

Nagaoka Post-injection Monitoring Update and Recent Research Activities in Japan

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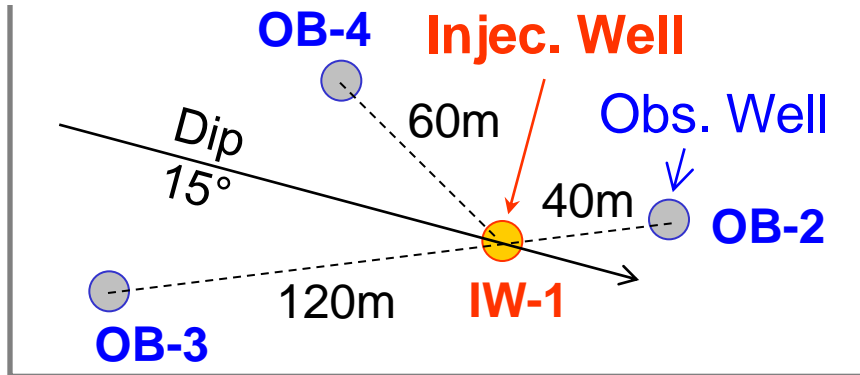
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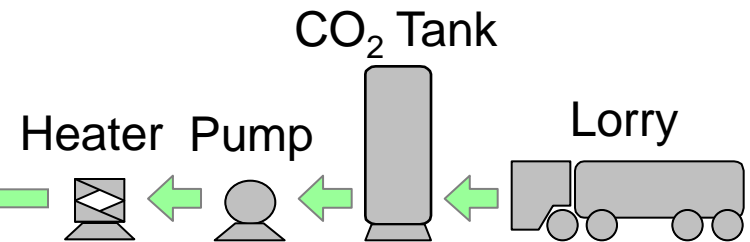
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Nagaoka Pilot-scale Injection Test

Well Configuration at the Reservoir Depth

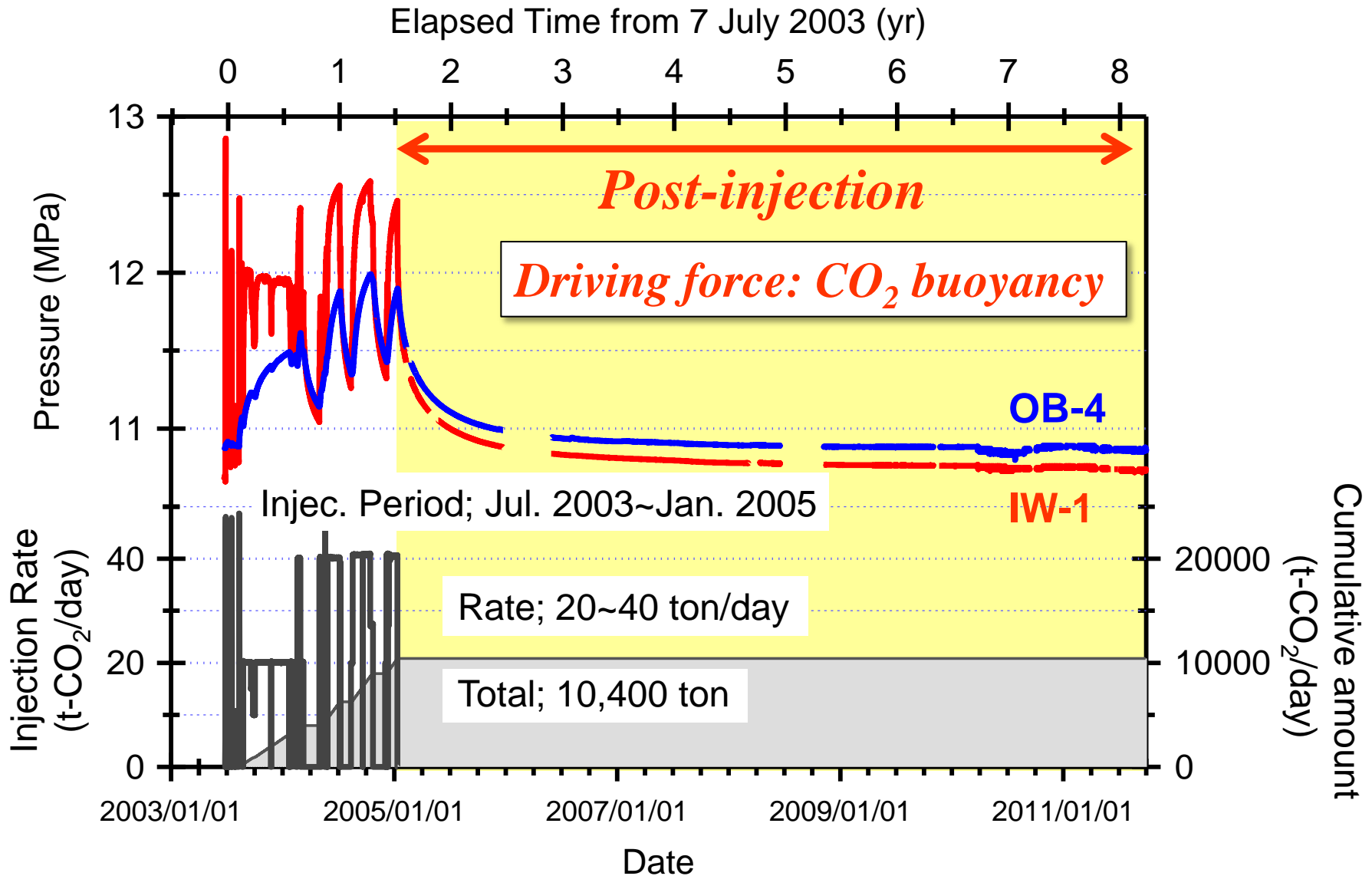


- Injec. Period; Jul. 2003~Jan. 2005
- Total amount; 10,400 ton CO₂
- Rate; 20~40 ton/day

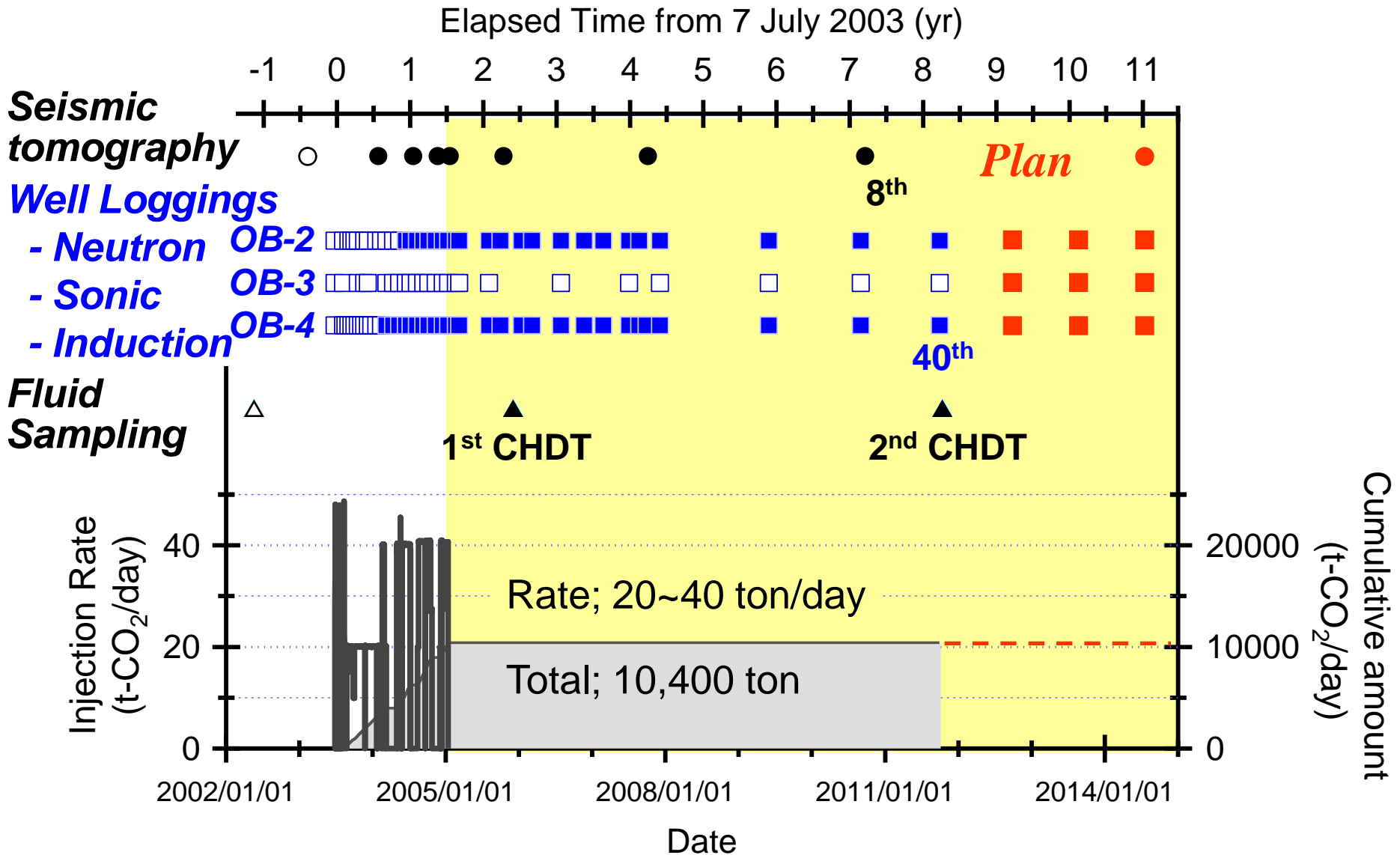


- Reservoir: Haizume Formation (Pleistocene Sand, 60m-thick)
- Injec. Layer: Zone 2, 12m-thick
- Porosity: 23%
- Permeability: ave. 7mD (Pump-test)
- Conditions: 48°C, 11MPa

Injection History and Pressure Response



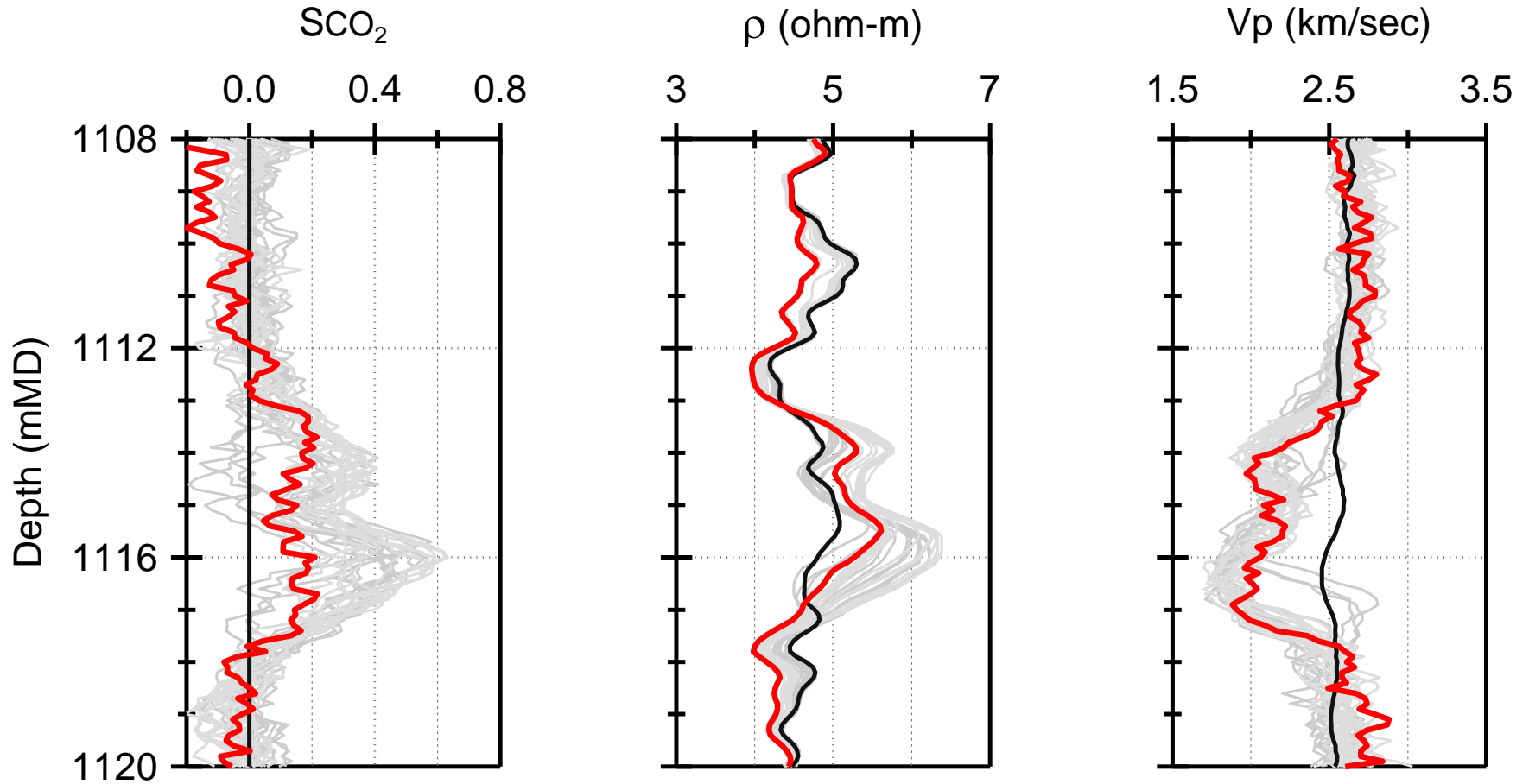
Performance & Plan of Post-injection Monitoring



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Well logging results at OB-2

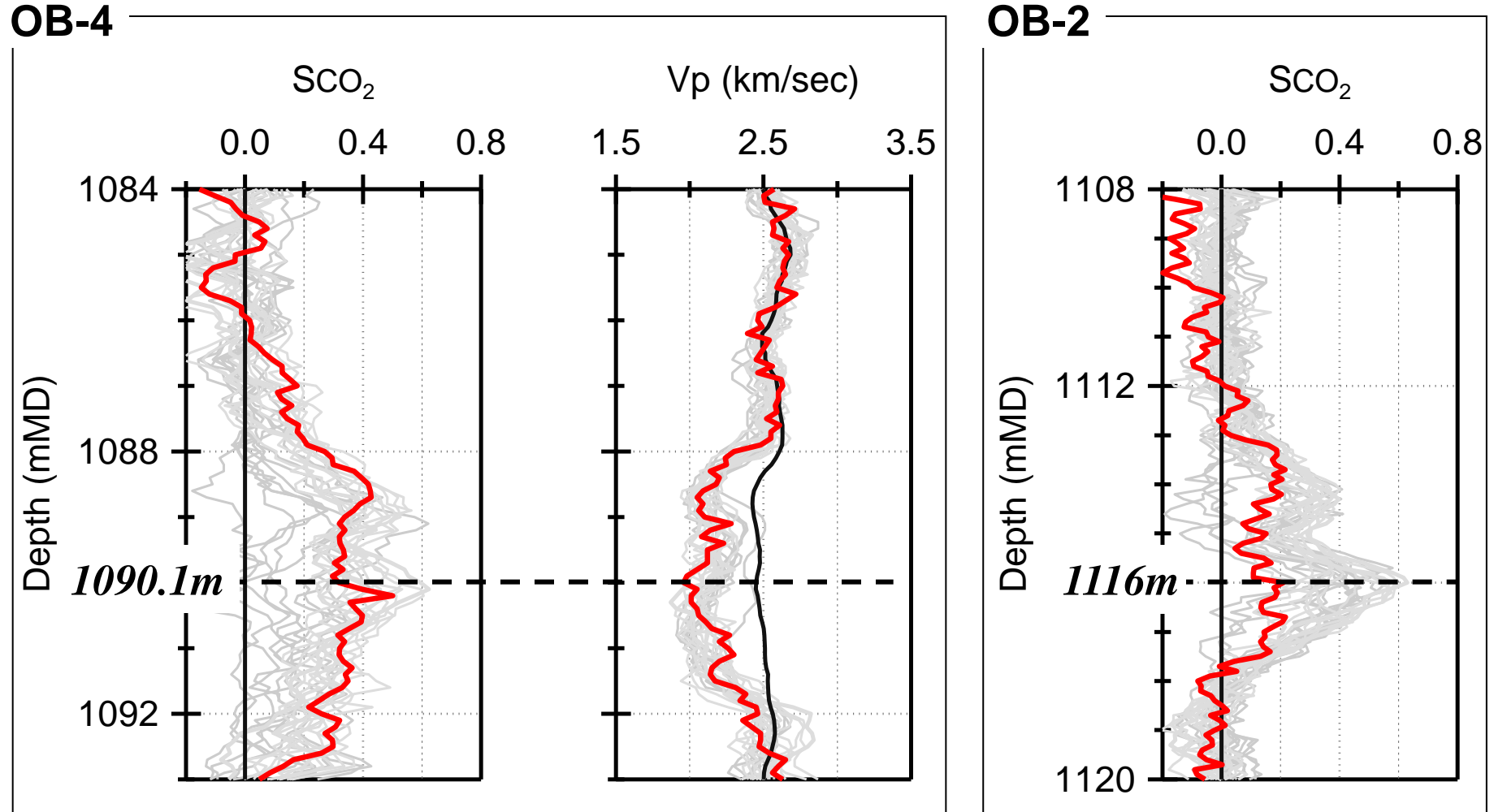


— Base line, ave. of 1-13th

— Latest, 40th (2011.9)

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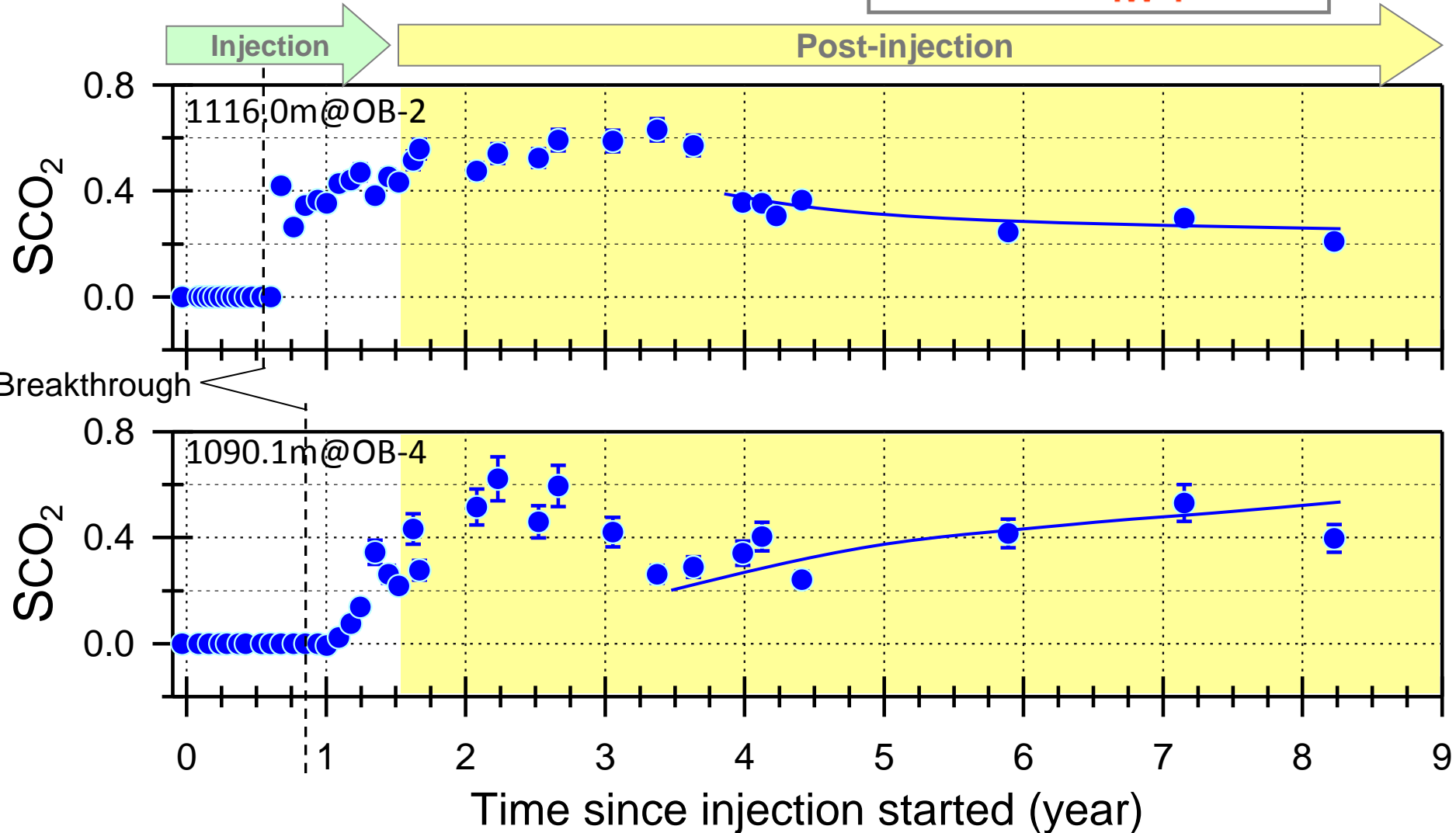
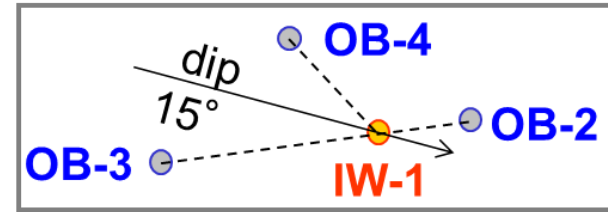
Well logging results at OB-4



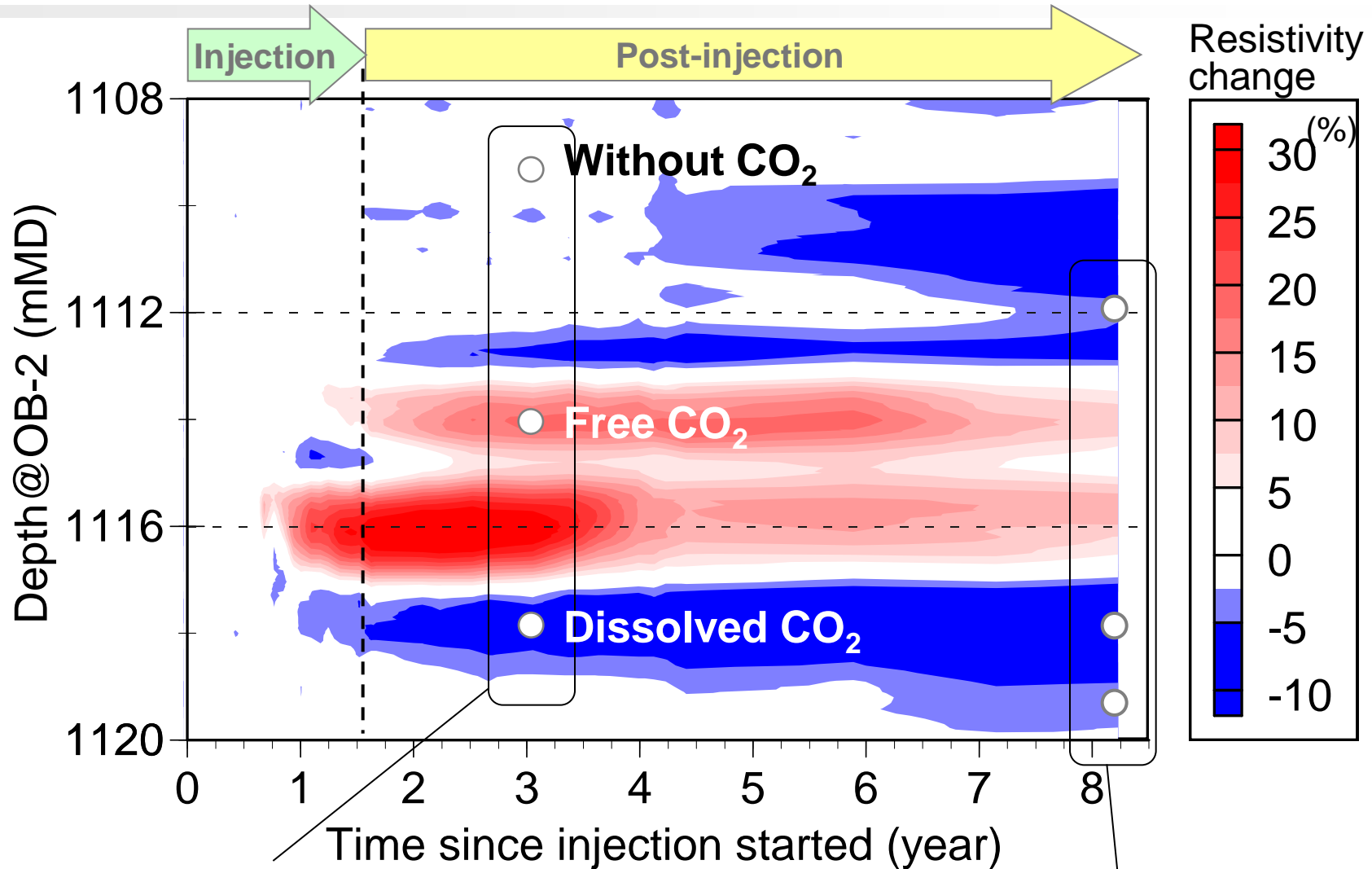
— Base line, ave. of 1-16th $SC_{O_2} = (NLP_{BL} - NLP_n) / NLP_{BL}$

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CO₂ Saturation Changes at OB-2 & OB-4



Resistivity Change and Formation Fluid Sampling at OB-2



1st CHDT sampling
(Cased Hole Dynamics Tester)

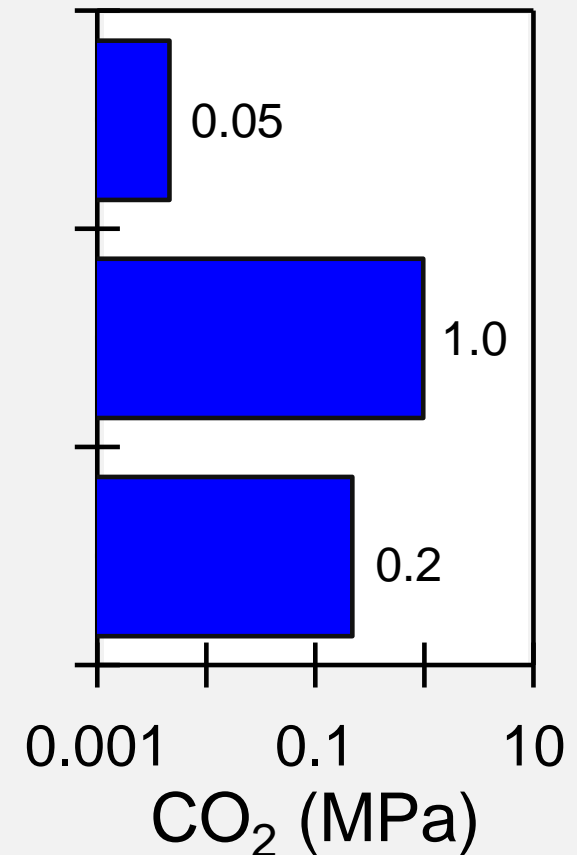
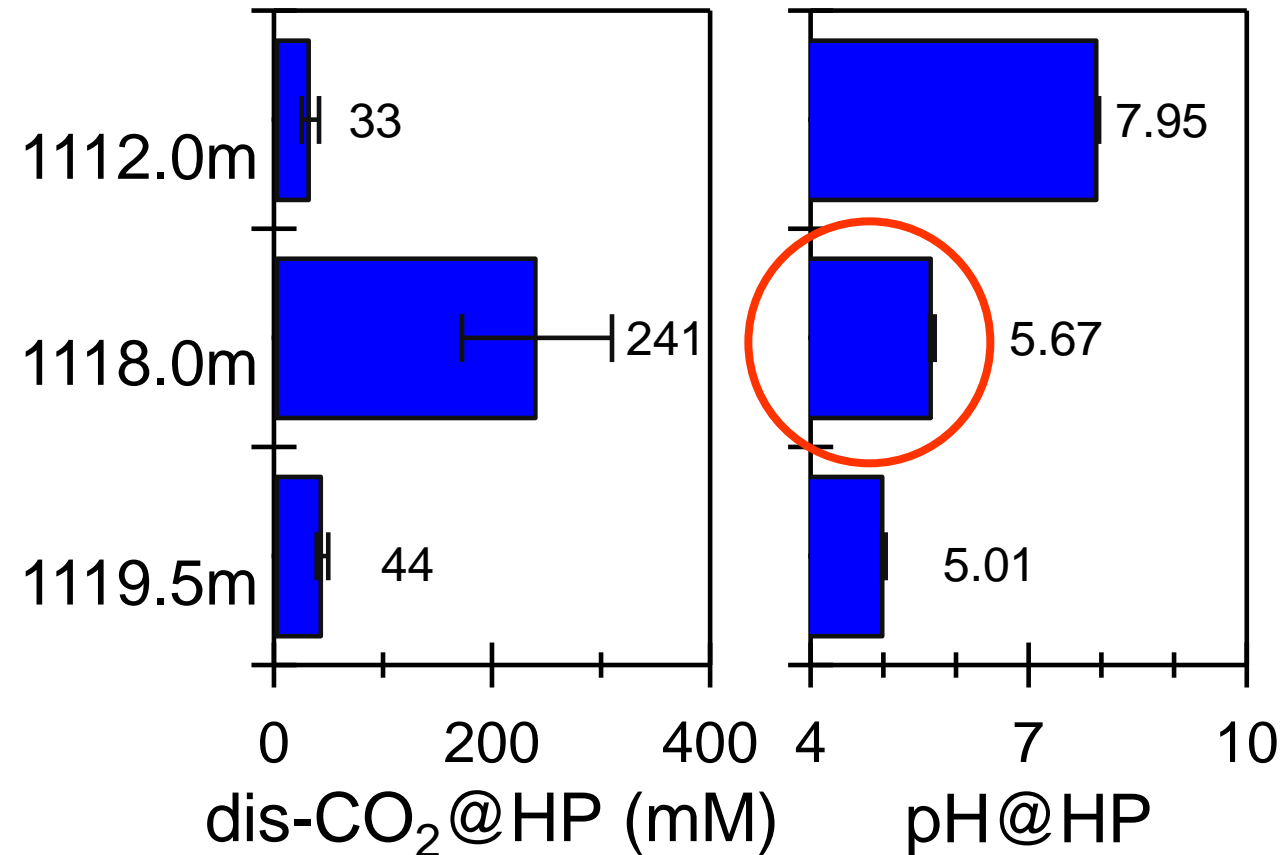
2nd CHDT sampling

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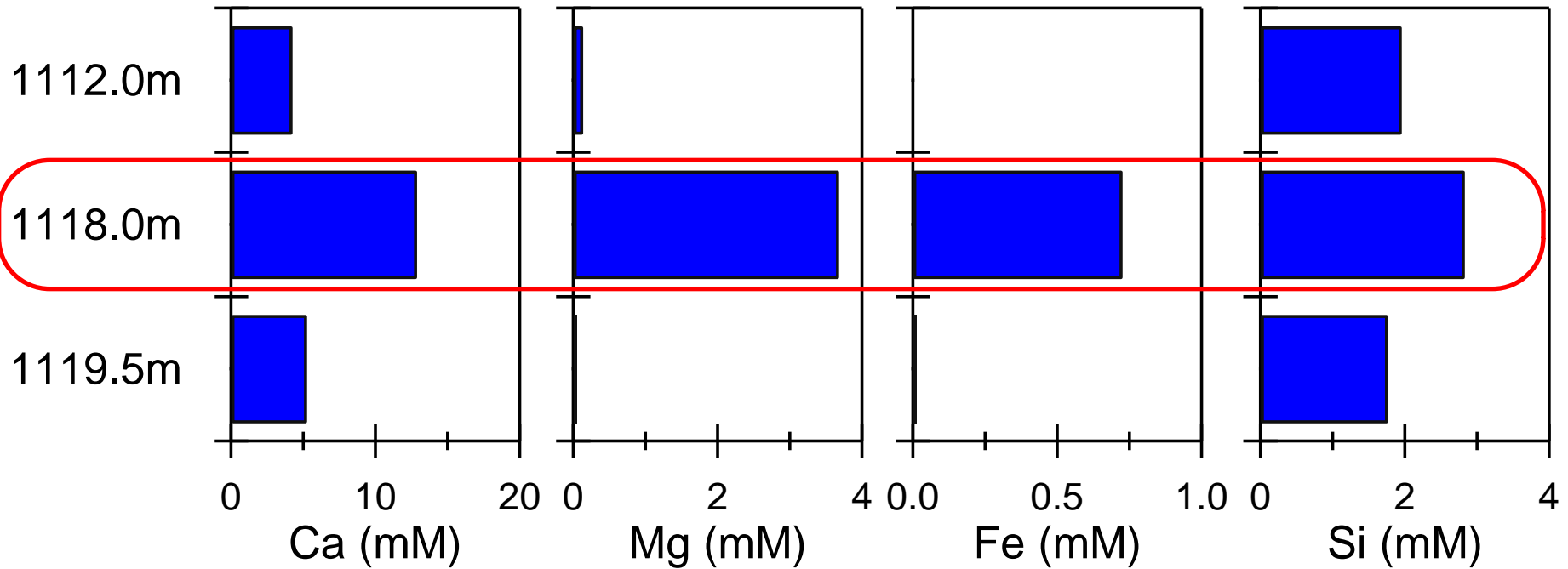
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Successful measurement of dis-CO₂ & pH under high pressure condition

Partial pressure
at the reservoir depth



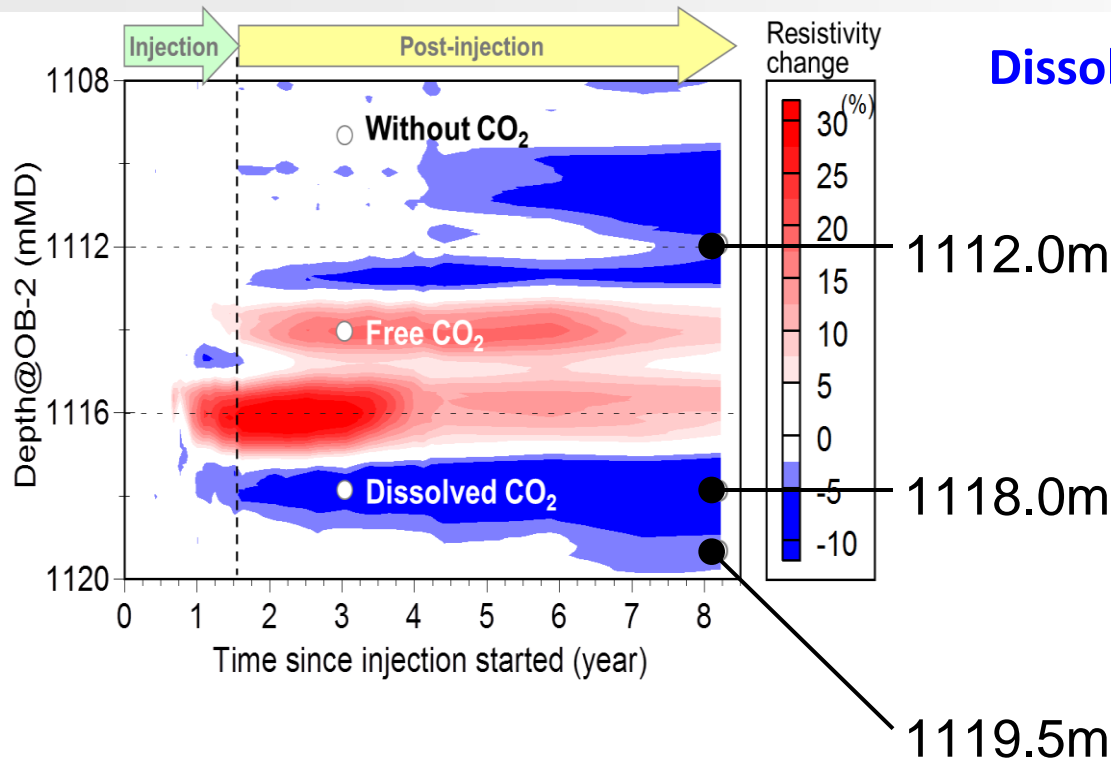
Dissolution of Minerals



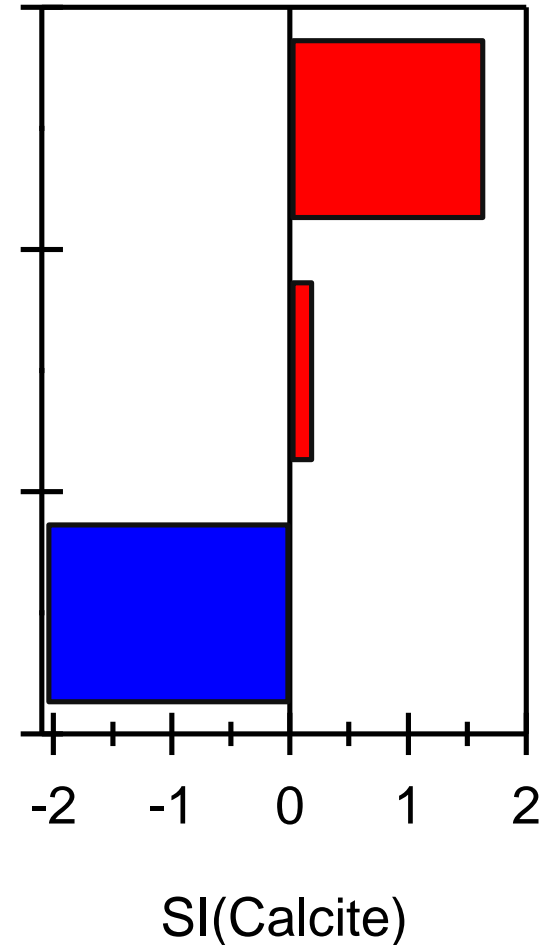
Concentrations of Ca, Mg, Fe and Si in fluid sample at 1118.0m are much higher than other two depths.

→ *Neutralization of pH by mineral dissolution*

Saturation Index (SI) of Calcite (CaCO_3)



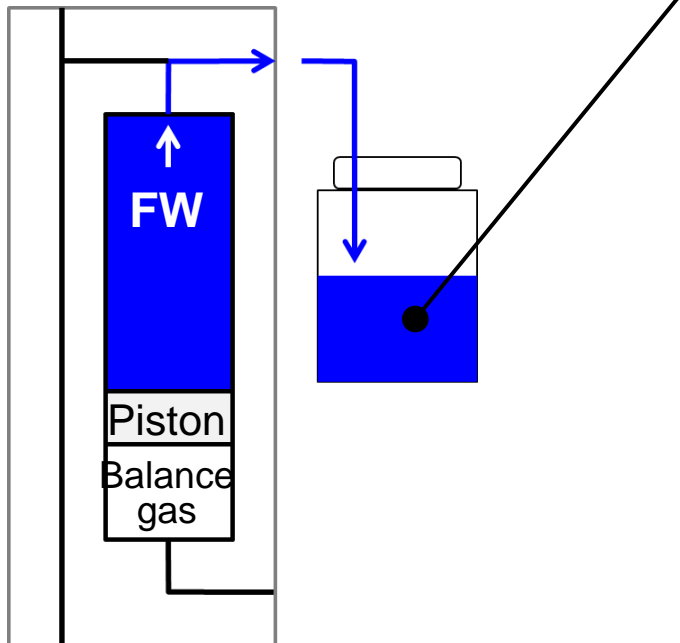
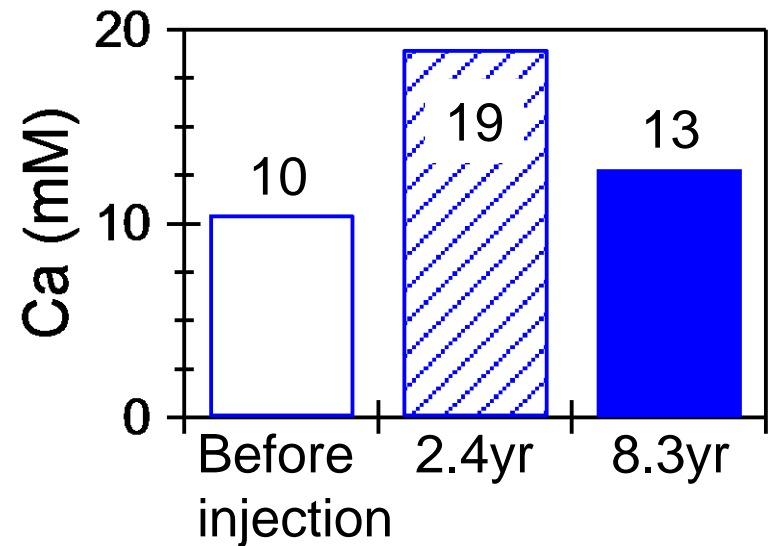
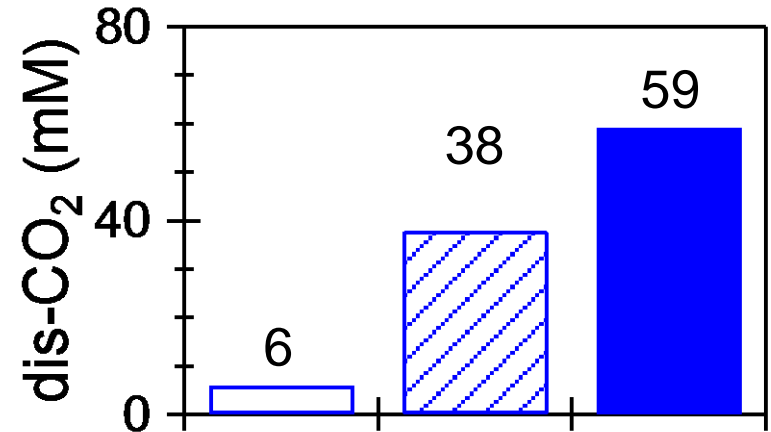
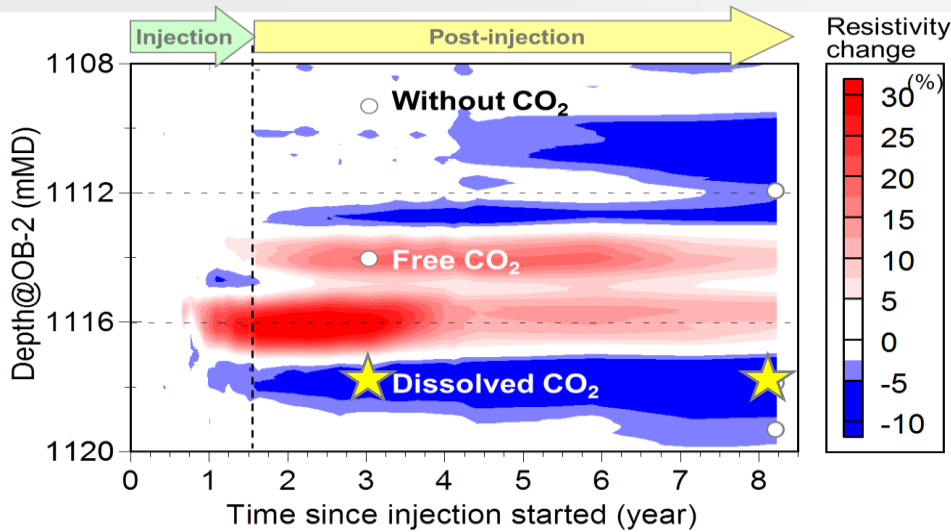
Dissolution ← → Precipitation



Calcite may have a tendency of reprecipitate at 1118.0m.

→ *Mineralization?*

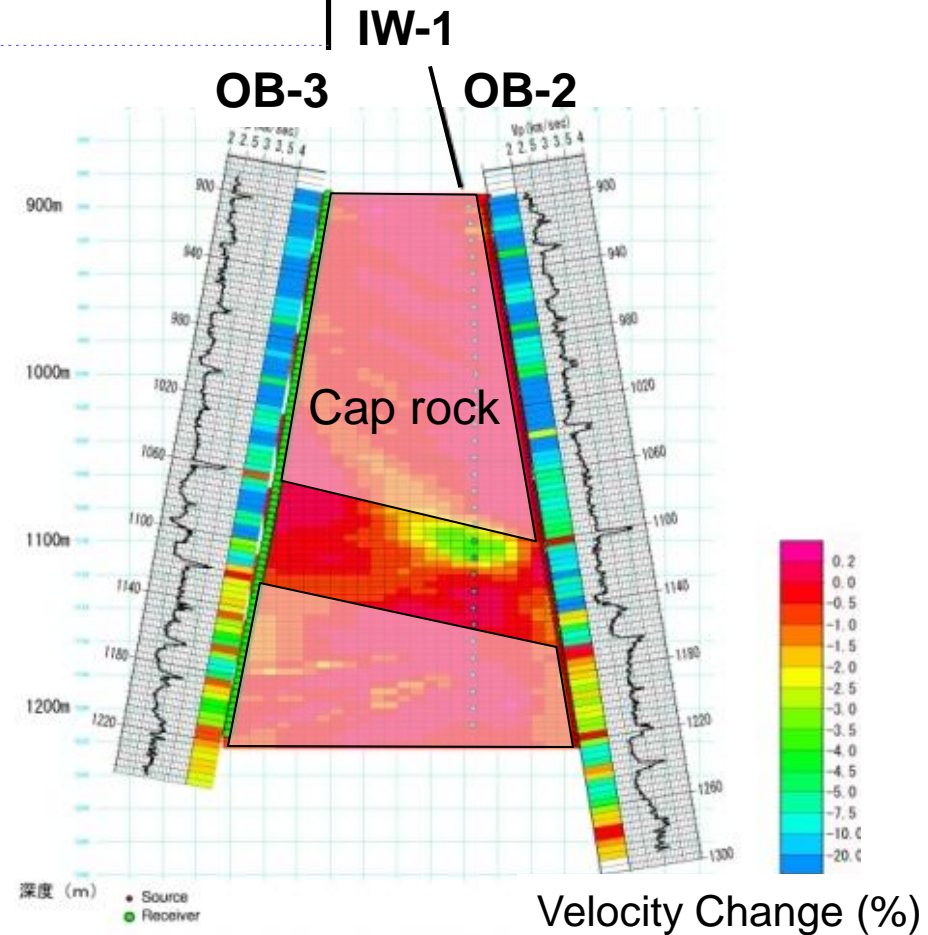
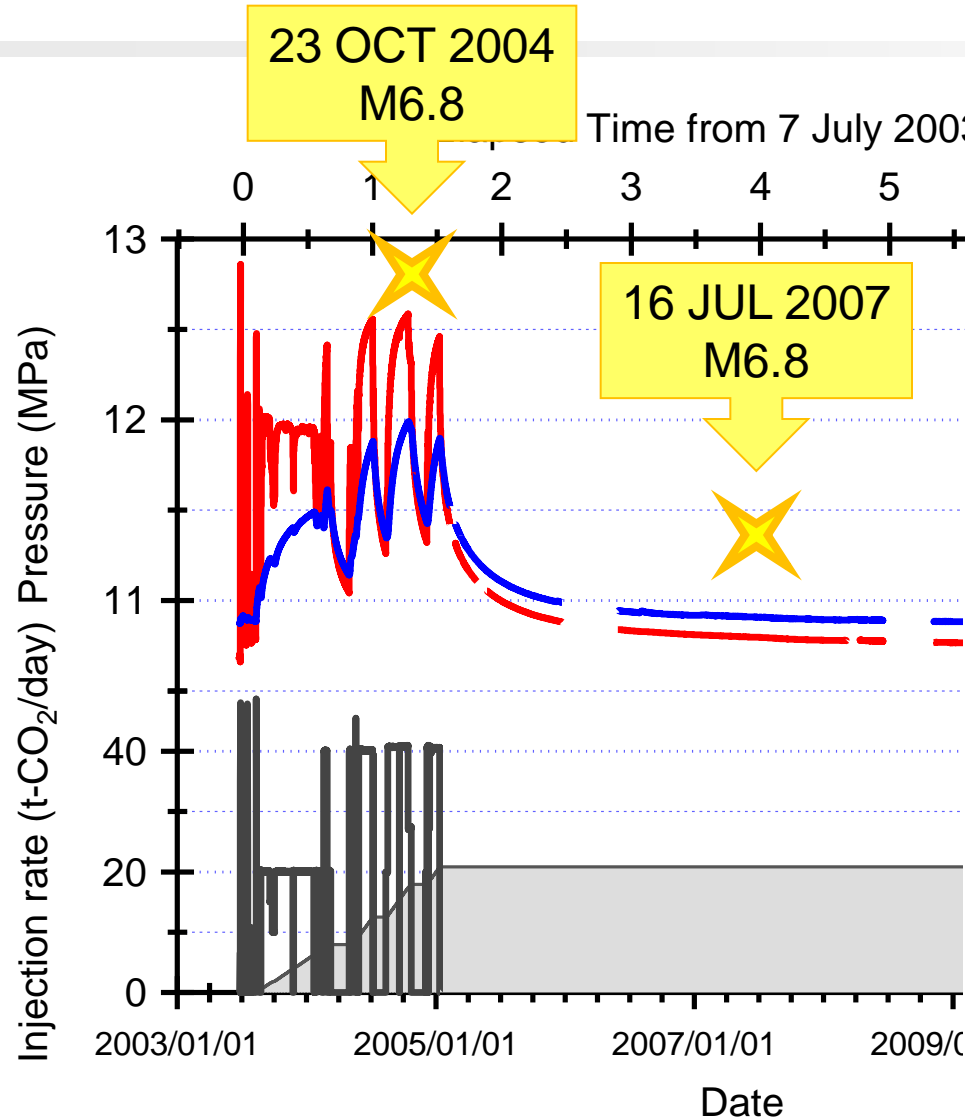
Temporal changes of dis-CO₂ and Ca at 1118.0m (★)



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Seismic Tomography confirmed no leakage



Summary of Post-injection Monitoring at Nagaoka



- Well based time-laps monitoring results showed the detailed behavior of injected CO₂.
- The first dataset of residual CO₂ saturation may be obtained from the Nagaoka site.
- Successful water analysis provided concentration of dissolved CO₂ and indicated potential of mineralization.
- Field surveys confirmed safety of CO₂ storage as evidenced by no sign of leakages from the reservoir.

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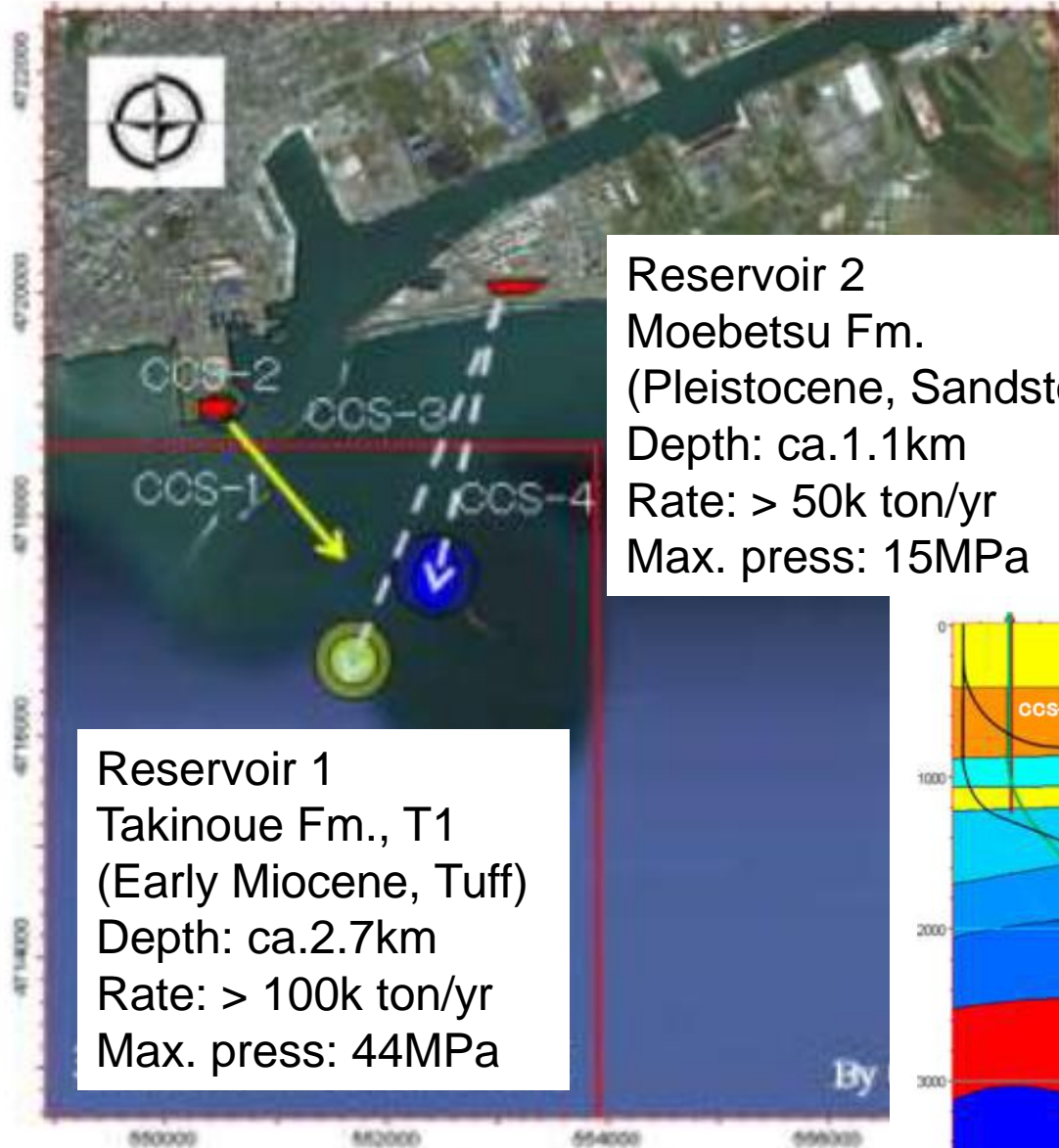
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Toward to Commercial CCS in Japan

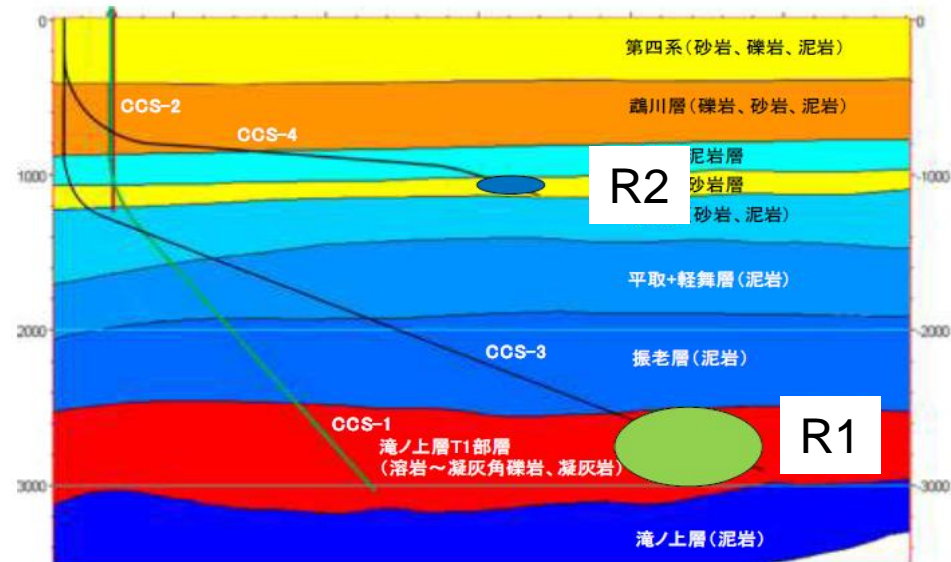
1. Established Japan CCS Co., Ltd as a new undertaker of CCS (2008)
2. Developed Safety Guideline for CCS Demonstrations by Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (2009)
3. Revised the Marine Pollution Prevention Law for regulatory framework of sub-seabed storage management by Ministry of the Environment (2007)
4. Demonstrate total system of CCS at an off-shore aquifer, Tomakomai (2012~2021)



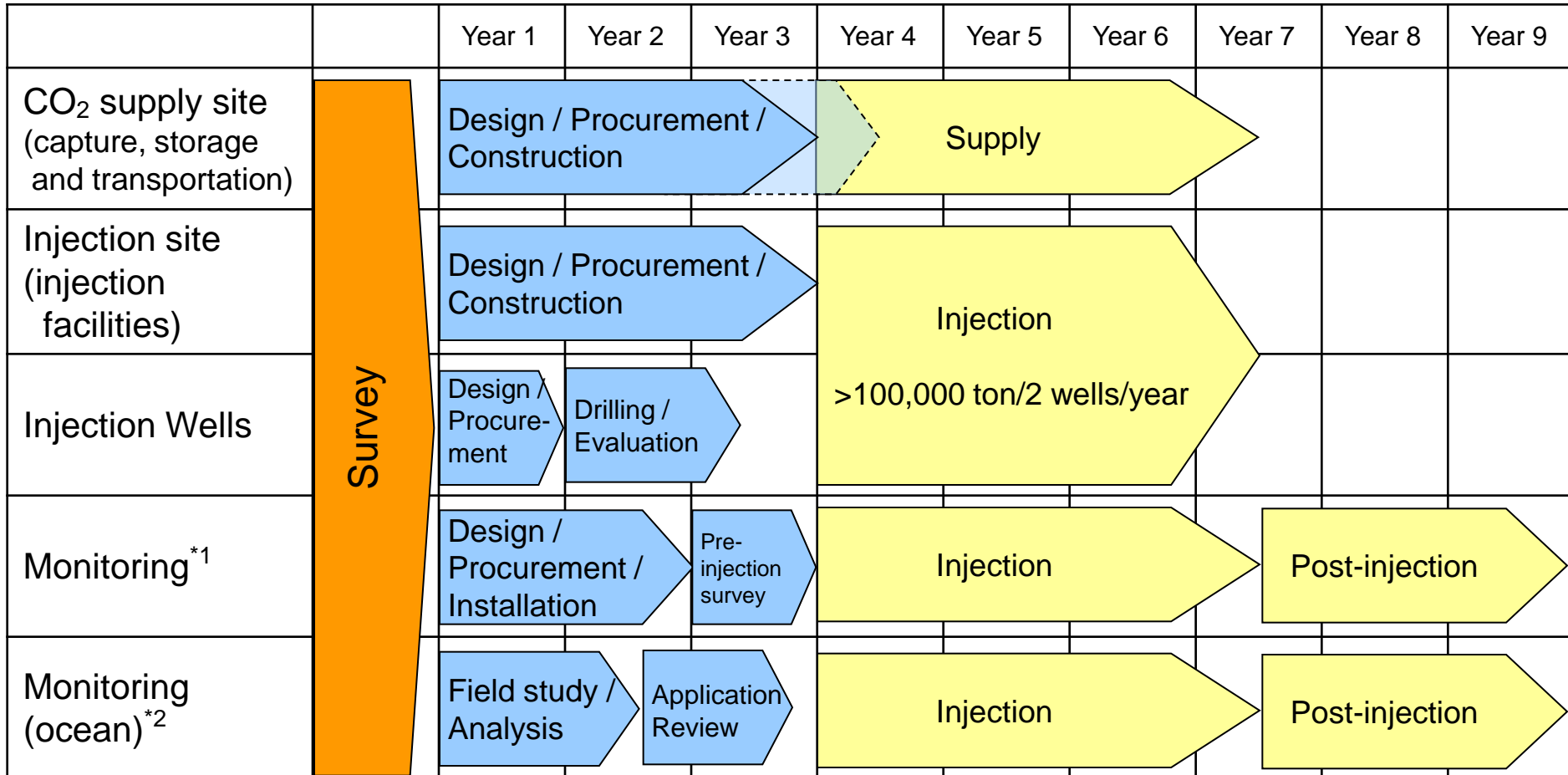
Conceptual Plan at Tomakomai



- 1 capture site (Oil refinery)
- Transport: pipeline
- 2 injection wells
- 2 monitoring wells
- 2 reservoirs



Operation schedule



*1: T & P monitoring / 2D & 3D seismic survey / Micro and natural seismicity monitoring by surface facility, wireline sensor, OBC (Ocean Bottom Cable) and OBS (Ocean Bottom Seismometer)

*2: Monitoring of stream regime, water and sediment quality, and marine organisms / Information research of marine usage and ecosystem

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