UEA contributions to Eurec4a Barbados 2019



AutoNaut USV and profiling ocean glider

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COMPASS aims to devise a way of delivering a profiling ocean glider to remote locations



UEA plans to calculate air-sea fluxes and mixed layer budgets by deploying...

AutoNaut wave-powered autonomous surface vehicle, 5 metres long

+ surface wind velocity, air temperature and humidity, atmospheric pressure, longwave and shortwave downwelling radiation

Seaglider profiling autonomous underwater vehicle

+ Profiles of upper ocean temperature, salinity, solar radiation, chlorophyll fluorescence, dissolved oxygen Furonean Research Counci



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- + Launch from slipway in Barbados, early January
- + Travel to study region
- + Release Seaglider
- Maintain time series with
 Caravela above glider
- Calibrate sensors against
 Eurec4a ships
- + Calculate air-sea fluxes
- + Ship recovers Seaglider
- + Caravela returns to Barbados for recovery





Questions and comments



- What is the best location for our time series (lat and long)? How far is it from Barbados? Typical current speeds? (Caravela's speed ~ 1 knot)
- Could we have a berth or two on Meteor for recovery of the Seaglider and potential emergency recovery of Caravela?
- + We anticipate profiling to 250 m with the Seaglider one dive/hour
- + Watch circle radius will be ~ 2 km

