than shorter period waves. By comparing the difference of arrival between different period waves we can estimate the distance the swells travelled since they were generated. In the summer months, most swells originate from the southern hemisphere; a common time difference of about 1.5 days between 30s and 20s swells indicates that the waves travelled for about 12,000 km.

Earthquakes and Tsunamis



On September 30, 2009, just days after the first NEPTUNE instruments were installed, the first tsunami waves of 2.5-5.0 cm amplitude generated by the Mw 8.8 Samoa earthquake were recorded by six BPRs. More tsunamis were recorded in the following years as indicated in the spectrograms to the right. The figure above shows the 2011 Tohoku-Oki earthquake and tsunami recorded by the ONC infrastructure.

Bottom Pressure Recorders

The Bottom Pressure Recorders (BPR) deployed on the observatory consist of DigQuartz pressure sensors built by Paroscientific, Inc. and low power, high precision frequency counters developed for the Pacific Geoscience Center. They provide observations of nano-resolution pressure variations which correspond to millimeter scale surface height variations at several kilometers of water. IOR Ltd. took on the challenge to develop an off-the-shelf instrument based on the same technology (<http://www.ior-global.com/products/bpr>).

Overview

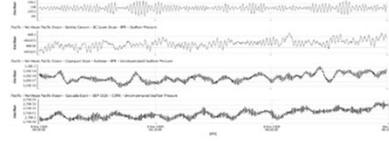
The high-precision Bottom Pressure Recorders (BPR) deployed on the Ocean Networks Canada NEPTUNE Observatory are capable of detecting a wide range of phenomena related to sea-level variations and hydro-acoustic waves. Detected signals include Tides, storm surges, Tsunamis and Earthquakes, Infragravity Waves, Swells and Microseisms. As observed in the example from the BPR at Barkley Upper Slope shown above:

- infragravity waves (~30 s periods),
- swells (14-30 s periods),
- double frequency microseisms (2-10s), and
- earthquakes (stripes visible in the low energy band from ~8-14 s) get recorded at about 400m water depth.

 Dispersion Pattern from swells generated in the southern hemisphere are prominent during summer months in the swell and microseism band. Higher frequency microseisms in the range between 2-7 s period, indicative of regionally generated wind waves, are used to define a Microseism Based Upwelling Index.

Infragravity Waves, Swells, and Microseisms

Apart from tides, different pressure signals dominate the data depending on the water depth. The plots below show that Foger (Deep 1000 m) is dominated by swells, infragravity waves and microseisms (at double the swell frequency) become noticeable in the unprocessed data at Barkley upper slope @400 m (see also spectrograms). At the deeper sites, swells are fully attenuated and the infragravity waves and microseisms dominate. Note, the scales differ considerably between the plots.



Microseism Based Upwelling Index

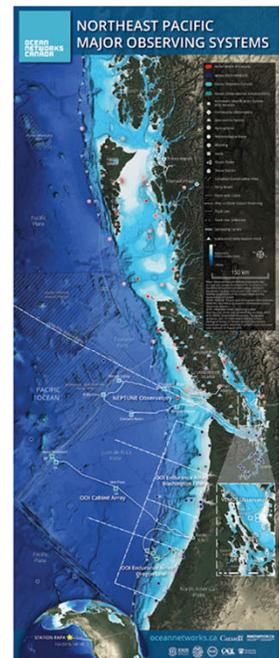
The biological productivity of coastal upwelling regions undergoes marked interannual variability as marine ecosystems respond to changes in the prevailing winds. Determination of the principal metrics that define the upwelling cycle—the spring transition, when ocean conditions switch from downwelling to upwelling favorable, and the fall transition, when conditions return to downwelling favorable—is essential for understanding changes in coastal productivity. Thomson et al. (2014) argue that upwelling in the northern California Current System may be delineated by changes in microseism activity.

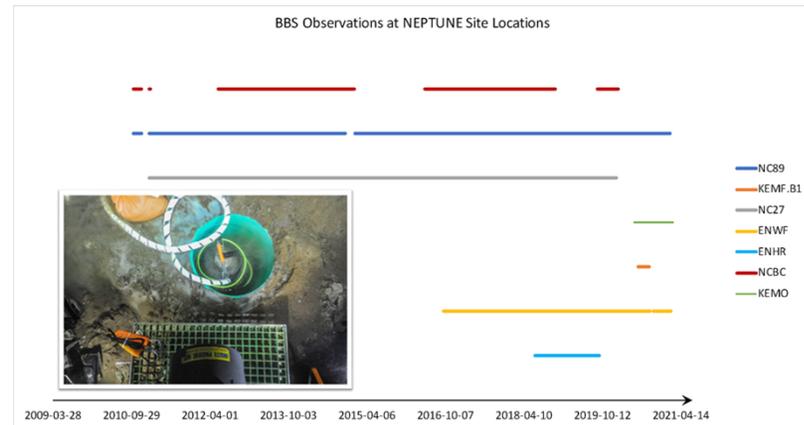
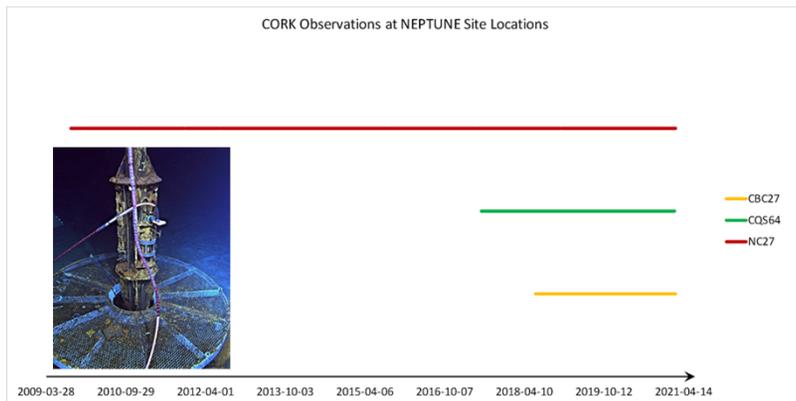
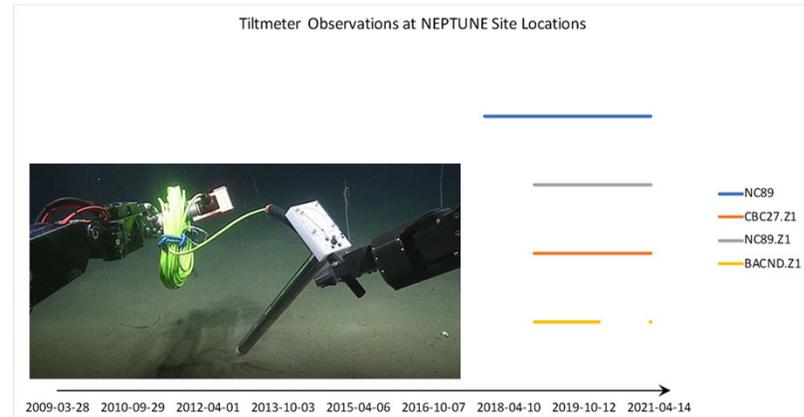
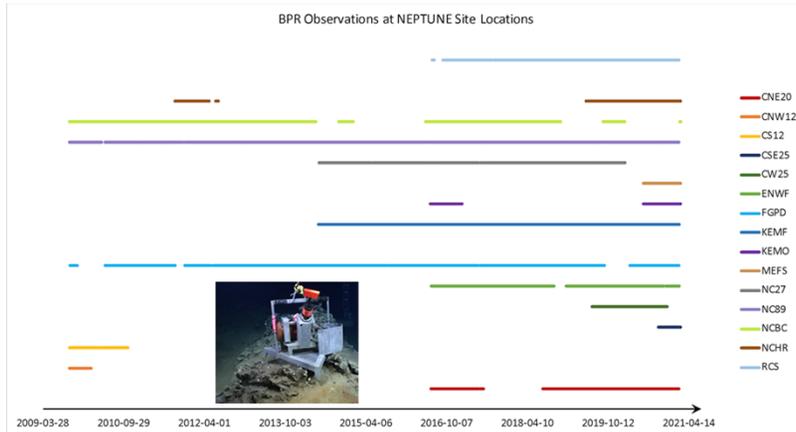
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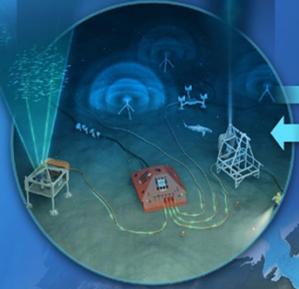




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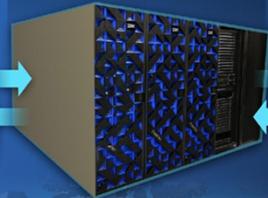
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Near-Real Time Ocean Data,
All the Time



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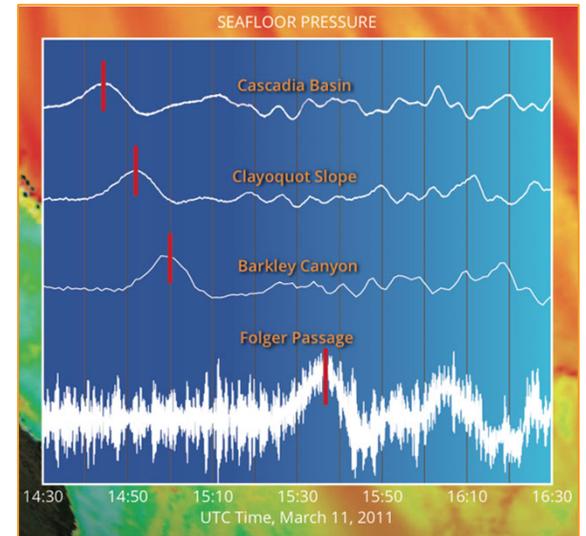
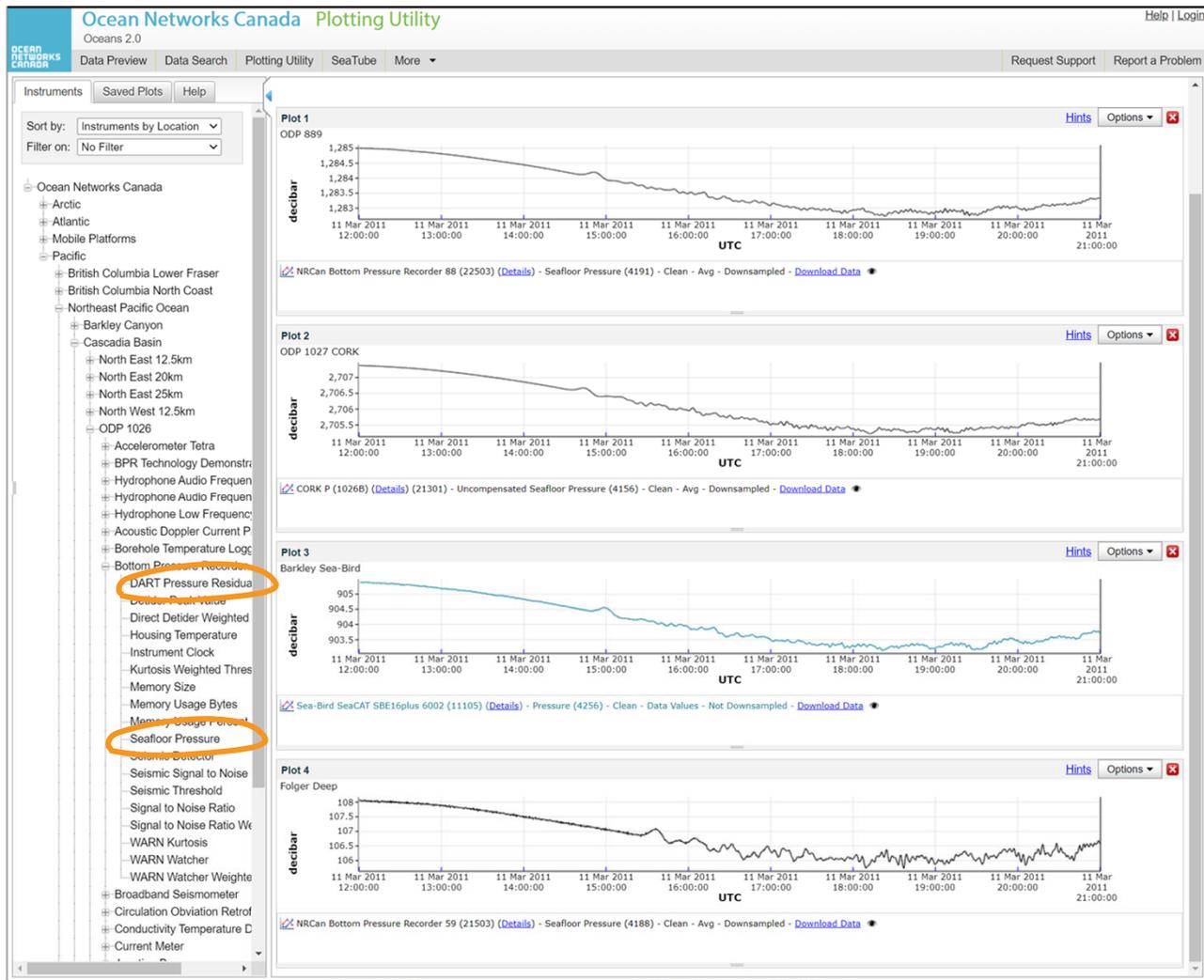


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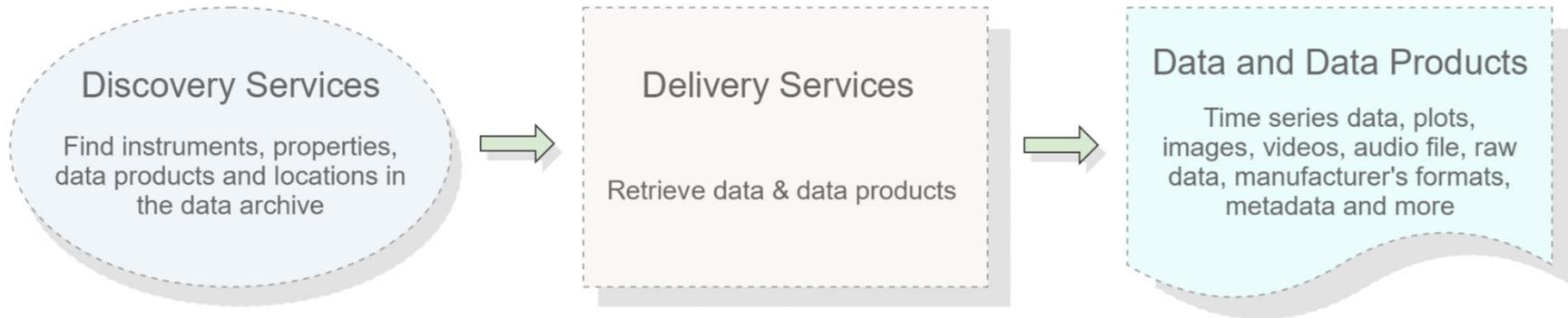
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Oceans 2.0 API Home

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The Oceans 2.0 API provides a collection of web services for programmatically unlocking access to the vast ONC data archive, whether it is scalar data, complex data or video and imagery. Use Discovery Services to find the data and Delivery Services to retrieve data.

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- Oceans 2.0 User's Guide

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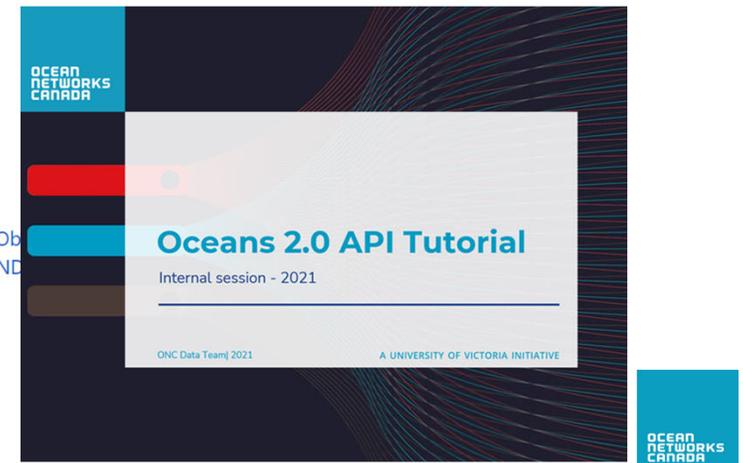
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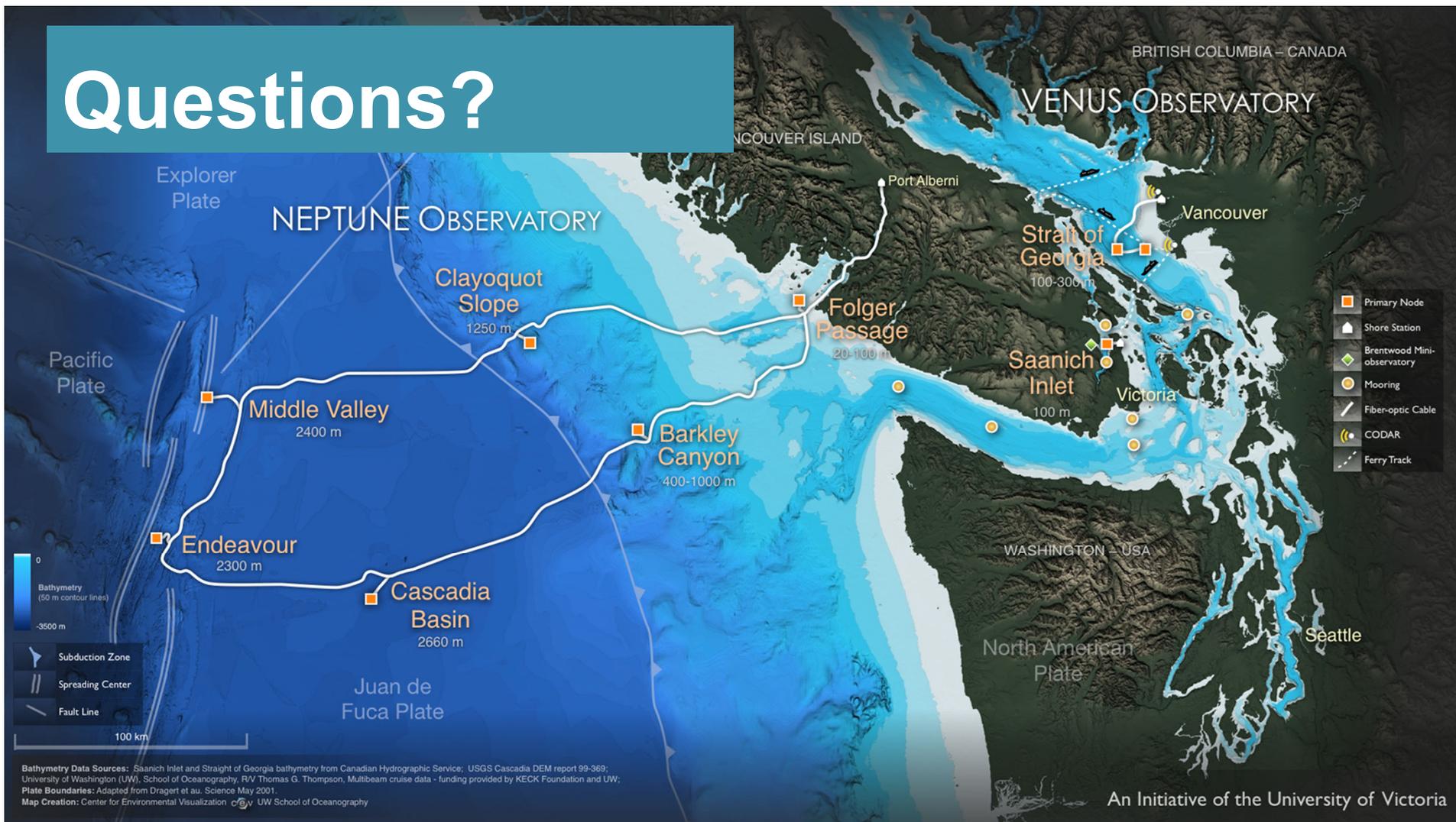
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