

Background to *Cedre's* involvement in different detection techniques

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Research and development

- Satellite imagery (radar)
- Aerial detection and remote sensing
- Detection of sunken oil
- Fixed devices
- Oil detection at the surface by shipborne sensors
- Drifting buoys / dye release
- Container detection / tagging
- Gas detection
- Wrecks
- Inland waters



Satellite imagery (radar)

Boost

- Mediterranean delegate in charge of this topic
- Started in 1997 (OILWATCH) •
- Many European projects (RAMSES, GAIANET, CLEOPATRA, DECLIMS, • VASCO...)

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- Treatment of satellite (radar) images
- Analysis of SAR images and exploitation with the aim of reducing illegal discharges
- A few interesting images (but quite late) during the *Prestige* spill
- Pictures: ship traffic in the Mediterranean Sea, spill detections, produced by CLS-BOOST for *Cedre*





The 1980s: the Protecmar trials

- Actually began in 1979 \bullet
- Research campaigns on the • use of dispersants
- With aerial guidance •
- Spraying effectiveness monitored by observation / photos
- Detection/dye tracking techniques are included in the trials



Dispersant spraying: visible and IR images - Protecmar 3, 30/09/81, source IGN, © Cedre/IFP



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The 2000s: DEPOL, Protecmar's heirs

- Depol 04, 05 and 07 •
- 04: intercalibration of remote sensing means: Bonn Agreement + Japan (LIDAR) + Actimar
- 07: French customs + tests of other devices
- And since, involvement in other projects (POLHSAR)











DEPOL 04 – Some of the aircraft involved - Source Cedre





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Vegetable oils and chemicals

- Same idea: study products' behaviour and possibilities of detection / dyeing
- Pollutmar, since 1989: HNS
- PALMOR, end of the '90s (VO)
- Rapsodi I and II (2001-2002), EC projects (HNS and VO)
- Clara 2, ANR (HNS) •
- Tests of dyes (several experiments)



Palmor 2: palm oil slick, October 1998 – source *Cedre*

Clara 2: spill of product from BSAD Ailette, September 2008 - Source *Cedre*



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Detection of sunken oil

- Aftermath of the Erika spill
- Started in 2002:

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RITMER project EXCAPI

- Test of acoustic sensors in a dry dock
- European project DENIM
 (with ICRAM and IFREMER)
- European project ASMA (with DHI, GRAS, NOC)
- Goes on with VASQUE



EXCAPI trials – March 2002- GESMA's basin – Source *Cedre*



Detection with fixed devices

 Study for the Civil Protection Directorate in 1994 (4 sensors on several types of oil)

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 State of the art on sensors / devices for detection of oil on water surface carried out for Total (2009-11), with tests on some systems (SlickSleuth - UV, VarioCam Infratec – IR...)



Trials at Cedre: INFRATEC's VarioCAM® HR Inspect IR camera



Oil detection by shipborne sensors

 Since 2006, participation in ANR project RAPACE (captive drone for guiding oil spill response vessels)

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- Assessment of SeaDarq system (on ship's radar) during DEPOL 07
- ANR project DETHERPOLMAR (infrared detection with a camera set up on a ship's mast)



DEPOL 07: RAPACE balloon set on the *Alcyori*'s deck- source *Cedre*



DEPOL 07: the thermal infrared camera of project DETHERPOLMAR – Source *Cedre*

Drifting buoys / dye release

- Trials started in 1989 (VIGIMAR and NORDA) for oil and HNS
- Pollutmar trials
- Kidour trials 1994-96 (French Navy and industry), PTR and NORDA buoys
- Exercises Carribean (2003-2004) and Mediterranean Sea (2005)
- IN 2007 EC project Mersea in the Mediterranean Sea
- 2009, AMPERA DRIFTER project, tracking devices (dyes and buoys)



Monitoring of drifting buoys in the Caribbean – Source *Cedre,* ARGOS data



Buoys used during AMPERA DRIFTER trials at sea, Spain, 2009, source *Cedre*



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Container detection / tagging

- Studies started in 1990 (aftermath of accidents): surface and underwater localisation, tagging
- EC, Defence and Research ministries, industry
- Dourvarc'h experiments (1991-92)
- Start in 2007 of project FEDER/Interreg LOSTCONT: lessons learnt from accidents, workshop, trial at sea



Location of Dourvarc'h trials (1991-92) – Source Cedre



Container tagging system -Lostcont trials, 2008 – Source Cedre



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Gas detection

In 1987, studies on protection and detection means for response teams (for French Navy)

- Pollutmar trials
- GALERNE project (ANR), with the aim of drafting response sheets for emergency response teams: trials of detector and hyperspectral IR camera
- NUAGES project (ANR) currently under preparation



Trials of D2RC detector– June 2008 – GALERNE project– Source *Cedre*

Floating cells and detectors –GALERNE trials - June 2008 – source *Cedre*





Wrecks

First state of the art on "Intervention on wrecks" in 1994, for the French Navy, following actual operations: inventory of detection and observation means (sonars, ROV...)

- Updated in 2000
- In 2006, participation in ROSE project (led by IFREMER)
- Test of multibeam sonar in Cedre's basin, 2010, within a study on detection of leaks from wrecks
- Technology intelligence on a regular basis



Test of multibeam sonar – Cedre 2010



Wreck of the Peter Sif - Source Fanch Cabioc'h



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Inland waters

- 2000 2001, for ministry of • Environment, study "detection and measurement equipment"
- Inventory of methods and equipment for surface, bottom and water column monitoring
- In 2001, "pollution marking" study and trials for Water Agencies





Tests on dyes – 2000 – Source Cedre



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And also...

Other kinds of "experiments", which made significant improvement possible

- R&D still progresses
 a lot during spills
- And all the more since it is increasingly difficult to carry out trials at sea involving real pollutants





levoli Sun (styrene) and Allegra (palm kernel oil), sources French customs and Cedre





Prestige: aerial picture (French customs) and monitoring of drifting buoys (Cedre)



levoli Sun: olfactory detection test - source *Cedre*



Training: from spills...to illegal discharges

- First training course in 1993, for the French Navy, based on the first manual
- Lecturers from *Cedre*, French Navy, French Customs
- Focused on "accidental spills"
- Change in trend in the 2000s (*Erika* aftermath)
- Currently, 1/3 of lectures on legislation
- Sometimes, need to remind observers of the paramount importance of aerial observation during spills
- 2 sessions / year
- Trainees: French Navy, French Customs, MRCC, Canadian CG (NASP)



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Other courses / workshops

- 2 courses for Moroccan authorities in the 2000s (one involving the French Customs expert)
- China, Japan in the 2000s
- EMSA 2011 (preparation of training documents)
- Several workshops at European / Mediterranean levels in the 1990s and 2000s
- Airborne detection, satellite imagery, buoys...
- Legislation



International seminar, Qingdao, China 2009



European workshop "Satellite imagery in the Mediterranean", Toulon, 2003 – Source *Cedre*



"Aerial observation" manual



Currently being drafted

