SIMBIOS Contract Status Review

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SIMBIOS Project Office provides technical, management and coordination support to the Program

GSFC Procurement Office

- 19 contracts in place and 1 contract closed
- 2 interagency agreements
- 20 third year "options" executed

US SIMBIOS Team

- all but 2 investigations were evaluated as good or better
- deliverables and SOW were clearly defined

SIMBIOS 1999 Contracts

- I. Ocean Bio-optical and Sensor Characterization Studies
 - W. Balch (Bigelow Lab.)
 - J. Brock (NOAA- CSC) **
 - C. Brown (USGS) **
 - D. Capone (U. of Southern California)
 - K. Carder (U. South Florida)
 - F. Chavez (Monterey Bay Aquarium Res. Inst.)
 - G. Cota (Old Dominion U.)
 - T. Dickey (U. of California/Santa Barbara)
 - R. Frouin (Scripps Inst. Oceanography)
 - G. Mitchell (Scripps Inst. of Oceanography)
 - J. Mueller (San Diego State U.)
 - F. Müller-Karger (U. South Florida)

- D. Siegel (U. of California/Santa Barbara)
- A. Subramaniam (U. of Southern California)
- R. Zaneveld (Oregon State U.)
- II. Data Merger Studies
 - W. Gregg (NASA)
 - D. Siegel (U. of California/Santa Barbara)
- III. Atmospheric Correction Studies
 - B. Chen (Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken)
 - P. Flateau (Scripps Inst. of Oceanography)
 - M. Wang (UMD/Baltimore)
 - M. Miller (Brookhaven National Lab.) **
 - J. Porter (U. of Hawaii)
 - K. Stamnes (Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken)

** Interagency agreements

Two formal contract evaluations were done from November 1998 to June 1999

Performance evaluation categories:

Quality

- data completeness
- ancillary information provided on the data (metadata)
- the data's usefulness in relation to SIMBIOS goals, i.e., calibration, validation, and algorithm development
- quality of technical reports.

Time

 data and documentation (monthly, year-end reports, and special topic publications) delivery times.

Other

- scientific publications and scientific achievements
- science team collaboration and involvement
- other significant events occurring during the contract period evaluation.

Price

 this evaluation is not relevant because all the contracts in placed are firm-fixed price (FFP)

Evaluation Key: Poor/unsatisfactory, satisfactory, good, very good & excellent

→142 Cruises sponsored and supported by SIMBIOS. Some cruises like "INDONEX" lasted several months

September-December, 1997 = 48 January-December, 1998= 70 January-July, 1999= 23

→ SIMBIOS data-sets submitted to SeaBASS January 1997-July 1999

4644 optical profiles, 1586 chlorophylls, 312 pigments, 2151 fluorescences, 761 AOT measurements, 84 PAR

→Mooring data:

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- BTM 8 08/08/97 - 11/20/97

- BTM 9 11/27/97 - 03/31/98

- BTM 10 11/12/98 - 03/18/99

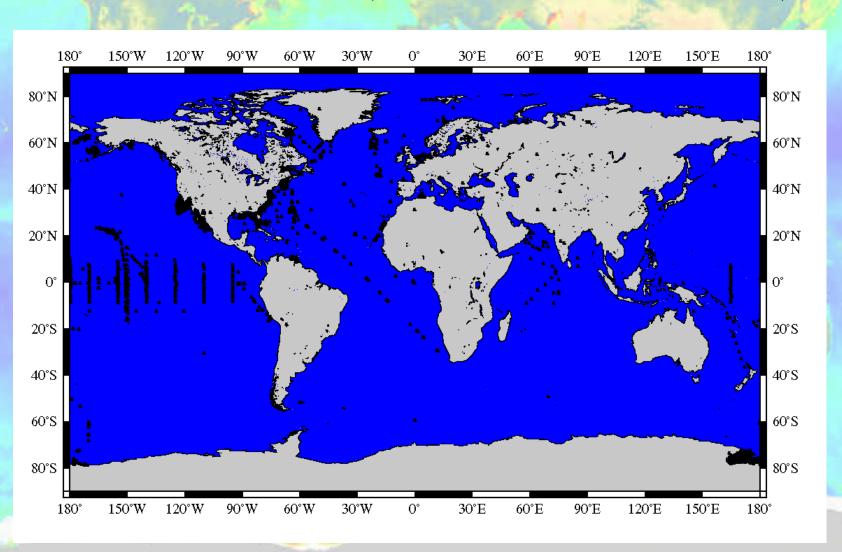
- BTM 11 04/02/99 - 07/21/99

- BTM 12 08/05/99-present
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-EP1, EP2 11/14/97-present
-M 1, M2 08/06/97-05/27/99
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- → 5000 miles of underway data 1998 (11 ferries)
- more details in Jeremy's, Sean's and Christophe's presentations

A Total of 7962 ship measurements in SeaBASS (about 80% are after 1997)



- Implemented content and structural changes in the monthly and year-end reports
- First "SIMBIOS Project 1998 Annual Report"
 NASA/TM-1999-208645, 105 pp

SIMBIOS has chosen to have all documents easily available on the web

- Website redesigned and reorganized
- * news and information

Calendar, abstracts, special topics and other documents

* support services and schedules

On-board LAC request, overflight predictions and real time support

* project status

Team and Project monthly and year-end reports and SIMBIOS TM

* instrument pool

Calibration history, schedules and requests

http://simbios.gsfc.nasa.gov

from February 1999 over 800 monthly logins to website

• The Project has implemented a closer partnership with the team: Project staff has and will be joining team cruises

better understanding of collected data, methods used, terminology used in the log, possible issues & problems

This year we were out at sea with Carder, Clark, Siegel and Zibordi next cruise in October with Mueller-Karger

Project Office Action Items

- Collection of SIMBIOS Science Team and Project Office abstracts and presentations done during 1998-1999, NASA TM (contributions due by September 27 1999)
- SIMBIOS Project 1999 Annual Report NASA TM (contributions due by October 22 1999)
- Plan to execute HPLC/FL pigment round-robins: Winter-Spring 2000

Project Office Action Items

- SeaBASS: data / metadata
 - Bio-optical and atmospheric measurement protocols
 - Review of presently archived bio-optical ad atmospheric parameters collected (standardize units etc.)
 - Improved database query capability (band range, connect bio-optical and atmospheric measurements, etc.)
 - Improve data status (first submission, resubmission with error tracking and final data)
 - Improve metadata field (cruise information, etc.)

Team Areas for Improvement

- Match-up effort: water-atmosphere-satellite
- Cruise information
- Improving information across the Team
- Timely submission and enhanced quality of monthly web reports
- Notify Project of PI publications / presentations
- Standardize SIMBIOS/NASA acknowledgement