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OCEANOGRAPHIC DATA DISTRIBUTION AROUND ANTARCTICA

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After the periods of intense oceanographic work in the Southern Ocean represented by the Discovery Investigations in the thirties and IGY-IGC activities of the fifties, it may be appropriate to review achievements in this field. Such an evaluation will certainly aid future planning of oceanographic work, especially in connexion with the forthcoming IIOE (International Indian Ocean Expedition).

Salinity observations can be used as an index of data distribution. In this discussion we chose salinity values at 200 m. depth which offer several advantages over values taken at the surface. The samples are obtained from a level sufficiently deep to indicate the distribution of deep hydrographic casts. Furthermore, until recently, chlorine determinations (on which the salinity values are based) were made by chemical analysis, and might also indicate other chemical constituents of sea water. For example, the distribution of oxygen observations does not differ greatly in its spatial distribution from that of salinity, although the total number of oxygen samples is less (about 2000 oxygen observations compared with 2850 salinity observations at 200 m.). Naturally, this is not the case for temperature observations, which in the Southern Ocean are more numerous than any other type. The figure (page 615) shows the distribution of salinity observations at 200 m.; the data sources are listed at the end of the paper. About 2850 observations were available; there may be others, but not sufficient to affect the general distribution of the data significantly. Of these 2850 observations between lat. 30° S. and the coast of Antarctica, almost two-thirds were obtained during the pre-IGY period, and about one-half of the total falls geographically into the Atlantic sector. A breakdown according to seasonal distribution of the data shows an expected frequency maximum of 46 per cent of the total falling into the summer months December, January and February. The following table summarizes the seasonal data distribution:

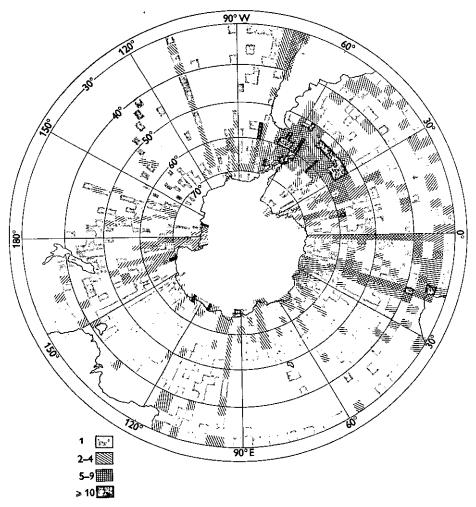
Data grouped according to seasons (oceanographic parameters at 200 m.)

	December, January, February	March, April, May	June, July, August	September, October, November,
No. of observations	1810	825	215	500
Percentage of total	46.0	29.0	7.5	17.5
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* United States Weather Bureau, Washington.

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Since 1961 more data has been collected, increasing the total to about 3000, or a little more. A survey of deeper levels shows that the total number of hydrographic stations reaching or penetrating the 2000 m. level is slightly more than 1400. At 4000 m. about 500 observations have been made. These numbers all apply to the ocean south of lat. 30° S.



Distribution of salinity observations at 200 m. Different shading indicates number of observations per unit area

The available observations were combined in squares of $2 \cdot 5^{\circ}$ of latitude by $2 \cdot 5^{\circ}$ of longitude. Different shading was used to indicate 1, 2-4, 5-9, and 10 or more observations per unit area (see key to figure). The data distribution chart reveals several important points. In general, the region of the Westerlies between lats. 40° and 50° S. (in the Pacific sector between lats. 40° and 60° S.)

is relatively poorly covered. In the Indian and Pacific Ocean sectors between this belt and lat, 30° S., the limit of our investigation, hardly any data seem to exist. Surprisingly, near Antarctica (with the exception of the Amundsen Sea, the eastern Ross Sea and western Weddell Sea) the data coverage is adequate, reflecting the activities, mostly in recent years, of expeditionary vessels of numerous nations participating in Antarctic research. This finding gains in significance if one remembers that our unit area at lat. 70° S. is only about half the size of that at lat, 40° S. Good data coverage also exists along the meridians which were recommended by SCAR (4/SCAR/Recommendations of Working Group on Oceanography (c), 5/SCAR/0-3) for future concentrated oceanographic work: long. 20° E., long. 165° E. and Drake Passage.

In addition to the SCAR-recommended hydrographic sections, emphasis might be placed on the investigation of the vast, yet unsurveyed, areas-in particular those of the Indian and Pacific Ocean sectors. This task could be accomplished on the return voyages of the supply ships from Antarctica after their basic mission has been completed.

The figure also gives some indication of the minimum number of temperature observations. in so far as there exist more of these than of salinity observations. As temperature is a less conservative property than salinity, more temperature observations are required for adequate mapping of its distribution. Also a large number of closely spaced vertical soundings taken at different seasons are needed to determine the mean vertical temperature structure in the upper lavers and its variation in time and space. It is regrettable that the bathythermograph has not been used widely in the Southern Ocean: United States. New Zealand and Japanese vessels have obtained bathythermograph crosssections, but almost exclusively only in the New Zealand or South African sector. At present, USNS Eltanin is, among other geophysical activities. engaged in an extensive bathythermograph observational programme in the Pacific sector which will undoubtedly contribute significantly to our knowledge of the thermal fine structure of the top layer in the ocean. It is urged that all vessels going to Antarctica should carry out a bathythermograph programme with a sampling frequency of at least one per hour.

Data source of salinity observations at 200 m.

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INFORMATION ON RESEARCH ACTIVITIES IN THE ANTARCTIC: NATIONAL REPORTS

The exchange of information on scientific programmes between the various nations and individual scientists interested in Antarctic research is essential in order to minimize duplication of effort, and to ensure that specialists are aware of all investigations being made in the Antarctic in their particular discipline. Although information becomes available in due course through publication, exchange of data, and by personal contacts between scientists these processes take time. In order to provide information at an earlier stage, the Third Meeting of SCAR (1959) called on National Committees on Antarctic Research to present annual reports by 30 June each year which would set out clearly:

- (1) A list of stations occupied during the previous year.
- (2) A statement of the programme of work accomplished during the previous calendar year which would enable a scientist to learn whether or not observations directly related to a particular research interest had been made at a particular Antarctic station. The reports, therefore, include lists of observations made, types of instruments used, characteristics of instruments used for certain studies, frequency of observations and periods during which observations were made.
- (8) The name of the Institute(s) or authority(ies) responsible for processing Antarctic data in each field is included in the National Report in order to put research workers in touch with sources of information with the minimum delay.
- (4) A bibliography of publications on Antarctic research published by, or in, each reporting country since the previous annual report.
- (5) A statement of activities planned for the calendar year following that in which the report is presented. This report is given in less detail, since it is a statement of intention rather than accomplishment, and it is usually possible to shorten it by indicating sections which will be continued as in

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(2) above. It is useful to include in this section a tabulated summary of investigations to be carried out at each station, with co-ordinates of stations and number of wintering personnel.

In drawing up this list of contents for National Reports, the risk of introducing unnecessary paper work was borne in mind. The list was limited to the minimum amount of information necessary to enable the reader to assess what was being accomplished by any station.

It will be seen from the following table of publications that most SCAR nations are now producing these reports. It is likely that from 1963 all twelve SCAR countries will do so. In view of the usefulness of the material presented, the nature and availability of the reports should be more widely known. On the opposite page is shown a facsimile of a typical page of the reports: in this case from report No. 4 of the Soviet Committee on Antarctic Research.

The uses of the reports to scientific research workers are numerous. For example, if a scientist making a geomagnetic survey in a particular region of the Antarctic finds that the continuous magnetometer record from his controlling station ceased for a few hours, he can, by consulting national reports, see where to apply for a copy of a magnetogram from the permanent observatory nearest to his observations. Such a request would normally be dealt with quickly, compared with the period which would elapse before hourly values of magnetic data were published and/or deposited in the appropriate World Data Centres. Another scientist, not closely associated with Antarctic research although perhaps taking an active part in space research, may wish to know whether some perturbation of particle radiation observed on a satellite was also present in high latitude records of cosmic radiation. National Reports provide the information on the types of cosmic ray instruments functioning at Antarctic stations at the relevant time. Yet another case is that of an oceanographer studying waves in the Northern Hemisphere which he believes must have originated from a storm near a particular Antarctic station. The National Report will indicate which national organization to contact, although in this case he may also be able to obtain the information from the International Antarctic Analysis Centre in Melbourne, Australia, or from microfilm records of their weather analyses held by certain institutions in all SCAR countries.

Report No. 1 was intended to cover the years 1957 and 1958, but few nations actually produced a special report as summaries of IGY activities had already appeared elsewhere.

Report No. 2 covers activities completed during	1959
and programme proposed for	1961
Report No. 3 covers activities completed during	1960
and programme proposed for	1962
Report No. 4 covers activities completed during	1961
and programme proposed for	1968

IONOSPHERE						
Station	Type of Equipment	Power	Frequency Range	Schedule of operation	Data Reduced	
Mirny	Automatic Ionosphere Station	2 kw	1 = 16 mc	Routine at 55, 00, 05, 15,30 and 45 past each hour. On world days every 5 min.	Ionogrammes	
Vostok	Automatic Ionosphere Station	2,5 kw	1)1=10 mc 2)1=18 mc	Routine at every 15 min. On world days 5 min.	High plots and frequen plots.	су

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The direction of observing program and reduction of date are the responsibility of the Arctic and Antarctic Research Institute, Leningrad, U.S.S.R.

Facsimile of specimen page from Soviet National Report.

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	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4
Argentina	×	×	×	×
Australia	×	×	×	×
Belgium	-	×	×	×
Chile		-	<u> </u>	·
France		×	×	×
Japan	—	×	x	×
New Zealand	×	×	×	×
Norway	-	×	×	×
South Africa	_	×	×	×
UK		×	×	×
USA	×	x	×	×
USSR	_	×	×	×

Publication of National Reports

Any research worker wishing to consult these reports should communicate with his National Committee. The national member of the relevant SCAR working group (see list on p. 623-28) should hold No. 4 and subsequent reports.

ANNEX

Notes for national committees on production of national reports to SCAR

- 1. Contents should comply with details given on p. 617.
- 2. Reports should be of standard format to facilitate ease of reference or binding: 27 cm. wide, 21 cm. high (printed horizontally).
- 3. National Reports should be distributed not later than 30 June in each year.

Reports should be circulated as follows:

а.	National Committees	18 copies (agreed at VI SCAR)
<i>b</i> .	Antarctic wintering stations (through	zh	
	appropriate National Committee)	1	
с.	Working Group Secretaries (through	h	
	appropriate National Committee)	1	
d.	Secretary of SCAR	2	
е.	SCAR delegate of International		
	Unions	1	
f.	WMO General Secretary	1	
g.	Secretary of SCOR	1	
h.	Secretary of COSPAR	3	
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In order to facilitate distribution, National Committees should receive a bulk supply covering the first three sections above and arrange distribution within their own country. Number of Report No. 5 required in this connexion will be:

	National Committee	Bases	Working Group Secretaries	Total
Argentina	. 18	7		25
Australia	18	4	4 or 5	26 or 27
Belgium	18	_	_	18
Chile	18	4		22
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	National Committee	Bases	Working Group Secretaries	Total
France	18	8	· 1	22
Japan	18		1	19
New Zealand	18	2	2	22
Norway	18			18
South Africa	18	8	_	21
UK	18	9	1	28
USA	18	8	1	22
USSR	18	2	1	21

Provided reports are despatched before 80 June it is suggested that the two copies for the Secretary of SCAR and two copies for each National Committee should be sent by airmail, the remainder could be sent by surface mail.

The co-operation of all SCAR nations in complying with these suggestions will considerably increase the already evident value of these reports. Many nations are to be congratulated on the excellent reports they produce, but all are requested to examine the details given above to ensure they are not omitting any useful factor.

WORKING GROUP ON GLACIOLOGY

The Working Group on Glaciology met in Obergurgl on 14 to 21 September after the Commission of Snow and Ice Symposium on the variations of the régime of existing glaciers. On the 19th and 20th a number of glaciologists who had attended the symposium joined members of the Working Group in discussions covering the following points:

(a) Techniques of the measurement of ice thickness in polar regions, the assessment of existing methods and possible new developments; (b) measurement of accumulation and ablation; (c) Measurement of glacier discharge; (d) chemistry of ice; (e) the utilization of isotopes in glaciological investigations; (f) techniques of deep drilling; (g) a general glaciological discussion.

The Working Group itself met on 21 September; the following were present: G. de Q. Robin, chairman; C. Lorius, secretary; A. Bauer, C. R. Bentley, W. de Breuck, W. O. Field, J. Jacka, O. Liestøl, E. Picciotto, O. Schauer, P. A. Shumsky.

The Working Group made the following recommendations to SCAR; these will be discussed at the Seventh Meeting in September 1963:

Bearing in mind the glaciological programmes of the National Committees, the Working Group on Glaciology feels that more attention should be given to the following:

Locations of measurements

1. Determination of the direction of flow lines and position of ice divides. The use of surface strain networks for determination of flow lines and study of surface topography for the location of ice divides is recommended.

2. Measurements in strips along flow lines or ice divides in all fields of glaciological study.

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Accumulation studies

3. (a) The need for further determination of the 1952-53 layer by detecting the presence of radioactive debris from the first thermonuclear test. These determinations should be carried out at locations where the stratigraphy is known in order to test the method and annual samples of at least 1 kg. down to about the 1945 level are required.

(b) The establishment of reference horizons at the present level (wires, strings, etc.).

(c) Studies of the microparticle content of ice cores to determine earlier reference horizons.

Nuclear and chemical methods

4. Application of nuclear methods (mainly stable isotope variations and radioactive decay) to glaciological problems.

For this purpose more well-equipped laboratories and trained scientists are required in view of the great number of Antarctic samples already available and likely to be collected in the near future.

5. The need for studies of the geographical distribution of chemical and isotopic content of Antarctic ice. The opportunities for collection by traverse parties should be borne in mind.

Ice thickness determinations*

6. Comparative trials of different methods of ice thickness determinations. In particular comparative trials between seismic, electrical, radio, and gravity methods would be welcomed.

Deep drilling applications

7. Development or methods of deep drilling and coring.

8. Development of methods of measurement of strain rate in deep bore holes.

Ice discharge[†]

9. The methods employed by Soviet glaciologists in Antarctica, in which morphological features shown on air photographs have been used to determine ice velocities. Early publication of details of these methods would be welcomed.

Complementary zones of studies

10. The need for studies of the changing characteristics of glaciers along the islands of the Scotia Arc in relation to conditions in the Southern Andes of South America to determine glacial-meteorological relationships, present and past behaviour, and other glaciological characteristics.

Distribution of information

11. The continuing need for the exchange of publications and data. Summarized information on results of tests mentioned in *Resolutions* VI Gl6-3a, 3c, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, should be distributed as soon as possible.

National Committees are asked to draw the attention of organizations interested in Antarctic research to the possibility of publishing short notes or new results and techniques in the SCAR Bulletin.

12. Individuals or organizations holding translations into western languages of Russian or Japanese papers on Antarctic glaciology which they are prepared to make available to other users are requested to inform the Secretary of SCAR, who will notify National Committees.

* See also Recommendation V. G1-4 (SCAR Bulletin, No. 10, p. 145).

† See also report to working group on Geodesy and Cartography (SCAR Bulletin, No. 10, p. 144).

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