

# Status Report

of the

## EDGER FORUM

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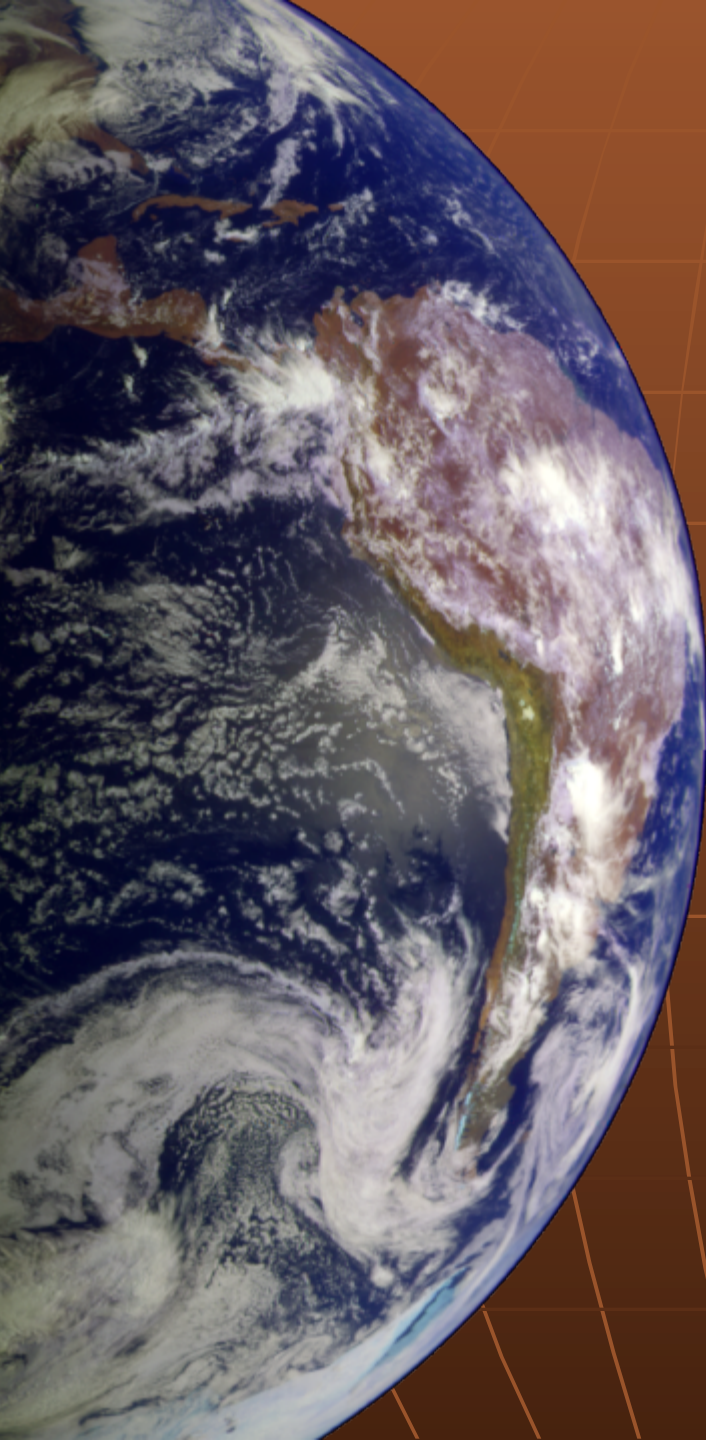
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# Forum for Exploration and Development Geophysics Education and Research

*Nurturing Education and Research  
for Tomorrow's Technology Needs  
at the Edge of Knowledge.*

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# The Exploration Geophysics Program

Leverage Industry support in the overall Exploration Geophysics Program.

- **Industry Supported Program – EDGER Forum**
- **Geology Foundation and Jackson School Support**
- **JSG and Department Support (T/A and other)**
- **Other Student Support (e.g. Scholarships, National Oil Companies)**
- **Other Research Contracts**
  - **Government and Research Support Agencies**
  - **Focused Industry Supported Projects (e.g., EGL)**

# The Jackson School of GeoSciences

- **Department of GeoSciences (DGS)**
- **Bureau of Economic Geology (BEG)**
- **UT Institute of Geophysics (UTIG)**

**An 'independent' school led by the Dean,  
Sharon Mosher, reporting to the Provost**

# The EDGER Forum

## Education:

- **Emphasizes Education as well as Research**
- **Graduate Students employable by the industry**
- **Includes Post-doctoral researchers**
- **Focused Areas of Application** offer educational context for research

# The EDGER Forum

## Research:

- Focused Research core element of the Forum
- MS Thesis projects coordinated to support larger research directions
- Sponsors coordination on MS Research Projects
- Includes Post-Doc Fellows
- **Focused Areas of Application** facilitate cooperative research with industry, student internships and recruiting by industry

# The EDGER Forum

## Forum:

**Third-party (Academic) Forum to coordinate technical activities between Industry Producers, Industry Contractors and Academia.**

- **Focused Technical Symposia**
- **Interactive problem-focused workshops**
- **Develop and Maintain Objective Ordered D.B.**
- **Focused Areas of Application** provide opportunity for additional workshops.

# Current Members of the EDGER Forum

- **Anadarko**
- **BP**
- **Chevron**
- **Cimarex**
- **ConocoPhillips**
- **Devon**
- **ExxonMobil**
- **Nexen**
- **Statoil (Brigham)**
- **Dawson (Permanent Member)**
- **Landmark (In Kind)**
- **DrillingInfo (In Kind)**



# Sponsors



# Benefits of Participation

## Students

*Professional MS and Research PhD students*

- Graduates employable by Industry

## Research

*Research Focus on Inversion, Imaging, Analysis and Interpretation of Multi-component Seismic Data*

*Focused Areas of Application provide direction for research and transfer of technology to sponsors.*

- Provide direction to Research Projects
- Continuous Access to Research Results

## Forum

*Advance technology for benefit of technical community*

- Annual Technical Symposium
- Problem-oriented Workshops
- Objective-Oriented M/C Inter. Data Base

# **Benefits of Participation: Students**

## ***Professional MS and Research PhD students***

- **Access to the Students themselves**  
(Graduates employable by Industry)
- **Sustainable supply of graduates**  
(Requires on-going support)

## **Target**

- **Minimum 18 grad. Students in Exploration Geophysics**
- **Minimum Six advanced degree graduates per year**

# Summary of Student Activities

Academic Year)	UGrad	New Gr. St.	Degrees (MS/PhD)	No. Interns
'99 – '00	14	--	-	1
'00 – '01	22	1	0 / 0	2
'01 – '02	22	2	1 / 1	3
'02 – '03	24	5	1 / 1	4
'03 – '04	27	3	1 / 0	2
'04 – '05	31	7	2 / 1	9
'05 – '06	31	8	3 / 2	8
'06 – '07	23	6	9 / 1	6
'07 – '08	17	2	5 / 2	10
'08 – '09	18	7	3 / 2	6
'09 – '10	18	7	4 / 3	7
'10 – '11	16	8	3 / 2	5
'11 – '12	17	3	(In Progress)	

# Students with Focus in Exploration Geophysics

## Graduates since 1999:

Helena Zirczy MS 2000  
Chau Ao BS (Hon) 2001  
Fernando Cerda MS 2002  
Patricia Montoya MS 2002  
Chengshu Wang PhD 2003  
Matt Morris MS 2003  
Jason Stine MS 2004  
Carmen Gonzalez MS 2005  
Dhananjay Kulkarni MS 2005  
Sharon Goehring MS 2005  
Kim Kumar MS 2006  
Chandan Kumar PhD 2006  
Jason Gumble PhD 2006  
Eric Lyons MS 2006  
Matt McDonald MS 2006  
Kathryn Young MS 2006  
Russ Young MS 2007  
Kevin Bain MS 2007  
Chris Sine MS 2007  
Samarjit Chakraborty MS 2007  
Reeshidev Bansal PhD 2007

William Burnett MS 2007  
Engin Alkan MS 2007  
Nedra Bonal PhD 2007  
Emily Pangborn MS 2007  
Particia Yu MS 2007  
Sanjay Sood MS 2007  
A. AlMuhadib MS 2007  
Ali AlJadhar MS 2007  
Tiancong Hong PhD 2008  
Dingliang Li MS 2008  
Chaoshun Hu PhD 2008  
Sergio Perez MS 2009  
Samik Sil PhD 2009  
Jonas de Basabe PhD 2009  
Jeffrey Kao MS 2009  
Chunlie Chu PhD 2009  
Fang (Fiona) Ye MS 2010  
Diego Valentin MS 2010  
Na Shan MS 2010  
Alireza Shahin PhD 2011  
Sun Phan MS 2011  
Corey Joy MS 2011  
William Burnett PhD 2011

**44 Total: 30 MS, 14 PhD.  
1 BS (Hon)**

# Students with Focus in Exploration Geophysics

## Current Graduate Students:

Jason Stevens (PhD Cand.)

Sandy Suhardja (PhD Cand.)

Vladimir Bashkardin (PhD Cand.)

Yang Wang (PhD)

Mohammed Al-Mussa (PhD)

Xiaolei Song (PhD)

Yi Tao (PhD)

Yu Xia (MS)

Terence Campbell (PhD Cand.)

Yang Xue (PhD)

Engin Alkan (PhD)

Russell Carter (PhD)

Kumar Das (PhD)

Meijuan Jiang (PhD)

Alexander Lamb (MS)

Sharif Morshed (PhD)

Kwon Taek Oh (MS)

Shaunak Ghosh (PhD)

Yawen He (PhD)

Zeyu Shao (PhD)

Jiau Xue (PhD)

Qi Ren (PhD)

**21 Total: 3 MS**

**19 PhD**

# Students in the Department of Geological Sciences

	<u>US</u>	<u>Visa</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Undergrad:</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>282</b>
<b>Grad:</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>259</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>541</b>

***Fall '11***

# Recruiting Students

2010 SEG in Denver:

*Special Session: Interaction between  
Academia and Industry*

*Dozen panelists:*

*Follow-up ad hoc committee  
Problem identified—get more  
people into Geosciences.*

*Call to action paper on “**U.S. human  
resources challenge for Earth Science  
Education and Energy Exploration and  
Exploitation**”*

*To appear in The Leading Edge this year.*



# Recruiting Students

***“U.S. human resources challenge for Earth Science Education and Energy Exploration and Exploitation”***

- Majority of Earth Scientists will retire in 15 years***
- 30-40% working are currently retirement eligible***
- 40-50% of workforce has less than 5 years of experience.***

# Benefits of Participation: Research

## Research Focus on Imaging, Analysis and Interpretation of Multi-component Seismic Data

*This includes addressing problems with possible solutions in P- and S-wave data applications and P-P and P-SV AVO analysis.*

- **Provide direction to Research Projects**
- **Access to Research Results**
- **Focus Areas of Application tie together a variety of MS research projects.**

# Research Topic Areas (Historical)

- **Interpretation of Multicomponent data**
- **Direct Shear vs. P-SV data comparisons**
- **Effects of Fluids on Seismic Response**
- **Direct Inversion of P-P and P-SV data**
- **Imaging—with the flexibility to focus on anisotropy and P-SV data**
- **Reservoir Modeling and Time Lapse Seismic**
- **Other topics**

# Earlier Research

- **Vp/Vs interpretations for Lithology**
- **Time-Lapse Vp/Vs to monitor gas expansion in reservoir**
- **AVO vs. Azimuth, Fracture parameter estimation.**
- **Full elastic inversion of P-P and P-SV data (PhD)**
- **P-P and P-SV AVO Coefficients (MS)**
- **P-P (Biot) and sensitivity to Fluids (viscosity)**

# Focus Areas of Application

- **Problems in Unconventional Resources and Resource Plays (Shales)**  
**Very actively growing**
- **Time-Lapse Seismic and Reservoir Monitoring**  
**In line with broad theme**
- **Numerical Techniques & Simulation**

# Cooperative Research Projects

Focus Area of Application	Project	Student/Faculty	Partner
<b>Unconventional Resources</b>	Bakken Shale	Kyle Spikes & Sarah Coyle	Statoil (Brigham)
		Fiona Ye (MS 2010)	Oasis (Kerogen)
	Woodford Shale	Alexander Lamb	Devon / Cimarex
		Na Shan (MS 2010)	BEG
	Haynesville	Kwon Taek Oh & Meijuan Jiang	BP
		Qi Ren	Chevron
	East Texas Bossier	Diego Valentin (MS 2010)	Anadarko
	Marcellus Shale	Sharif Morshed	Anadarko
<b>Time Lapse Seismic and reservoir monitoring</b>	Time-Lapse Seismic Response to Changes in Fluid Pressure & Saturation	Alireza Shahin (PhD 2010)	ConocoPhillips
	<b>Cranfield Carbon Sequestration Project</b>	Russell Carter	Evolving
<b>Inversion of Seismic</b>	Stochastic Inversion	Yang Xue	Shell

# 49 Pubs. Year to Date:

<b>Geophysics / Geophy Prosp.</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Other Refereed Journals</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>SEG / EAGE Expanded Abs. *</b>	<b>23</b>

**\*Expanded Abstracts included in  
Appendix of Interim Report**

# **Benefits of Participation: Forum**

- **Annual Technical Symposium**
- **Workshops in Application Areas**
- **Objective-Oriented and Geographically Project-Oriented M/C Interpretive Data Bases**
- **UT-Austin is the depository for the 4C 4D Teal South 4C 4D data**
- **UT-Austin will display GSH and O. S. Petty Museum Artifacts in Dawson Geophysical Training Center**

**PROPOSE: Working groups of sponsors and Student/Faculty Researchers on Bakken as a documented model of shale**



# Technical Workshops

**December 10, 2003**  
**Hosted by Shell**

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**Current Problems in Acq.,  
Proc. & Interp. of M/C Seismic Data**

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**December 2, 2004**  
**Hosted by  
ConocoPhillips**

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**Continuation of previous  
workshop**

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**Sept. 2005**

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**EAGE / SEG Summer Research  
Workshop—Pau, France**

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**Dec. 16, 2009**  
**Hosted by BP**

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**Workshop in Houston  
focused on Shale plays**

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**June 6-9, 2010**

**SEG/SPE/AAPG Summer Res. W/S  
Shales: Reservoir/Source/Seal (Austin)**

# Past Forum Activities

## Annual Technical Symposium

**1999- 2000 – Future of Exploration Geophysics**

**2000- 2001 – Assessment of Stratigraphic Seals**

**2001- 2002 – New Directions in AVO**

**2002 - 2003 – Seismic Attributes**

**2003 - 2004 – Successful Applications of M/C**

**2004 - 2005 – Partial Gas Saturation**

**2005 - 2006 – Seismic Response to Fluid Properties**

**2006 – 2007 – Problems in Land Applications**

**2007 – 2008 – Unconventional HC Resources**

**2008 – 2009 - Seismic Response in Resource Plays**

**2009 – 2010 - Unconventional Resources & Shale Production**

**2010 – 2011 - Seismic Characterization of Resource Shales**

**2011 – 2011 - Seismic Characterization of Producing Shales**

# 1999-2000 Direction in Exploration Geophysics

The University of Texas at Austin  
Department of Geological Sciences

## **The Future of Exploration Geophysics: Meeting the needs of Industry and Academia**

A Symposium honoring Professor Milo Backus  
And his career in Exploration Geophysics

*Monday, December 6 and Tuesday, December 7, 1999*

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Thomas Barrow, Chairman of GX Technologies,  
and former president of Humble Oil & Refining

Dinner honoring Prof. Backus at the Texas Memorial Museum  
on Monday, Dec. 6 hosted by Dept of Geological Sciences.

### The symposium will include:

Keynote Address by Mr. Thomas Barrow

Session of educational and research activities at

The University of Texas at Austin from the

- Department of Geological Sciences
- Institute for Geophysics
- Bureau of Economic Geology
- Texas Institute for Computational and Applied Mathematics (TICAM) associated with
  - >The Department of Computer Sciences and the
  - > Department of Petroleum and Geosystems Engineering.

Session of presentations from industry representatives

- BP/Amoco on 'Directions in Exploration Geophysics'
- Texaco on 'Risk Evaluation for Exploration'
- Baker Hughes on 'Resource Needs of Contractors
- GeoQuest on 'partnerships between Industry and Academia'

Co-operative sessions between industry and university  
participants to address joint needs.

The outcome of this symposium will play a major role in the evolution of the Exploration Geophysics program in the Department of Geological Sciences and encourage further cooperation among various elements of the university and with the petroleum industry.

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# Forum Activities: Petty Geophysical Museum

**Museum of Geophysical Artifacts now located on 4<sup>th</sup> floor (near Walter Library) of the Jackson Geoscience Building, UT-Austin.**

***In cooperation with the Geophysical Soc. of Houston***



# Petty Geophysical Museum



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EXPLORATION GEOPHYSICS  
TRAINING CENTER

# Teal South 4C 4D OBS data

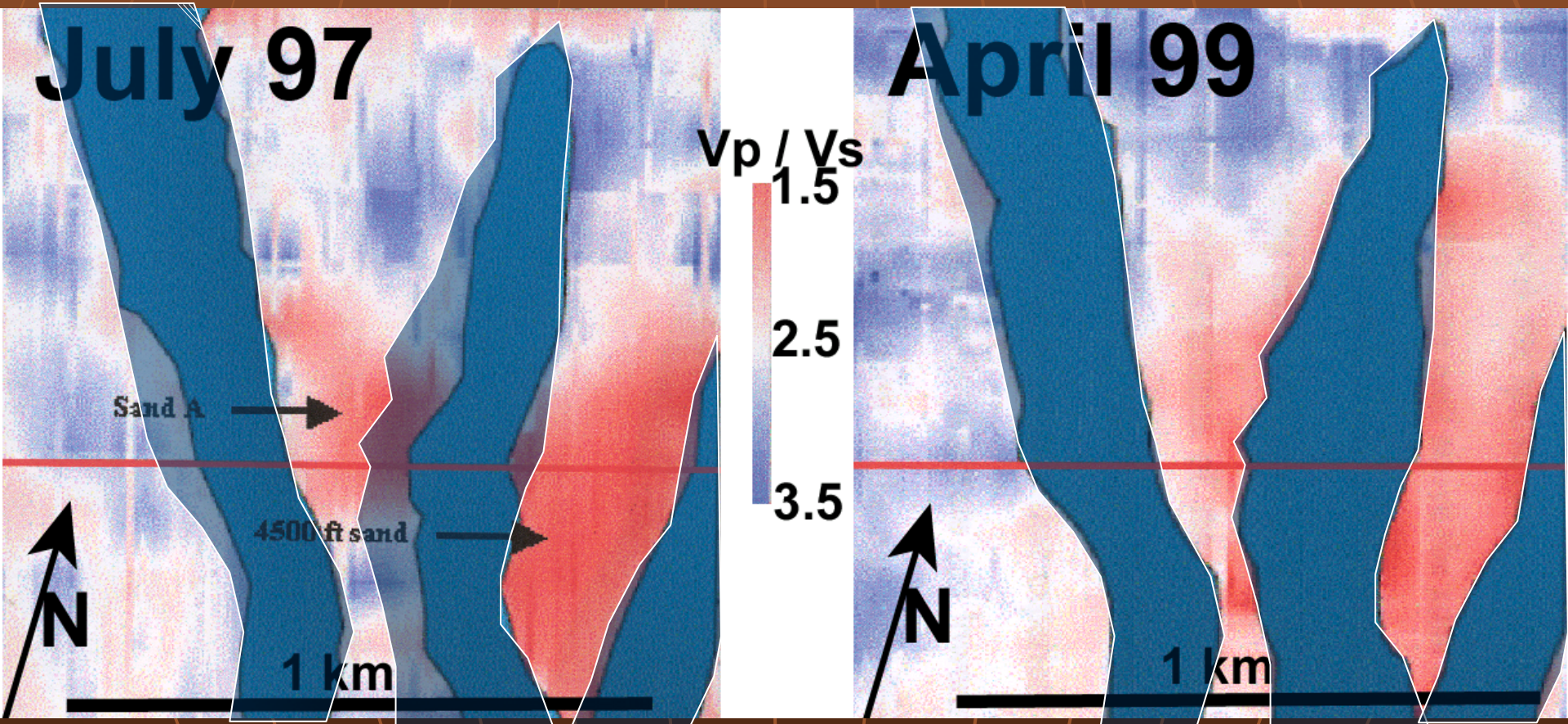
UT-Austin has become the depository for this historic 1997 data set.

Seismic Data are available to any interested investigator.



# Teal South 4C 4D OBS data

Time-Lapse  $V_p/V_s$  to monitor gas expansion in reservoir



# Summary of Educational Activities

- Five Graduate Students finished last year.
- Forum is a focus for admitting new students to JSG
- Focused Area of Application for MS Stud.

## Challenges

- Balance of MS and PhD Students
- **Recruiting** and **Funding** applicants  
(Grad Student cost is M\$ 74.7 /yr.)  
Matching funds from JSG?



# Typical cost of a PhD graduate student at UT in 2011-2012

9-Month stipend as a Research Asst.	17,946
Fringe Benefits (Health Ins.)	4,845
Tuition & Fees (12 hrs)*	9,782
<i>3-Months summer (40 hrs)</i>	<i>11,964</i>
<i>Fringe Benefits</i>	<i>3,230</i>
<i>Tuition &amp; Fees (3 hrs)*</i>	<i>3,455</i>
Misc. (Thesis copying, Travel to meetings)	3,000
<u>Overhead (50%)</u>	<u>20,492</u>
<b>Total cost per student</b>	<b>\$ 74,714</b>

\*Not subject to overhead  
*Summer Expenses*

# Summary of Research Activities

- **49 Publications since June 1, 2011**
- **Focus Areas of Application**
- **Seven cooperative projects in progress**

## Challenges

- **Balance of MS and PhD students**
- **Balance focused research / broad research directions.**

# Summary of Forum Activities

- **Technical Symposium**
- **MC Interpretive Data Base**
- **Petty museum in JGB**
- **Data Depository**

## Challenges

- **Provide more workshops**
- **Develop Working Groups w/Sponsors**
- **Balance of 'Community' Service and Forum Members interests**

***We look forward to continued  
growth and development with the  
Jackson School of GeoSciences and  
the Energy Industry***

# Access to Problem Oriented M.C. Application Database

*Value-added data base catalogue of successful multicomponent seismic interpretations from published sources focused on problem (or objective).*

*Content: 500 complete entries—target 1000.*

*Brief demo of web-accessible data base available*

# Sample Data

Field Name	Objective	Sub-Object.	Sub-Object.	Method
		1	2	
Sorrento	Lithology	Discrimination	SS/SH	Vp / Vs
Sorrento	Lithology	Discrimination	Type II Sand	P&S Amp.
Sorrento	Lithology	Discrimination	SS/SH	Vp / Vs
Sorrento	Lithology	Discrimination	Type II Sand	P&S Amp
Alba	Lithology	Discrimination	Type II Sand	P&S Amp
Alba	Lithology	Discrimination	SS/SH	Vp / Vs
Blackfoot	Lithology	Discrimination	Type II Sand	P&S Amp
Blackfoot	Lithology	Discrimination	Type II Sand	P&S Amp
Blackfoot	Lithology	Discrimination	SS/SH	Vp / Vs
Blackfoot	Lithology	Discrimination	SS/SH	Vp / Vs
Cataract Colliery	Anisotropy	Stuct. Imag		Structural
Chapman Ranch	Overpressure			Vp / Vs
Church Butte	DHI	Detection		P&S Amp
Defour Gas Field	HCI	Gas Detection		P&S Amp
Bluebell	Fracture	Param Est		S1 / S2
Donald	Gas Cloud Im			Structural
Donald	Gas Cloud Im			Structural
Empire Abo	Lithology	Discrimination	SS/SH	Vp / Vs
Horse Butte	Lithology	Discrimination	SS/SH	Vp / Vs
Lomond	Gas Cloud Im			Structural
Midland Basin	Lithology	Discrimination	SS/CO3	Vp / Vs
Midland Basin	Lithology	Discrimination	SS/CO3	Vp / Vs
Natih	Fracture	Param Est.		S1 / S2
Oseberg	Lithology	Discrimination	SS/SH	Vp / Vs
Paloma	Lithology	Discrimination	SS/SH	Vp / Vs
Prudhoe Bay	Lithology	Estimation		Vp / Vs
Second Wind	Lithology	Discrimination	SS / SH	Vp / Vs
Putah Sink	DHI	Gas Thick. Est.		Vp / Vs

	Objective: <b>Gas Cloud Imaging</b>
P-wave image from OBC data (PreSDM)	
Original	Gas cloud
Fault not imaged on P-wave data	Converted-wave image (anisotropic PreSDM)
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# Browser

## Exploration Geophysics Program



at The University of Texas at Austin

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## Forum for Exploration and Development Geophysics Education and Research

at UT-Austin

### Multi-component seismic interpretation browser

This objective-oriented exploration application provides the user with a searchable database of published examples of case histories in multi-component acquisition, processing, analysis, and interpretation. Database entries may be sorted on any number of criteria, such as 'objective', 'geographic area', or 'data type.' These examples may serve as analogs for current exploration targets or as educational resources for oil & gas exploration with multi-component seismic.

[Browse the entire database](#)

### Historical Multi-component seismic projects

As multi-component seismic technologies mature, successful projects will have been archived here. This browser is organized by specific multi-component projects organized by geographic area, date of acquisition, data type, operator and project impact. Each entry leads to a document summarizing the project and includes links to individual summaries of published resources.

[View all Historical Projects](#)

[Select an area from a map](#)

## Shear wave Data Base Guidelines

### Objectives:

Objective	Sub-1	Sub-2
Lithology	Estimation	---
	Discrimination	SS/SH
		Type II Sand
		Dol/LS
	Dol/Any	
HCI	Gas Detection	---
	Gas Thickness Estimation	---
	Liquid Hydrocarbon	---
Gas Cloud Imaging	---	---
Fracture	Detection	
	Parameter Estimation	
Anisotropy	---	
	Fracturing	
	Depth Conversion	
Shear Wave Reflectivity		
Improved Structural Imaging		
Reservoir Monitoring	Azimuthal Anisotropy	
	CO2 Monitoring	
	---	
	Time Lapse	
S-wave Vel. Est.	---	
	VSP	
Gas Hydrate		
Porosity		
Overpressure		
Processing	---	
	Statics	



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Project Name	Objective	Sub Obj. 1	Sub Obj. 2	Method Name	Data Type
Collery 1	Imaging				
Cameron South 1	Gas Cloud Imaging			Structural	3D 4C
Cymric 1	Anisotropy			S1/S2	VSP
Dara 1	Gas Cloud Imaging			Structural	2D 4C
Defour 1	Hydrocarbon Indicators	Gas Detection		P and S Amplitudes	2D P-P,SH-SH
Delaware Basin 2	Improved Structural Imaging			Structure	P,SH
Eastern Goldfields 1	Improved Structural Imaging			Structural	9C
Emilio 1	Fracture	Detection		S1/S2	3D 4C
Empire Abo 1b	Lithology	Discrimination	Sandstone/Shale	Vp/Vs	P-P,SH-SH
Empire Abo 2	Anisotropy	SS/SH Discrimination		Vsh/Vsv	P,SH 3C
Erawan 1	Lithology	Discrimination	Type II Sand	P and S Amplitudes	2D 4C
Faeroes Island 2	Improved Structural Imaging			Structure	2D 3C
Horse Butte 1	Lithology	Discrimination	Sandstone/Shale	Vp/Vs	2D P-P,SH-SH
Joffre 3	Lithology	Discrimination	Limestone/Shale	Vp/Vs	3D 3C
Kingfisher 1	Lithology	Estimation		Vp/Vs	P-P,SH-SH
Lomond 1	Gas Cloud Imaging			Structural	3D 4C
Natih 3b	Hydrocarbon Indicators	Gas Detection		Vp/Vs	3D 9C

Field Name: **Lomond**

Objective: **Gas Cloud Imaging**

Area: **North Sea**      Age of Target:

Comment:

Type of Interpretation: **Structural**

Sub-Objective 1:      Sub-Objective 2:

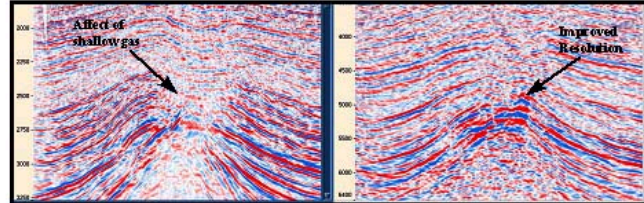


Figure (2) 3D 4C time domain processed data. Left : inline from pp data through the gas affected area. Right : Equivalent inline from ps data through the centre of the gas affected area

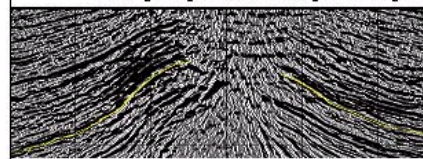
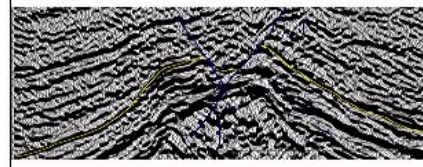


Figure (5) Comparison between a streamer seismic line (above) and equivalent ps-seismic line (below) which has been translated to pp-time.



The crest of the anticline which is obscured on the streamer line is clearly imaged on the ps-seismic with key faulting also delineated.

Resolution: **Structure**      Data Type: **3D 4C**      Date of Acquisition:

Interval Thickness:      Objective Thickness:      Source Type: **Airgun**      Receiver Type: **4C OBC**

Reference: **Pope et al. (2000)**

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# Browser

- **Interpretive based browser is developed, and content is continuously being added.**
- **A project-oriented browser is operating.**
- **A project/geographically oriented browser has been added.**

# Project-Oriented Browser

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Project Name	Data Type	Operator	Acq. Date	Region	Basin
Scipio	2D 9C	Texaco	1986	USA-Michigan	Michigan
Lousana	2D 3C	CREWES	1987	Canada-Alberta	
Silo Field	3D 9C	RCP Phase II	1987	USA-Wyoming	
Carrot Creek	2D 3C	CREWES	1989	Canada-Alberta	
South Casper Creek	3D 9C	RCP Phase III	1989	USA-Wyoming	
Springbank	2D 2C	CREWES	1990	Canada-Alberta	
Cochrane	2D 9C	CREWES	1990	Canada-Alberta	
Wildesden Green	2D 3C	CREWES	1990	Canada-Alberta	
Nath	3D 9C	PDO / Shell	1991	Oman	
Cedar Hill Field	3D 9C	RCP Phase IV	1991	USA-New Mexico	San Juan Basin
Cold Lake	4C 3C	CREWES	1993	Canada-Alberta	
Joffre Field	3D 9C	RCP Phase V	1993	Canada-Alberta	
Olds	2D 9C	CREWES	1993	Canada-Alberta	
Bluebell-Altamont	2D 9C	Lynn / DOE	1994	USA-Utah	
Sorrento Field	3D 9C	RCP Phase V	1994	USA-Colorado	Morrow Chanel
Vacuum	4C 9C	RCP Phase VII	1995	USA-New Mexico	Permian Basin
Vacuum	3D 9C	RCP Phase VI	1995	USA-New Mexico	Permian Basin
Stratford	3D 4C	Statoil	1997	Norway	North Sea
Teal South	4D 4C	ERCH	1997	USA-Offshore Louisiana	
Alba	3D 4C	Chevron	1998	UK-North Sea	
Texoma	3D 9C	UT-BEG / EGL	1998	USA-Texas	Morrow Chanel
Black Bear Creek	3D 9C	UT-BEG / EGL	1998	USA-Oklahoma	
Weyburn	4D 9C	RCP Phase VIII	1998	Canada-Sask.	
Second Wind	3D 9C	UT-BEG / EGL	1998	USA-Colorado	Morrow Chanel
Shaganappi	2D 3C	CREWES	1998	Canada-Alberta	
Valhall	3D 4C	bp Amoco	1998	Norway	
Donald	2D 4C	Texaco	1998	USA-Offshore Louisiana	
Ashland South	3D 9C	UT-BEG / EGL	1998	USA-Kansas	Morrow Chanel
West Cameron	3D 4C	WesternGeco / Seitel	1999-2000	USA-Offshore Louisiana	
Weyburn	4C 9C	RCP Phase IX	2001	Canada-Sask.	
Qatar	3D 4C	Occidental	2003-2004	Qatar	

**Alba Field**  
 Central North Sea  
 UK Block 16/26  
 3D - 4C (OBS) Survey  
 67 square kilometers acquired in 1998

**Impact of Multicomponent Seismic Survey:**  
 Credited with the initiation of a new drilling phase resulting in booking an additional 100 million Barrels of reserves

**Operator:** Chevron

**Partners:** Arco, Conoco, Fina, Petrobras, Saga, Statoil and Unilon/Baytrust

**Reservoir Description:** 1984 Discovery  
 Estimated 1 billion barrels of oil in place  
 1994 Initial production: 80,000 BOPD of 20 API oil.  
 Reservoir 2000 meters deep in 140 m of water.  
 Eocene age unconsolidated channel sands (Type II) sealed by low permeability shales. Channel system approx. 12 km long, 1.5 km wide and 100 m thick. The low impedance contrast between the Type II sand and shale resulted in poor imaging with conventional P-wave seismic.  
 $\phi = 35\%$ , Perm = 2700 mD

**Acquisition:** 1989 3D Streamer survey conducted (Used for a base survey for time-lapse studies with the '98 OBS data.)

1992 Britannia 3D streamer survey

1996 Reprocess '89 streamer survey  
 Oil-water contact defined very clearly.

April 1998 for the full field 3D - 4C survey by GecoPrakda  
 (This is one of the World's first full-field 3D-4C Surveys)

2D - 3C test surveys: were gathered by two different contractors to confirm the possibility of gather P-SV data. GecoPrakda was selected as the contractor for the full 3D survey.

VSP data show upgoing an downgoing converted waves, with some of the strongest from the top of the reservoir.

2002 Long-offset streamer survey by Veritas (Britannia initiative)

# Project-Oriented Browser

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Project Name	Data Type	Operator	Acq. Date	Region	Basin
Silo Field	2D 9C	RCP Phase I	1987	USA-Wyoming	
Lost Hills	2D 9C	KimTech	1986	USA-California	San Juaquin Valley
<b>Scipio</b>	<b>2D 9C</b>	<b>Texaco</b>	<b>1986</b>	<b>USA-Michigan</b>	<b>Southern Michigan</b>
Lousana	2D 3C	CREWES	1987	Canada-Alberta	
Silo Field	3D 9C	RCP Phase II	1987	USA-Wyoming	
Carrot Creek	2D 3C	CREWES	1989	Canada-Alberta	
South Casper Creek	3D 9C	RCP Phase III	1989	USA-Wyoming	
Cochrane	2D 9C	CREWES	1990	Canada-Alberta	
Wildesden Green	2D 3C	CREWES	1990	Canada-Alberta	
Springbank	2D 2C	CREWES	1990	Canada-Alberta	
Natih	3D 9C	PDO / Shell	1991	Oman	
Cedar Hill Field	3D 9C	RCP Phase IV	1991	USA-New Mexico	San Juan Basin
Olds	2D 9C	CREWES	1993	Canada-Alberta	
Cold Lake	4C 3C	CREWES	1993	Canada-Alberta	
<b>Joffre Field</b>	<b>3D 9C</b>	<b>RCP Phase V</b>	<b>1993</b>	<b>Canada-Alberta</b>	
Bluebell-Altamont	2D 9C	Lynn / DOE	1994	USA-Utah	
Sorrento Field	3D 9C	RCP Phase V	1994	USA-Colorado	Morrow Chanel
<b>Vacuum</b>	<b>4C 9C</b>	<b>RCP Phase VII</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>USA-New Mexico</b>	<b>Permian Basin</b>
<b>Vacuum</b>	<b>3D 9C</b>	<b>RCP Phase VI</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>USA-New Mexico</b>	<b>Permian Basin</b>
<b>Stratford</b>	<b>3D 4C</b>	<b>Statoil</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>Norway</b>	<b>North Sea</b>
<b>Teal South</b>	<b>4D 4C</b>	<b>ERCH</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>USA-Offshore Louisiana</b>	
Texoma	3D 9C	UT-BEG / EGL	1998	USA-Texas	Morrow Chanel
Black Bear Creek	3D 9C	UT-BEG / EGL	1998	USA-Oklahoma	
Second Wind	3D 9C	UT-BEG / EGL	1998	USA-Colorado	Morrow Chanel
<b>Donald</b>	<b>2D 4C</b>	<b>Texaco</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>USA-Offshore Louisiana</b>	
Weyburn	4D 9C	RCP Phase VIII	1998	Canada-Sask.	
<b>Alba</b>	<b>3D 4C</b>	<b>Chevron</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>UK-North Sea</b>	
Shaganappi	2D 3C	CREWES	1998	Canada-Alberta	
<b>Valhall</b>	<b>3D 4C</b>	<b>bp Amoco</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>Norway</b>	
Ashland South	3D 9C	UT-BEG / EGL	1998	USA-Kansas	Morrow Chanel
<b>West Cameron</b>	<b>3D 4C</b>	<b>WesternGeco / Seitel</b>	<b>1999-2000</b>	<b>USA-Offshore Louisiana</b>	

**Scipio Trend**  
 Southern Michigan  
 North-Central US  
 2D - 2C (P-P, SH-SH) Survey  
 Four 2-D lines acquired in 1986

**Impact of Multicomponent Seismic Survey:**  
 Girard Prospect identified as an analog to the Albion-Scipio field  
 Texaco No. 1-14 Morick drilled  
 Encountered 150 ft. of reservoir dolomite—Water saturated.  
 Geologic Success: Predicted reservoir encountered  
 Economic Failure: No hydrocarbons present in reservoir

**Operator:** Texaco

**Partners:** None

**Reservoir Description:**  
 1956 Discovery of Albion Scipio Field  
 Cumulative production 122 million barrels of oil  
 Over 200 billion cubic feet of gas  
 Produces from 600 feet of dolomitized limestone  
 Ordovician Trenton-Black River dolomite  
 (Dolomitization generated reservoir porosity)  
 The field is about 1 mile wide, and trends nearly linearly for 45 miles.  
 Reservoir depth is less than 5000 ft.

**Acquisition:** 1986 4 2D lines of P-P and SH-SH data gathered with Bolt Omnipulse source.

Summary of Data Base entries	Project Sheet Reference:
Preliminary Paper: <a href="#">Pardus et al (1990)</a> Discussion of entire project	<a href="#">Scipio 1</a>
Used in larger book <a href="#">Tatham and McCormack (1991)</a> Includes example from Pardus et al., and uses as a basis for further discussion of interpretation details, included event correlation and reconciliation of errors in picking P and S wave data.	<a href="#">Scipio 2</a>
<b>Users' Discussion:</b>	
<b>Last Update:</b> Dec. 24, 2003 RHT Includes Scipio 1-Scipio 2 project entries.	

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