

CASE:  
A national consortium for  
improved education and research in applied geoscience -  
based on case studies



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# Outline:

- Introduction
- CASE
- The way ahead



## Introduction (1/3):

- Challenges for Academia:
  - Low oil prices makes studies in petroleum less relevant
  - Climate changes and the present «political focus» makes petroleum studies unpopular
- Consequences:
  - Less students means less funding for education and research



## Introduction (2/3):

- Academia has a responsibility to emphasize the generic value of their education and research
- Academia has the benefit of doing research which might have a relevance





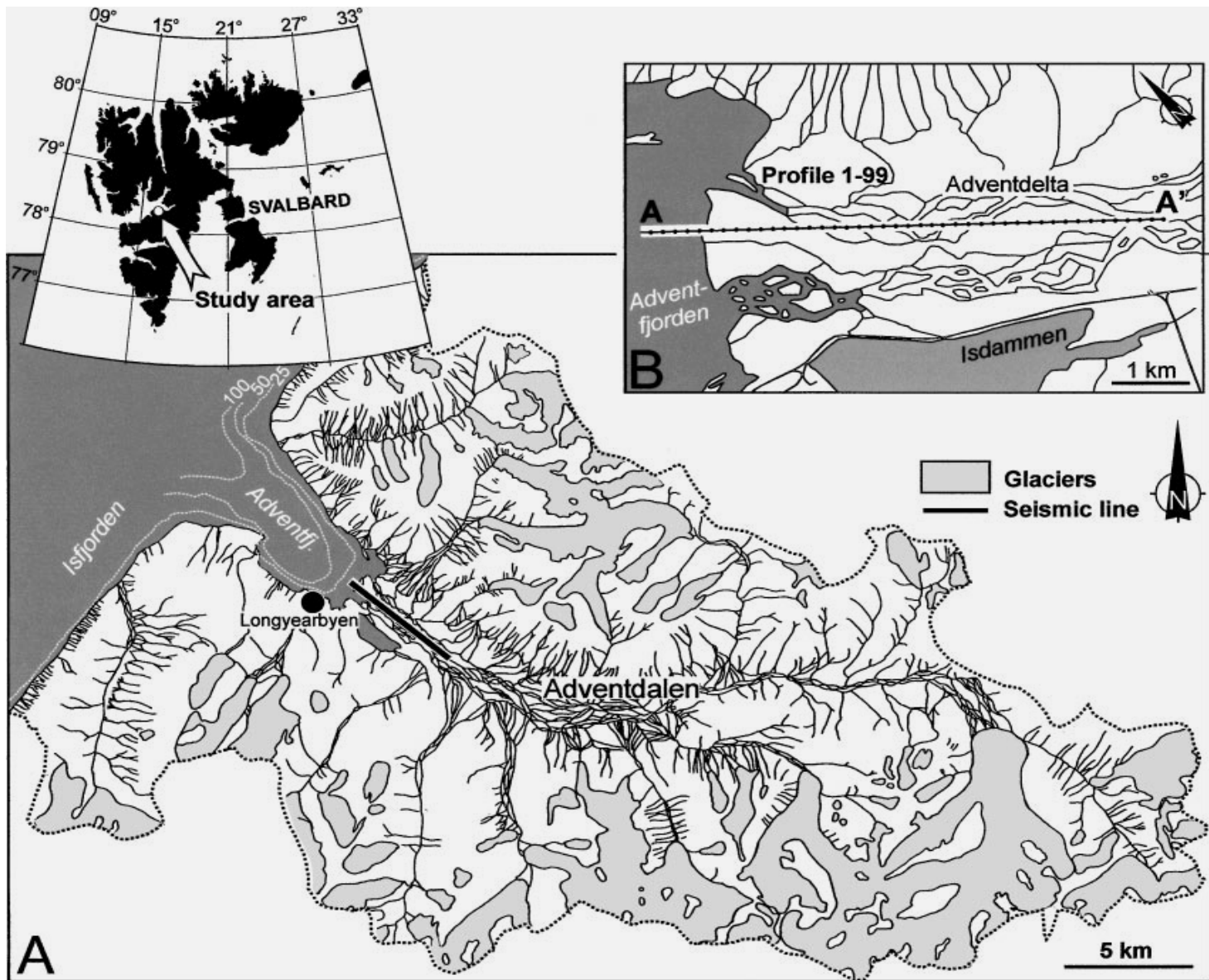




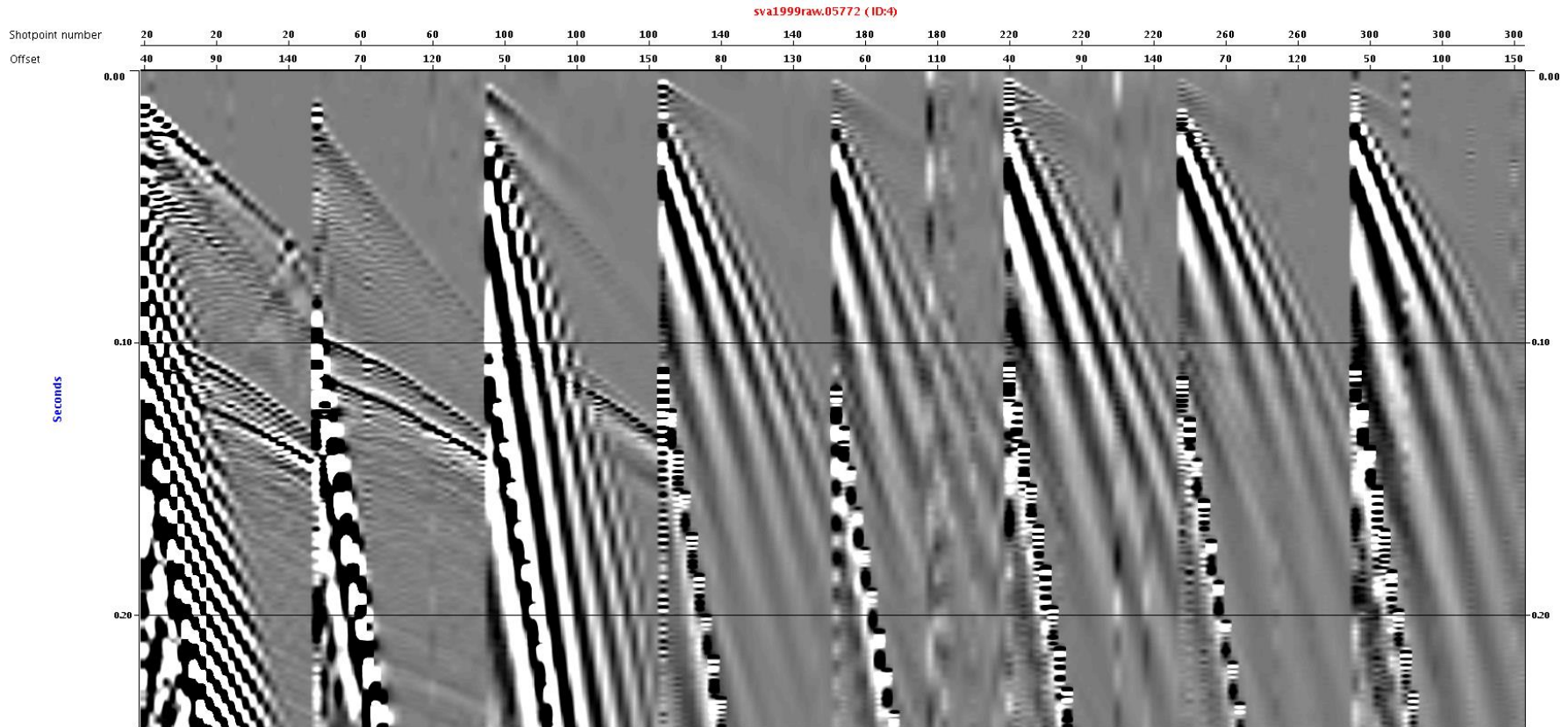




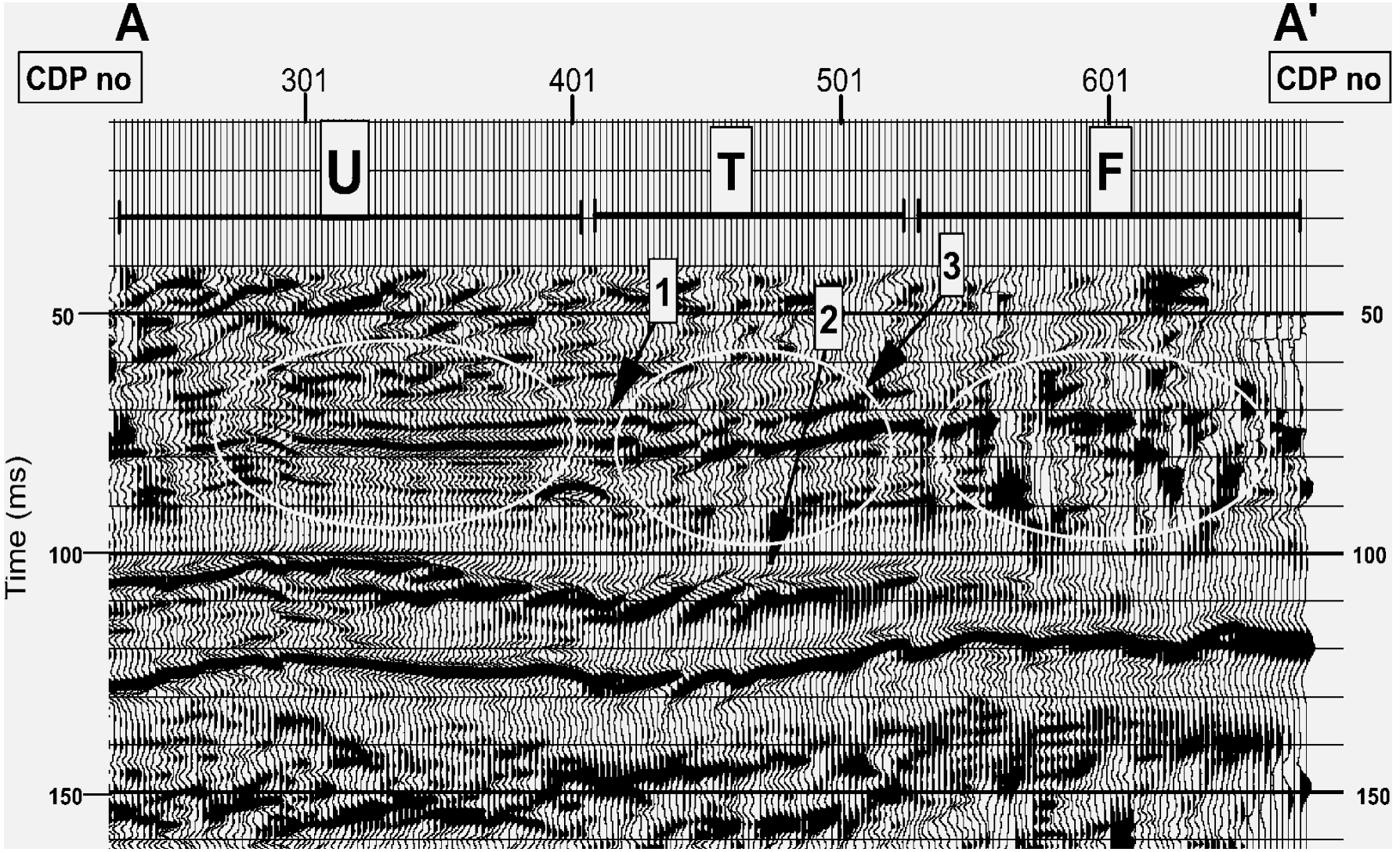




# Shot gathers (high res., single geophones)

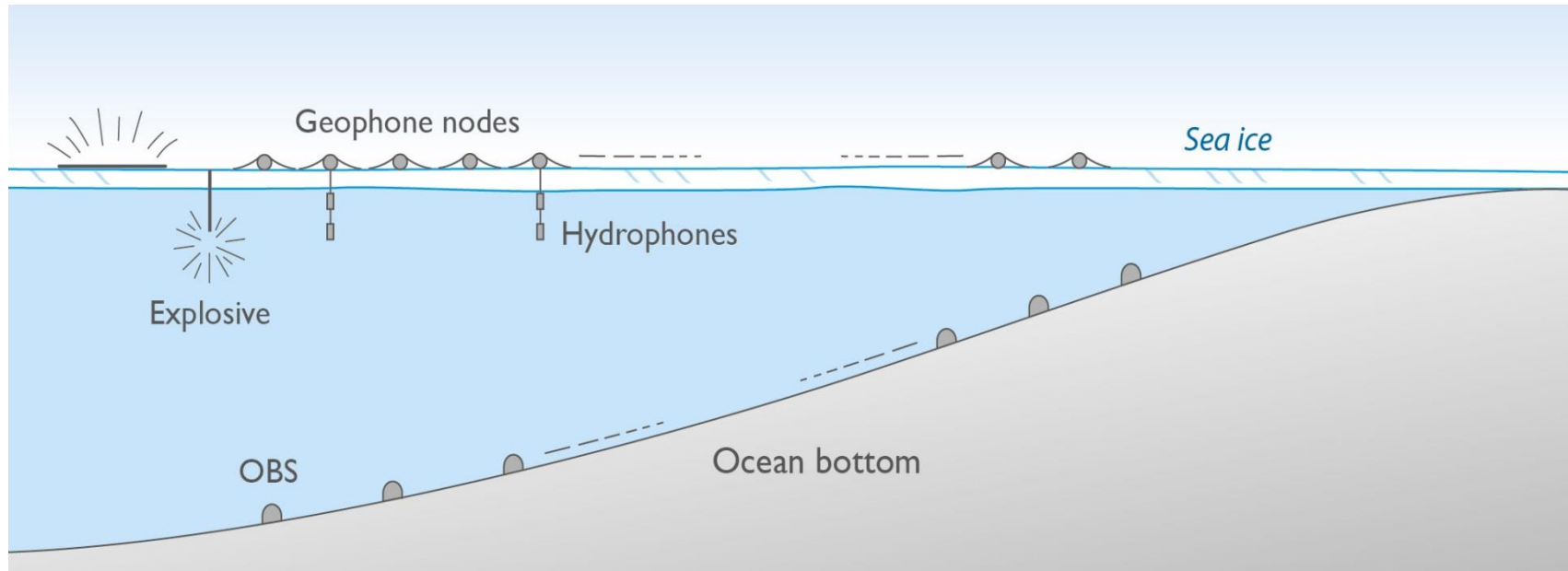


Note the changes in the surface wave and how it hides the reflections





# Experimental setup – 2016, collaboration with ENI:



- Geophone nodes with geophone strings on top of the sea ice
- Hydrophone strings vertical below the sea ice
- Ocean bottom nodes at the sea bottom
- Various shooting configurations on top of the ice and within the sea



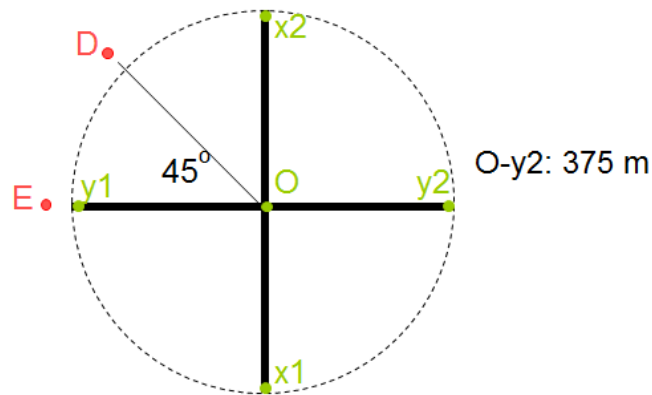


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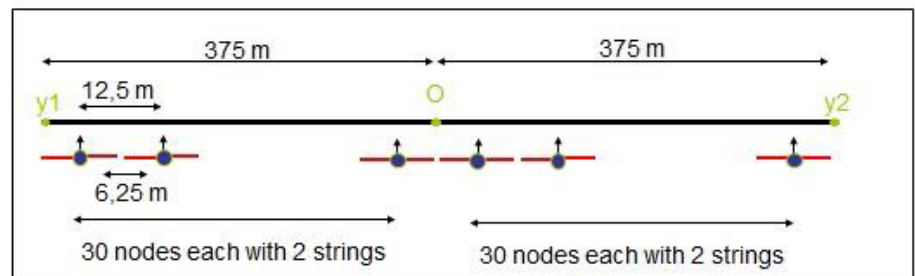
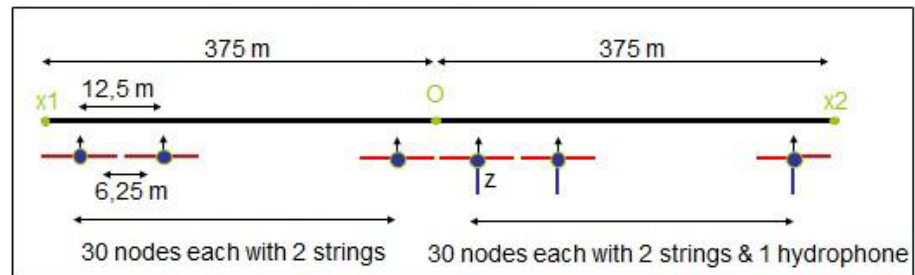
● C 1025 m  
C-X2:

● B 525 m  
B-X2:

● A 25 m  
A-X2:



Deployment geophones/hydrophones – test 1



— Geophone string (8 geophones), length 6,25 m | Z: hydrophone at depth  $z = 1$  m







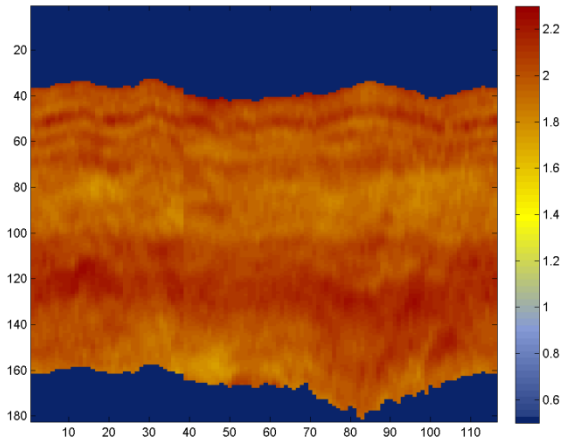




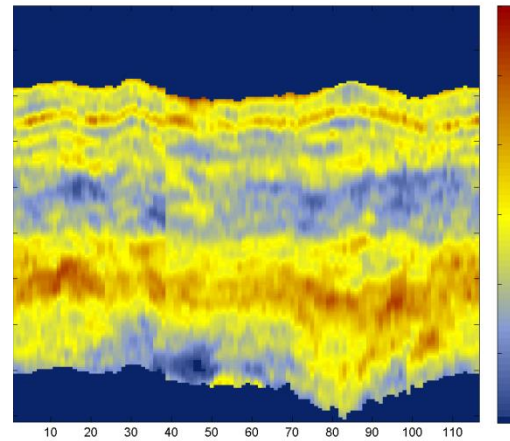
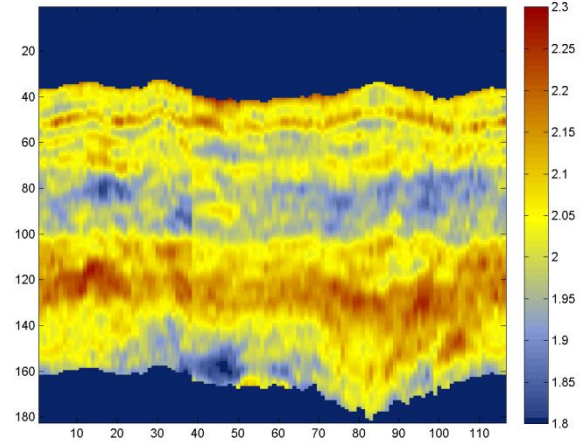
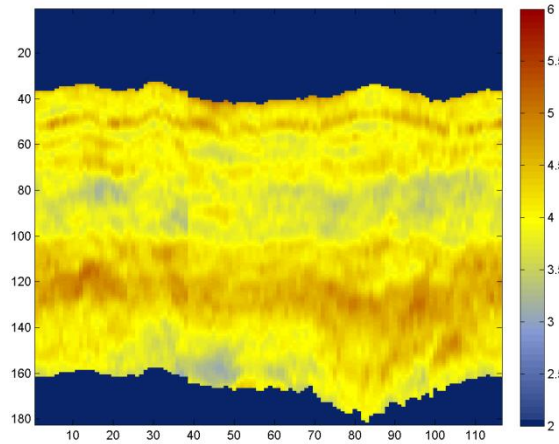
Pre CO<sub>2</sub>  
injection

## 4D analyses – inverted data: pre injection

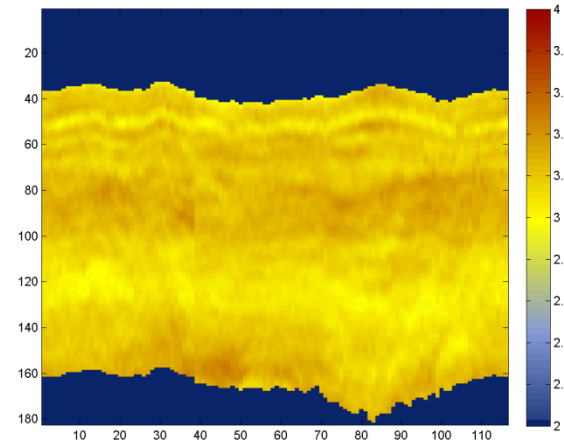
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Vs [km/s]

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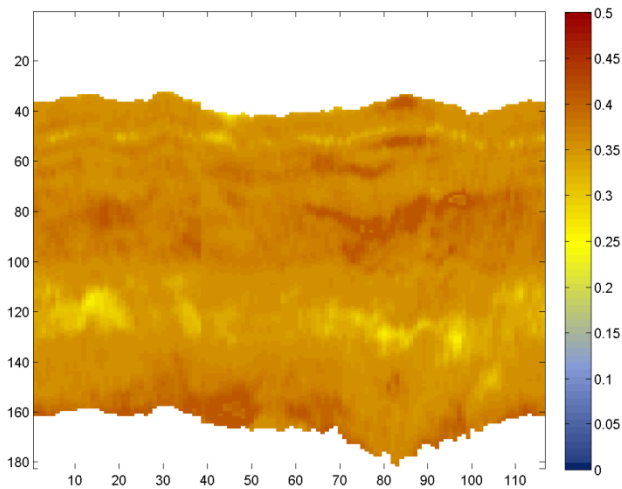
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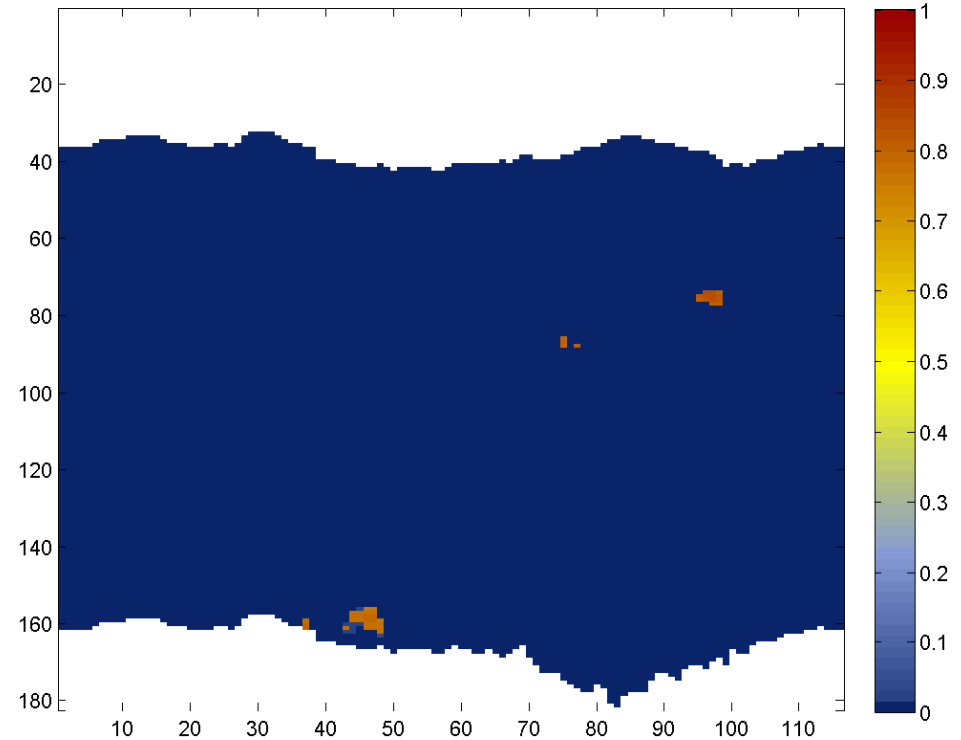
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# Estimated reservoir conditions: pre injection

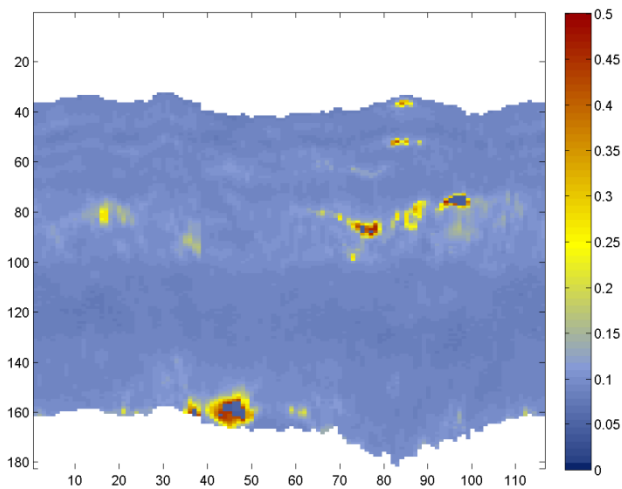
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Weighted average saturation

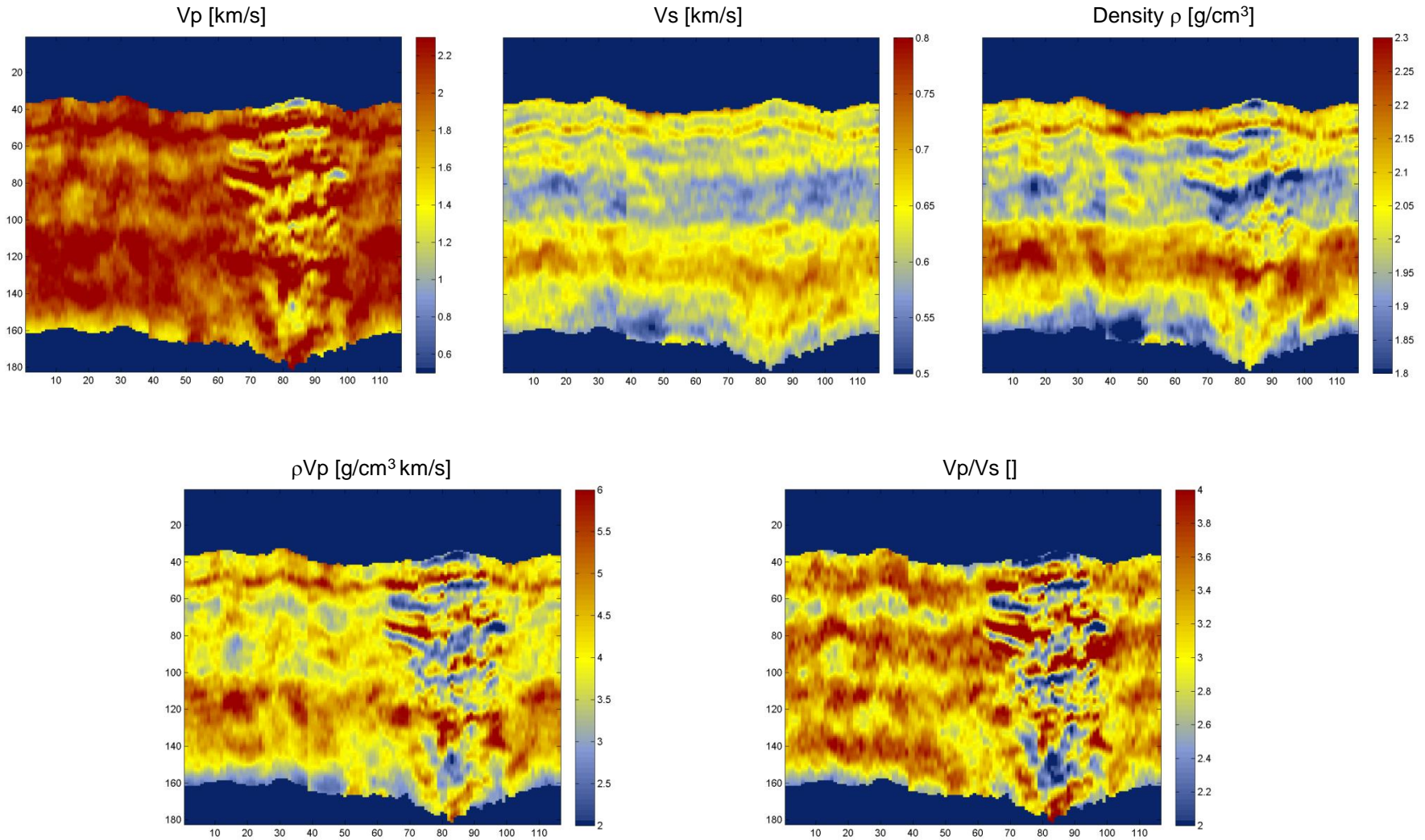


Weighted average lithology



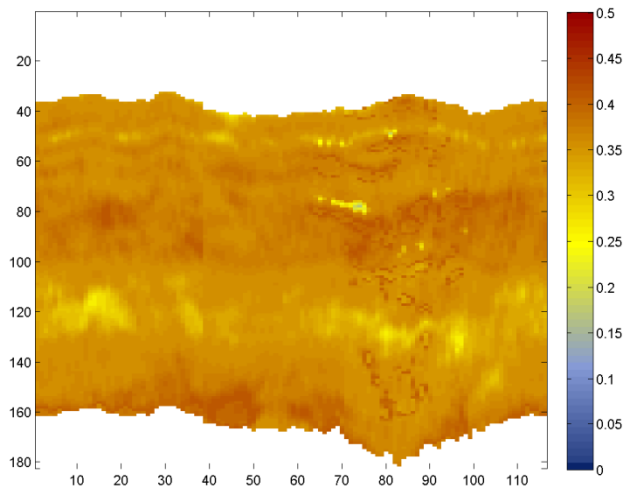
Post CO2  
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# 4D analyses – inverted data: post injection

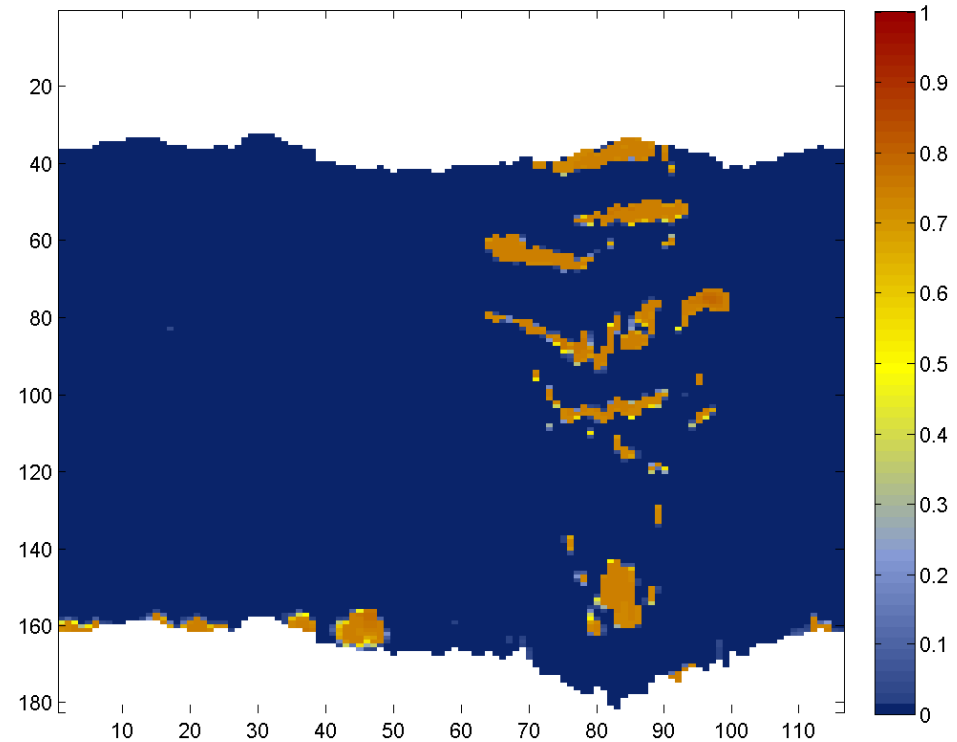


# Estimated reservoir conditions: post injection assuming homogeneous saturation

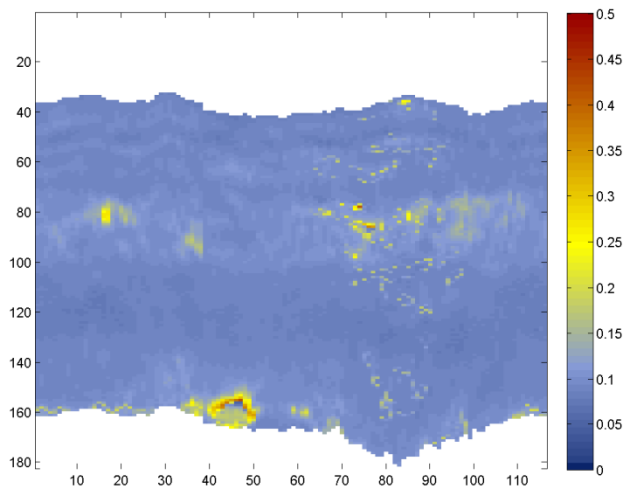
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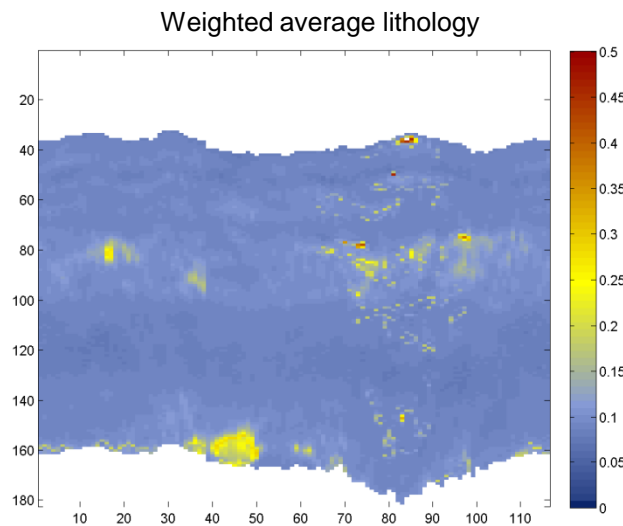
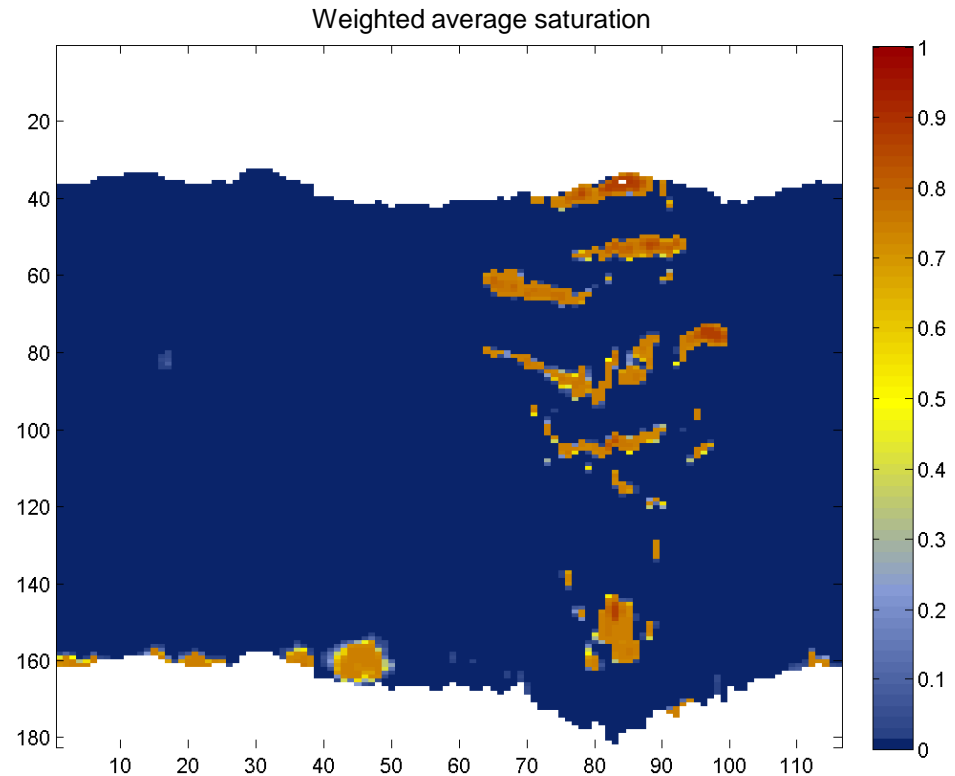
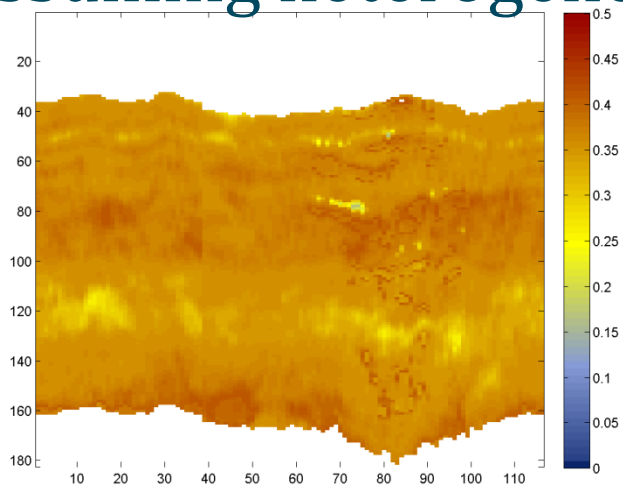


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## Introduction (3/3):

Evaluation reports of Academia in Norway:

- Join forces at the department level
- Join forces at University level –Centres of Excellence
- Join forces at national level – makes national teams in education and research



# The CASE-consortium:

- Background and motivation
- Content CASE
- Milestones for the first year
- Sponsor benefits



# Background and motivation (1/2)

- Follow-up plan for the Evaluation of Research in Earth Sciences
- Increased focus on geoscience competence building northwards – e.g. ARCEX
- Increased focus on integration of geosciences and integrated workflows
- The introduction of new geo-plays with increasing number of smaller oil companies
- Increased focus on stratigraphic traps





## Background and motivation (2/2)

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By this initiative, UiB, NTNU, UiO, UiT and UNIS has formed a strong national network in order to improve collaboration both in education and research.

Key words: common courses, students, data, projects



## Content CASE:

- Together with the industry emphasize the knowledge areas where our students need to be better trained
- Together with the industry emphasize weaknesses and robustness of various methods and interpretations
  - e.g. post mortem studies
  - e.g. AVO – the good, bad and the evil
- Encourage students for in-depth and advanced learning
- Create easy access to teaching material and consortium results
- Create an arena where students and industry meet and where the best students can perform



## Milestones – the first year:

- Establish the organization and main players from the universities and industry

Lundin, Total, Tullow Oil and VNG

- Create common data resources
- Recruit students
- Arrange the first meeting during 2015, where a permanent board is selected



## Sponsor benefits (1/2):

- Get opportunity to directly influence on topics addressed for education and research – sponsors will be offered adjunct positions
- Get opportunity to provide data, case studies and best practice solutions for the teaching curriculum and for master thesis research topics
- Get links to a broad range of external training opportunities
- Get networking opportunities with geoscientists with similar interests and backgrounds





## Sponsor benefits (2/2):

- Get access to the geoscience training system GeoCLASS, including the consortium's data base of case studies as for example processed and interpreted seismic data examples
- Be invited to join an annual 2-days springtime consortium meeting where case studies within selected topics are presented, and where industry members and master students from member universities meet and network
- Get access to petroleum geoscience courses held after the annual meeting
- Get access to course material database open for employees for self-study



# CASE focus 2015-2017:

## Activities related to CASE:

- Seismic signatures of burial and uplift
- AVO; pitfalls (ex from the Barents Sea, Hoop-area)



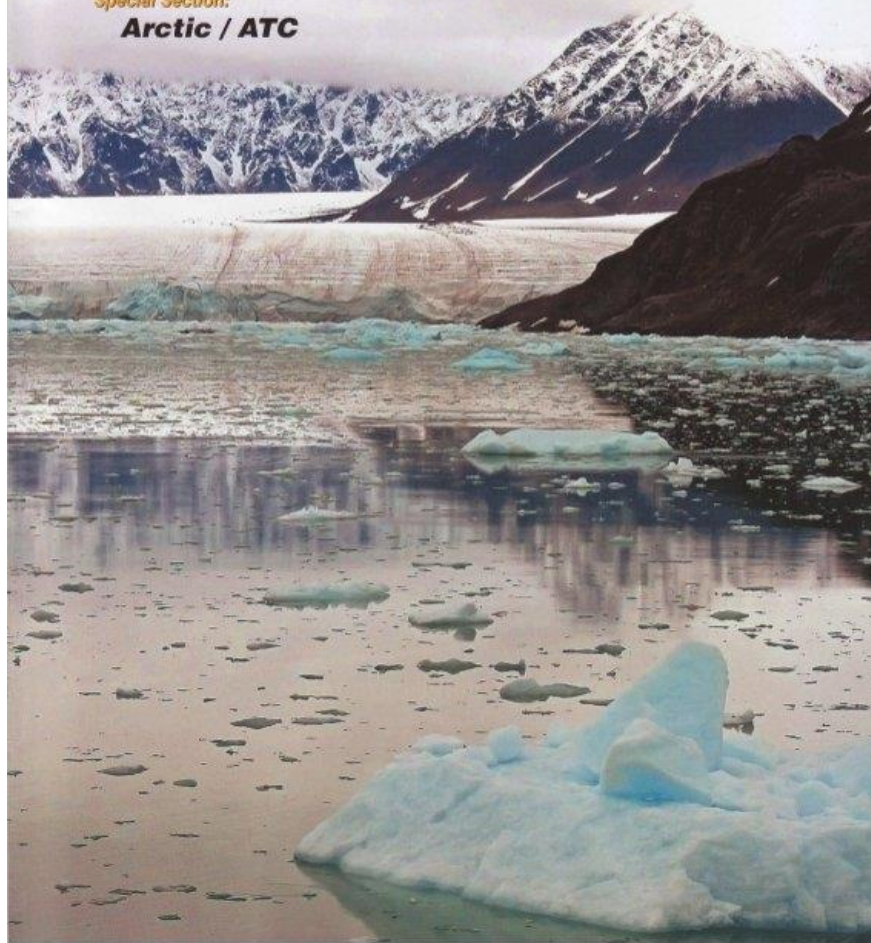
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