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### **Abstract**

The IODE Steering Group for MEDI was established during IODE-XVI to support the MEDI software system. The Marine Environmental Data Information Referral Catalogue (MEDI) is a directory system for datasets, data catalogues and data inventories developed by IODE. During its Second Session the Steering Group reviewed the current status of the MEDI metadata authoring tool (version 3.0b). The Group discussed the changes required to the current version of the software and drafted a list of recommended software changes.

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## INTRODUCTION

The Session was opened on Tuesday, 4 April 2002 at 09:30 at the East-West Centre, University of Hawaii, Honolulu, USA, by Greg Reed, Chairman of the MEDI Steering Group (SG-MEDI). Mr Reed welcomed the participants to the meeting.

The Chairman outlined the objectives of the meeting and presented a background to the MEDI project. He recalled that the Marine Environmental Data Information Referral Catalogue (MEDI) is a directory system for datasets, data catalogues and data inventories developed by IODE. The software development for the current version of the MEDI metadata authoring tool was completed in December 2001 and has been available to the members of Steering Group on the IOC web site for testing and comment. Members of the Global Change Master Directory (GCMD) team have tested the software. The chairman also visited the Southampton Oceanography Centre in March 2002 to demonstrate the software and has received positive feedback from some of the Centre staff.

## STATUS OF THE CURRENT VERSION OF MEDI

Mr Matthew de Plater, MEDI software developer, introduced the current version of MEDI. He chronicled the development work completed during the twelve-month period since the first Steering Group meeting.

- April 2001. First MEDI steering group meeting with demonstration of MEDI v.2.2.
- May 2001. Work list compiled from Steering Group meeting.
- May – Dec 2001. Software development and alpha testing phase.
- Dec 2001. Beta version of MEDI v.3.0 completed and evaluation version hosted on IOC website.
- Dec 2001 – Mar 2002. User testing by Steering Group members and ongoing beta testing.

The current version of MEDI is browser-driven, thus allowing users to connect to the internet, if required, to search for marine-related metadata. The software can also be used locally, either as a stand-alone system or on a local network. This version includes the MEDI server that operates as a service under Apache Tomcat 3.2.3 using HTML, JSP and servlets to render functionality. Apache Tomcat operates on Windows, UNIX and LINUX platforms. MEDI uses standard HTTP protocol, hence can be accessed via the internet or intranet. Metadata records are stored as DIF-XML files and data can be imported and exported using standard ZIP formats. The GIS functionality is delivered using SVG (Adobe SVG plug-in 3.0). All text is displayed via a translation table that allows multi-lingual functionality. The current distribution size is 9.93MB and the software can be downloaded from the IOC web site. The software has been successfully tested using Windows and Unix operating systems. Some problems have been reported when using Mac OS. The SVG viewer software is currently only supported by Internet Explorer and does not function correctly with Netscape. On-line help files, with examples, are available to assist the user. Records can be imported and exported in XML format.

The Group thanked Mr de Plater and expressed its appreciation for the support provided by the Australian Oceanographic Data Centre (AODC) in the development of the MEDI software tool. The Group also noted that AODC could no longer commit the resources required to accept the full responsibility for future software development.

## SOFTWARE ISSUES TO BE RESOLVED

Detailed discussions were held on a number of issues to be resolved with the current version of the software. Each data entry and search screen was examined in full and the following issues were identified:

### Search Records

General Search Parameters	Select field to Search: Use previous search field as default Choice of AND / OR When a search task has been added to the “Search Task List” box, the “Remove” button does not delete the added task.
Temporal Criteria	Ability to search for a dataset by ID number Combine Specific Bounds and Monthly Bounds Monthly bounds search is not working
Spatial Search	Need help hints on how to use SVG Do not display the SVG map when opening. Provide a button “Display Map” to open the SVG map to graphically define area. When defining a rectangular area, need to be able to draw in all directions.
SVG Viewer	Investigate alternative ways of displaying results of a spatial search, e.g. different colours, shaded boxes Investigate SVG performance. 180 <sup>0</sup> issue – Don Collins to investigate how NODC handles the problem
General Comments	It should not be a requirement to login in order to search records. Ability to combine search criteria Ability to search on a subset (result of search) Ability to search for a dataset by ID number

### Create New Records

Page 1.	Summary Wizard: change name to Authoring Assistant. Language: change to Dataset Language Remove Discipline Access Constraints. Move “Optional values” box to be under title. Don’t need second box (see, e.g., Distribution) Use Constraints. Enlarge box (same as Quality)
Page 2.	Temporal coverage: stop date can be blank Date range: change range check message to a warning Remove paleo temporal coverage
Page 3.	Fix bug when moving back/forward to next page using bottom navigation Do not display the SVG map when opening. Provide a button “Display Map” to open the SVG map to graphically define area. Locations: desirable feature to have auto-determination of location name from a digitised sea area boundary file. Ability to edit multi-point coordinates
Page 4.	Locations: Add World Ocean, Southern Ocean and Caspian Sea Parameter, Source, Sensor, Project. Change “Add” button to “Suggest new” with instructions on how to suggest new keywords. Generate email to MEDI coordinator with new valid name. MEDI coordinator then contacts GCMD. Originator is informed if approved or rejected. (This should be the procedure for all valids) All “Add” functions not working
Page 5.	Do not display “EARTH SCIENCE” in the list of selected parameters. Rename screen to “Holding Organisation and Personnel”. Create new contact. Enter all contact details on a single screen.

	Personnel roles. Select from defined list – Investigator, Data centre contact, DIF author, Technical contact. Each Organisation record requires a Data Centre Contact. URL – change to Data Centre URL.
Page 6.	Change text “Data presentation format” to “Data presentation form”. Need an ADD button to add to list of suggested keywords.
Page 7.	Distribution. Increase size of “Fees” box. “Media” and “Format” lists need ADD button to add to list of suggested keywords Related URL. “URL Content Type” is controlled list, select from list of valids. Include “Suggest” button. If “URL content type” is used then “URL” field is required.
Page 8.	Multimedia. If “File” is used then “URL” is required. Format: need ADD button to add to list of suggested keywords. New name for “Multimedia”? “Sample Image”.
Page 9.	Data Resolution. Move “Temporal Resolution” to first on list. Investigate methods for locating Parent Record ID. Refer to KOSI system ( <a href="http://kosi.nfrdi.re.kr">http://kosi.nfrdi.re.kr</a> ). In Korean only.
General	Remove IDN Node (not required in MEDI). Replace all “?” buttons with “i” icon. Create new record from template. If no template is selected system crashes. Automatically move cursor for fixed character fields (e.g. date field). All fields require a help feature. Security. Only owner can edit/delete records.

### Delete Records

Need a cautionary note before deleting  
Need ability to delete records from the search results screen.  
Help screen required.

### Export Records

Need ability to Export records from the “Search Results” Screen.  
Help screen required.  
Two options to export records: MEDI DIF and GCMD DIF (remove geo-shapes and validate against GCMD DTD)  
FGDC compatibility. Use XSL style sheet for conversion

### Import Records

Help screen required.

### Main Menu

Move “Recover unsaved records” from Search Menu to Main Menu.

### Administration

Add “Modify User” feature  
Enlarge Address field box

### General

Printable version of a DIF record is desirable.  
Field “Originating Centre” missing – to be added  
Redesign web interface. All mandatory fields should appear on a single page.

### Review of Valid Lists

Parameter Valids. It was agreed to retain the complete set of GCMD Parameter valids but to change order of Topics so OCEANS is listed first.

Source, Sensor, Project, Data Centre valids. It was agreed that these valid lists would be reduced to include only Ocean related keywords. GCMD will provide subset lists for existing datasets using the OCEANS topic. Recommended MEDI Source Valids are listed in Annex V. Recommended MEDI Sensor Valids are listed in Annex VI. Recommended MEDI Project Valids are listed in Annex VI. Recommended MEDI Data Centre Valids are listed in Annex VIII.

Location valids. It was agreed to add the following location names to the valid list: Caspian Sea, World Ocean, Southern Ocean

## CONVERTING DATASETS FOR MEDI

This item was introduced by Evgeny Vyazilov and outlined the methods used at RIHMI-WDC to convert dataset descriptions to MEDI format. The full abstract of the presentation is included in Annex IV.

## GCMD PRESENTATION

Ms Monica Holland introduced this item and listed the GCMD contribution to MEDI during the intersessional period. This included:

- A subset list of all the ocean-related data centers held in the GCMD so that MEDI users will have a list of Data centers potential choices within the field "Data Provider" Database tables for "Data\_Center" ("Data\_Center" valids table, "Data\_Center\_URL", and "Data\_Center" personnel valids) XSL modules for the tab layout
- The process of how FGDC records can be converted to DIF (and how DIF can be converted to FGDC) A list of all of the Data Centers that were used within the GOSIC portals.
- Responded to MEDI steering group's request to add Location keywords and Ocean Keywords to GCMD keyword list.

Currently the GCMD has a total of 253 Ocean keywords in the list of "GCMD Parameter Valids". The following Ocean keywords and location valids have been suggested by MEDI since the 1st session of the IODE Steering Group for MEDI: Plate Tectonics, Geochemistry, Genetics, Aquaculture, Nearshore dynamics or shelf dynamics, Remote Sensing or geosensing, and Seismology.

GCMD has incorporated several of the keyword suggestions from MEDI steering group members. GCMD Keywords added during 2001-2002 to the Earth Science > Oceans parameter valids, other ocean-related keywords, and Location valids are:

Bathymetry/Seafloor Topography > Abyssal Hills/Plains  
Bathymetry/Seafloor Topography > Continental Margins > Continental Rises/Slopes  
Bathymetry/Seafloor Topography > Continental Margins > Continental Shelves  
Bathymetry/Seafloor Topography > Fracture Zones  
Bathymetry/Seafloor Topography > Seamounts > Guyots  
Bathymetry/Seafloor Topography > Ocean Plateaus/Ridge  
Bathymetry/Seafloor Topography > Rift Valleys  
Bathymetry/Seafloor Topography > Seamounts  
Bathymetry/Seafloor Topography > Submarine Canyons  
Bathymetry/Seafloor Topography > Trenches

Biosphere > Aquatic Habitat  
Biosphere > Demersal Habitat  
Marine Biology > Fish  
Marine Biology > Genetics  
Marine Biology > Marine Birds  
Marine Biology > Marine Habitat  
Marine Biology > Marine Invertebrates  
Marine Biology > Marine Mammals  
Marine Biology > Marine Microbiota  
Marine Biology > Marine Plants  
Marine Biology > Marine Reptiles  
Marine Geophysics > Marine Tectonics > Island Arcs  
Marine Geophysics > Marine Magnetism > Magnetic Anomalies  
Marine Geophysics > Marine Tectonics > Mid-Ocean Ridges  
Marine Geophysics > Continental Drift  
Marine Geophysics > Marine Tectonics > Seafloor Spreading  
Marine Geophysics > Marine Tectonics > Subduction  
Marine Volcanism > Benthic Heat Flow  
Marine Volcanism > Hydrothermal Vents  
Marine Sediments > Hydrogenous Sediments > Evaporites  
Marine Sediments > Biogenic Sediments > Carbonate Sediments  
Marine Sediments > Geotechnical Properties  
Marine Sediments > Sedimentary Textures > Sediment Grain Size  
Marine Sediments > Biogenic Sediments > Siliceous Sediments  
Marine Sediments > Sediment Chemistry  
Marine Sediments > Sedimentary Textures  
Marine Sediments > Sedimentary Structures  
Marine Sediments > Geotechnical Properties  
Ocean Chemistry > Marine Geochemistry  
Sea Surface Topography > Sea Surface Height  
Sea Ice > Snow Melt  
Sea Ice > Snow Depth

Location Valid added during 2001-2002 are:

Barents Sea  
Irish Sea  
Norwegian Sea  
Ross Sea  
Sea Of Japan/East Sea  
South China and Eastern Archipelagic Seas  
Weddell Sea

The GCMD keyword valids are updated with new information or modifications periodically. A current list of all the GCMD keywords are maintained online: <http://gcmd.nasa.gov/Resources/valids/index.html>

The MEDI software was evaluated by GCMD and comments were received from 5 GCMD staff members. These comments have been assembled and are listed in Annex III. The MEDI export function was reviewed and the following differences were noted:

- Order of fields was different than the GCMD DTD (this can be corrected by an XSL style sheet)
- Syntax for the field Discipline was incorrect
- Date syntax incorrect, should be changed from yyyy-m-dd to yyyy-mm-dd
- Removed duplicate polypoint values and included as a keyword field

The latest version of the GCMD DTD is at <http://gcmd.nasa.gov/Aboutus/xml/dif/dif.dtd>.

Ms Holland also reviewed other metadata authoring tools, namely, GCMD Builder Tools, SMMS (Biological Research Division (BRD) Metadata Tool) and MATT Metadata Authoring Tool (Southern African Data Community).

Ms Lola Olsen provided information on the status of GCMD's MD8 software and the MD8 Server Local Database Agent (LDA). MD8 is a Java application and is intended to be platform independent. The software requires Java 1.3, Jakarta Tomcat 4.0 (to run the servlets) and Jython 2.0 (the Java implementation of the Python programming language). The Local Database Agent (LDA) requires a database that supports triggers. The database creation scripts are tailored for Oracle 8 or 8i and some customisation may be required for other databases. These scripts also scan the GCMD catalogue and extract DIFs dependent upon specific predefined search controls such as Data Center, IDN\_Node, Locations, Parameters, Project, Sensors (Instruments), and Sources (Platforms).

## **RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO MEDI SOFTWARE**

The Group commended the work done by the MEDI software developer, Mr de Plater, and listed the changes required to current version based on the software issues identified above. Details of recommended changes to the software are listed in Annex IX.

## **PROMOTION OF MEDI IN THE MARINE COMMUNITY**

The Group discussed ways of promoting MEDI in the marine community and to encourage its use. It was agreed that an enhanced web presence would raise the profile of MEDI. IOC will create a new web site for MEDI to provide a background to the project and describe details of the MEDI authoring software. Presentation of papers at conferences and meeting was seen as another opportunity of promoting MEDI.

## **CLOSURE**

The Steering Group Chairman thanked everybody for contributing to the second session of the MEDI Steering Group. The Second Session of the IODE Steering Group for MEDI was closed on Thursday 4 April at 14:00. In accordance with the IODE work plan and budget it was planned to have the next Session in 2003 with the date and place to be decided later.

ANNEX I

**AGENDA**

Introduction

Status of the current version of MEDI

Issues to be resolved with the software

converting datasets for MEDI

Presentation from GCMD

Recommended changes to the MEDI software

Promotion of MEDI in the marine community

Closure



## ANNEX II

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### ANNEX III

#### GCMD EVALUATION OF MEDI SOFTWARE

MEDI Tool Evaluation: Page 1. Title, Summary, Discipline, Language, Access Constraints, Use Constraints, and Quality				
<b>Problems/Understanding/Ease of Use:</b>	<b>Discipline:</b>	<b>Summary:</b>	<b>Access Constraints:</b>	<b>Use Constraints:</b>
What problems did you have reviewing the features?	User 1: This field needs a pick list. It is not clear what the user's choice are. When I clicked "Add I was expecting a pick list.	What does "wizard" mean?	The box below access constraints should be placed under the option,	only allows 1 line of text
Is it clear what each field requires?	User 2: field seems vague; no controlled keywords		so that the user doesn't try to enter	
Which field(s) needs additional explanation for the user?	User 3: This field should be explained more, the user of the field should be provided, and a list of choices should be provided for the user. May be able to keep as a default value		a value in the box.	
What field(s) were not easy to use?	Discipline: EARTH SCIENCE Subdiscipline: OCEANS			
<b>Unique Features:</b>				
What stands out as unique within this tool for this page?	Access Constraints: Liked the Optional values provided			
<b>Additional comments</b>	When you transition from Page 1 to Page 2 it is not clear if you have to click "Finish" to save your work before proceeding to Page2. However after testing, I was able to see that by clicking Page 2 my work on Page 1 was saved.	What do the red asterisks mean next to some fields? I assume that these indicate required fields, but the novice user wouldn't know that. There's no explanation as to what they are.		
MEDI Tool Evaluation: Page 2. Temporal Coverage and Paleo Temporal Coverage				

<b>Problems/Understanding/Ease of Use:</b>	Entered 1697 as the start year. I received a warning that the start year must be > 1900 and < 2050. What do you do with a dataset that is not Paleoclimate, but starts before 1900? The other problem is that some NCEP projected climate data sets go beyond 2050. I also tried entering a start date without an end date. I got a warning telling me end month must be a number. We commonly enter start dates without an end date.	There is a dialog box that says "no temporal records" and another box that says "remove". What does that mean, does it mean that if I put in a date I have to remove the "no temporal records" line from the box?	Noticed that if you click on a valid without entering a date, it takes a long time to get the error message to loop to end.
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### Unique Features

#### Additional comments

#### MEDI Tool Evaluation: Page 3. Spatial Coverage, Rectangular Boundaries, Altitude, Depth, Locations

<b>Problems/Understanding/Ease of Use:</b>	Could only get the "Box" polygon to work. I clicked the other symbols and nothing happened.	I was going along quite nicely until the specification of lat. and lon. values. For some unknown reason, I could not go on to the next page of "fill-in-the form". It kept re-entering my input values.	The geospatial fields on page 3 were especially confusing for the geospatial coordinates, what is "polygon type"? A Help key should be provided for the field. Also, not sure what to do with the buttons on the right side of the map.
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### Unique Features

3 of the 5 testers, mentioned that the map is a really nice feature

**Additional comments**

When I clicked Page 4. My Windows '98 OS Crashed. I got a list of cryptic errors and then the tool crashed. Started Over and skipped to page 4 to avoid the same error. I was not able to retrieve the file I was working on. At the start you should give a notice to the user for retrieving unsaved documents.

Noticed that when you try to go on to the next page (page 4) before the map has loaded, the browser will crash. It may be useful to add a loading symbol so that the user is aware that something is happening, or that they must wait to continue to another section.

**MEDI Tool Evaluation: Page 4. Parameters, Source, Sensors, Project, General Keywords**

<b>Problems/Understanding/Ease of Use:</b>	I am not sure why the “Add” button is there. I think it is there so you can suggest a new keyword.	Does not allow the user to enter multiple parameters	The add new button did not work for the Source field	Are there sensors that are within the MEDI list of valids that aren't part of the sensor valids within GCMD?
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**Unique Features**

I liked the Parameter function here. It is real fast and easy to use

I liked the pick lists for source and sensor valids. Very nice!

**Additional comments**

**MEDI Tool Evaluation: Page 5. Holding Organization: Organisations, Create New Organization Record**

<b>Problems/Understanding/Ease of Use:</b>	Hard to determine how to add new person, eventually realized that you must use an existing organization	It is not intuitive for the user to add a new contact within create a new organization.
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**Unique Features**

**Additional comments**

**MEDI Tool Evaluation: Page 6. Citation Details**

**Problems/Understanding/Ease of Use:**

**Unique Features:**

**Additional comments**

MEDI Tool Evaluation: Page 7. Distribution and Related URL				
Problems/Understanding/Ease of Use:	Distribution: Not sure if you had to click on > to save	Related URL: Needs valids list	Related URL field should have a help field for the user. Also this field should have a valid list, not a free text option	
Unique Features				
Additional comments	Not sure if you would be able to save the record at this point, or if had to go through all the pages before the record would be submitted.			
MEDI Tool Evaluation: Page 8. Multimedia and Data Resolution				
Problems/Understanding/Ease of Use:	The Multimedia field should have an explanation of how the field should be used.			
Unique Features				
Additional comments				
MEDI Tool Evaluation: Page 9. Metadata Housekeeping				
Problems/Understanding/Ease of Use:	There is no help button near parent record. Some people might not know what this means.			
Unique Features				
Additional comments				
MEDI Tool Evaluation: Page 10				

**Problems/Understanding/Ease of Use:** None

**Unique Features:**

**Additional comments**

Additional Questions		
Standards Compliance	Is the Tool compliant with GCMD?	Valid list should be included within the tool.
Usability	Is online documentation available? If so how useful does it appear to be?	Some fields are missing guidelines or help menus to assist the user.
	Are other forms of documentation available for the user?	This feature should be incorporated into the new version of MEDI.
General Tool features	Can the metadata be developed in stages over time?	The tool will allow you to update the metadata over time, with templates, however, further explanation for saving documents is needed.
	Are there means within the tool for pre-filling, re-using, the same information?	Yes
User Interface	Does the user interface seem intuitive?	Some parts of the MEDI tool are not intuitive, please refer to table above for additional comments.
	User interface consistent with other windows functions (save, print, cut/paste)?	The option to save the document as the user creates the metadata record should be noted.
	Are there multiple user interfaces (Basic, Advanced, etc)?	No, currently there is only one interface provided with this version of the MEDI tool.

## Additional Comments

Finish Editing Record - There is only a Submit Button. It is not clear on whom the entry is being submitted to. How do I send a copy of the entry to myself? What is the entry ID for the record that I have created? How do I retrieve my file at a later time?	Search: Not clear on how to search using the add feature	May need to explain why the user needs to download SVG.	May want to provide on the starting pages, how to recover any unsaved documents. It was not clear for the user to look under the search feature.
After creating my record, I am not sure if I was able to save my record correctly. I looked under all the files in "Export Records" from the main menu. My entry is not there. It may have been there, but I have no idea what the file name is since it was not provided for me during the creation process.	Noticed overall there weren't very many instructions to guide the user.	I would have thought that Import a record meant that I could just take that sample DIF and bring it on in - but evidently not. It doesn't appear that the Import is active.	
The use of fancy tools such as SVG seems unnecessary and burdensome on the user. The "create record" system is very slow possibly due to the high cost of the graphics involved.	The record is not displayed after each additional page has completed. It may be useful for the user to see the record while it is being created	Did not understand how to Search the directory, so I chose to see all the entries - the 200 + IODE ones. I had no success with refining my query. In their list, they use Parameters and General Keywords and an uncapped "author".	
I didn't like not knowing how many total questions I would have to complete. I didn't like the "unknown". In our version, you see the entire spectrum of what needs to be done.	I tried to update a record that I started working on, however the date did not change after I updated the record.	Tried to use a "blank" form to write my own record. I saw a template in there for other users. I'm not sure what that might mean to someone. I'm not sure how the other templates were created.	

## ANNEX IV

### THE PROBLEMS OF CONVERTING DATA SETS DESCRIPTION FOR MEDI

The completeness of the metadata base on the centres, kinds of observation is the important characteristic of any system, therefore it is necessary to describe not only oceanographical data, but also all data concerning natural environment of coastal zones (meteorological, geological, hydrological, etc.). With systems such as GCMD, EDMED, and MEDI it can take some hours to enter one dataset description and the metadata author does not want to spend time for repeated input of these descriptions into MEDI. It is necessary to use already created descriptions of this system.

Therefore one of tasks of development of the MEDI metadata base is the association of the information from various systems by converting from one structure of metadata base. For example, it may use metadata bases of such systems as EDMED (UK), INFOCLIMA (WMO), Blue Pages (Australia), etc., in which already there are thousands of descriptions of oceanographical datasets. Such approach would allow considerably speeding up of the work of creating the MEDI metadata base.

It is possible to divide systems of storing metadata bases on structure of their storage into two parts:

Classical databases as the relational tables;

Documentary systems representing metadata in the putting or outputting forms systems as "Key word: *Value*".

Depending on the storage structure, it is possible to propose some variants of conversion. For metadata as the relational tables the following schemes of converting can be applied.

- 1) DB → SQL → DB (Triple) → SQL → XML XSLT → XML MEDI
- 2) DB → SQL → XML XSLT → XML MEDI
- 3) DB → SQL → XML MEDI

In the first variant with DBMS from the several tables are combined in a triple under the structure: first field is the name of the table, second field is the name of the field in the table, third field is a value of the attribute. In this triple the names of the tables actually represent the group elements XML, and names of fields - names of elements or attributes XML. The SQL software is required which will transform this metadata into the correct XML file. XML is a perfect means of information exchange, understanding as the computer, and user. This variant is used in RIHMI-WDC to represent metadata and data on the screen of the user from a database.

In the second and third variants it is possible also to use SQL, to submit data from a database as XML files. The received XML files can be converted by the Extensible Stylesheet Language for Transformations (XSLT), which is a subset of language XML.

If metadata are submitted in the form "Key word: *values* ", this information is possible easily to transfer in XML file by replacement of key words on appropriate XML tags using editors (NotePad, WordPad, etc.). Such work is carried out in RIHMI-WDC for more than 300 data sets description, before stored as \*.html, \*.doc files, etc.

After reception XML files for their completion the editor XMLPad or anyone another is possible to use which allow easily to change values of elements and attributes, to add new elements and attributes, and also to change their names. If the change both additions of values

of elements and attributes are required only, it is possible to import the data in MEDI and to take advantage of editing tools of this system.

Future of development of meta-databases is the integration of the dataset descriptions with connection of the additional information - formats, documentation on data sets, maps of data coverage, detailing catalogues of datasets, etc., as it is made in Carbon Dioxide Information Analysis Center (CDIAC), National Snow and Ice Data Center, Distribution Active Archive Center (NSIDC DAAC). Use of a subset of language XML (Xlink, XPass, XPointer) allows it to make more effectively, than indication a URL address.

## ANNEX V

### RECOMMENDED MEDI SOURCE VALIDS

#### Short Name > Long Name

ADEOS > Advanced Earth Observing Satellite  
ADEOS II > Advanced Earth Observing Satellite-II  
AEM-2 > Applications Explorer Mission-2  
AEM-3 > Applications Explorer Mission-3  
AIRCRAFT  
AJISAI > Experimental Geodetic Satellite (Japanese EGS)  
AQUA > Earth Observing System> AQUA (EOS PM-1)  
ARGOS > ARGOS Data Collection and Position Location System  
ASOS > Automated Surface Observing System  
ATLAS > Atmospheric Laboratory for Applications and Science  
ATLAS MOORINGS > Autonomous Temperature Line Acquisition System  
AWOS > Automated Weather Observing System  
BALLOONS  
BUOYS  
C-MAN > Coastal Marine Network  
CMDL > NOAA Climate Monitoring Diagnostics Laboratory Stations  
COASTAL STATIONS  
COSMOS 49  
DEM > Digital Elevation Model  
DMSP > Defense Meteorological Satellite Program  
DMSP 5D-2/F10 > Defense Meteorological Satellite Program-F10  
DMSP 5D-2/F11 > Defense Meteorological Satellite Program-F11  
DMSP 5D-2/F12 > Defense Meteorological Satellite Program-F12  
DMSP 5D-2/F13 > Defense Meteorological Satellite Program-F13  
DMSP 5D-2/F14 > Defense Meteorological Satellite Program-F14  
DMSP 5D-2/F15 > Defense Meteorological Satellite Program-F15  
DMSP 5D-2/F8 > Defense Meteorological Satellite Program-F8  
DRILLING PLATFORMS  
EOS AM-1 > Earth Observing System> AM-1  
EOS PM-1 > Earth Observing System> PM-1  
ERBS > Earth Radiation Budget Satellite  
ERS-1 > European Remote Sensing Satellite-1  
ERS-2 > European Remote Sensing Satellite-2  
ETALON 1  
ETALON 2  
FIELD SURVEYS  
FIXED OBSERVATION STATIONS  
GCM > General Circulation Model  
GEOS 3 > Geodetic Earth Orbiting Satellite 3  
GEOSAT > Geodetic Satellite  
GEOSTATIONARY SATELLITES>  
GMS > Japan Geostationary Meteorological Satellite  
GMS-1 > Geostationary Meteorological Satellite-1  
GMS-2 > Geostationary Meteorological Satellite-2  
GMS-3 > Geostationary Meteorological Satellite-3  
GMS-4 > Geostationary Meteorological Satellite-4  
GMS-5 > Geostationary Meteorological Satellite-5  
GOES > NOAA Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellites  
GOES-10 > Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite 10  
GOES-11 > Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite 11  
GOES-2 > Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite 2  
GOES-5 > Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite 5  
GOES-6 > Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite 6  
GOES-7 > Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite 7  
GOES-8 > Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite 8  
GOES-9 > Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite 9  
GPS > Global Positioning System Satellites  
GRAVITY STATIONS  
GROUND STATIONS  
GROUND-BASED OBSERVATIONS

HAGGLUND > NZAP Hagglund Oversnow Vehicle  
HELICOPTER  
INSAT > Indian National Satellite  
INSAT 1A > Indian National Satellite 1A  
INSAT 1B > Indian National Satellite 1B  
IRIS > Incorporated Research Institutions for Seismology Network  
IRS-P3 > Indian ISRO IRS-P3 Spacecraft  
JERS-1 > Japanese Earth Resources Satellite-1  
LAGEOS > Laser Geodetic Satellite  
LAGEOS 2 > Laser Geodetic Satellite 2  
LANDSAT  
LANDSAT-1  
LANDSAT-2  
LANDSAT-3  
LANDSAT-4  
LANDSAT-5  
MAGSAT  
MAPS  
METEOR-3  
METEOSAT  
METEOSAT-1  
METEOSAT-2  
METEOSAT-3  
METEOSAT-4 > Meteosat Operational Programme 1 (MOP-1)  
METEOSAT-5 > Meteosat Operational Programme 2 (MOP-2)  
METEOSAT-6 > Meteosat Operational Programme 3 (MOP-3)  
METEOSAT-7  
MODELS  
MOORINGS  
MOS-1 > Japanese Marine Observation Satellite 1  
MOS-1B > Japanese Marine Observation Satellite-1B  
NIMBUS  
NIMBUS-3  
NIMBUS-4  
NIMBUS-5  
NIMBUS-6  
NIMBUS-7  
NOAA POES > NOAA Polar Orbiting Environmental Satellites  
NOAA-10 > National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration-10  
NOAA-11 > National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration-11  
NOAA-12 > National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration-12  
NOAA-13 > National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration-13  
NOAA-14 > National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration-14  
NOAA-15 > National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration-15  
NOAA-2 > National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration-2  
NOAA-3 > National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration-3  
NOAA-4 > National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration-4  
NOAA-5 > National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration-5  
NOAA-6 > National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration-6  
NOAA-7 > National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration-7  
NOAA-8 > National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration-8  
NOAA-9 > National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration-9  
NWS > National Weather Service  
OBSERVATORIES  
OCEAN PLATFORMS  
OCEAN WEATHER STATIONS  
OGO 2 > Orbiting Geophysical Observatory 2  
OGO 4 > Orbiting Geophysical Observatory 4  
OGO 6 > Orbiting Geophysical Observatory 6  
ORBVIEW-2 > Orbital Sciences Corporation OrbView-2 Satellite  
OSTA-1 > Office of Space & Terrestrial Applications-1  
OV-105 > Endeavour Space Shuttle  
PALACE FLOAT > Profiling Autonomous Lagrangian Circulation Explorer  
PAM > Portable Automated Mesonet  
PASSCAL > Program for Array Seismic Studies of the Continental Lithosphere  
PIBAL > Pilot Balloons  
PROFS > Program for Regional Observing and Forecast Systems Mesonet  
PROTEUS > Profile Telemetry of Upper Ocean Currents

QUIKSCAT > Quick Recovery Scatterometer  
RADARSAT-1  
RADIO TRANSMITTERS  
RADIOSONDES  
RESURS-01  
SAGE > Stratospheric Aerosol and Gas Experiment  
SATELLITES  
SEASAT > Ocean Dynamics Satellite  
SEASOAR  
SEISMOLOGICAL STATIONS>  
SHIPS  
SMM > Solar Maximum Mission  
SMS > Synchronous Meteorological Satellites  
SPACE SHUTTLES  
SPOT 1 > Systeme Probatoire Pour l'Observation de la Terre-1  
SPOT 2 > Systeme Probatoire Pour l'Observation de la Terre-2  
SPOT 3 > Systeme Probatoire Pour l'Observation de la Terre-3  
SPOT 4 > Systeme Probatoire Pour l'Observation de la Terre-4  
STARLETTE  
STELLA  
STS-2 > Space Transport System STS-2  
SUBMARINE  
TERRA > Earth Observing System> TERRA (AM-1)  
TIROS > Television Infrared Observation Satellite  
TIROS 7 > Television Infrared Operational  
TIROS-N > Television Infrared Observation Satellite-N  
TOPEX/POSEIDON > Ocean Topography Experiment  
TRITON > TRIangle Trans-Ocean Buoy Network  
TRMM > Tropical Rainfall Measuring Mission  
VANGUARD  
WEATHER STATIONS  
WTSS > Water Temperature and Salinity System  
ZODIACS



## ANNEX VI

### RECOMMENDED MEDI SENSOR VALIDS

#### Short Name > Long Name

1DP > 1D Particles Probe  
2DC > 2D Cloud Probe  
AA > Atomic Absorption Spectrometer  
AAS > Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometry  
ACCELEROMETERS  
ACOUSTIC RADAR  
ACOUSTIC SOUNDERS  
ACRIM > Active Cavity Radiometer Irradiance Monitor  
ACRIM II > Active Cavity Radiometer Irradiance Monitor II  
ACTINOMETER > Radiation Thermocouple Actinometer  
ADCP > Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler  
ADRAD > Texas Aggie Doppler Radar  
AERI > Atmospheric Emitted Radiance Interferometer  
AEROVANES  
AERS > Atmospheric/Emitted Radiation Sensor  
AIRGUN ARRAYS  
ALT (TOPEX) > TOPEX Radar Altimeter  
ALTIMETERS  
AMI > Active Microwave Instrument  
AMMR > Airborne Multichannel Microwave Radiometer  
AMSR > Advanced Microwave Scanning Radiometer  
AMSR-E > Advanced Microwave Scanning Radiometer-EOS  
ANEMOMETERS  
ANEROID BAROMETERS  
ANEROID PRESSURE SENSOR  
AOLFL > Airborne Oceanographic Lidar Fluorosensor  
ARMAR > Airborne Rain Mapping Radar  
ARP > Acoustic Recording Package  
ASTER > Advanced Spaceborne Thermal Emission and Reflection Radiometer  
ATM > Airborne Topographic Mapper  
ATSR > Along Track Scanning Radiometer and Microwave Sounder  
ATSR-2 > Along-Track Scanning Radiometer 2  
AUTOANALYZER  
AVAPS > Airborne Vertical Atmosphere Profiling Systems  
AVHRR > Advanced Very High Resolution Radiometer  
AVNIR > Advanced Visible and Near-Infrared Radiometer  
AWS > Automated Weather System  
BALANCE  
BAROMETERS  
BATHYPHOTOMETER  
BATHYTHERMOGRAPHS  
BEDLOAD SENSORS  
BIONESS  
BLIP > Boundary Layer Instrument Package  
BONGO NETS  
BOPS > Bio Optical Profiling System  
BOTTOM PRESSURE GAUGES  
BRTS > Background Radiometric Temperature Sensors  
CAMERAS  
CAPAC > Cloud and Aerosol Particle Characterization  
CASI > Compact Airborne Spectrographic Imager  
CEILOMETERS>  
CHN ANALYZERS > Carbon, Hydrogen, Nitrogen Analyzer  
CLASS > C-LORAN Atmospheric Sounding System  
CLOCKS  
CLOUD LIQUID WATER PROBE  
CLS > Cloud Lidar System  
CO2 ANALYZERS  
COLORIMETERS  
CONDUCTIVITY METERS

CORING DEVICES  
COULOMETERS  
CPI > Cloud Particle Imager  
CPR > Continuous Plankton Recorder  
CRWVA > Combined Recording Wind Vane Anemograph  
CTD > Conductivity, Temperature, Depth  
CUFES > Continuous Underway Fish Egg Sampling System  
CURRENT METERS>  
CZCS > Coastal Zone Color Scanner  
DADS > DC-8 DATA ACQUISITION AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM  
DC8 DROPSONDES  
DEWPOINT HYDROMETERS  
DIGITIZER  
DISDRMETERS  
DORIS > Doppler Orbitography and Radiopositioning Integrated by Satellite  
DREDGING DEVICES  
DRIFTING BUOYS  
DROGUES  
DROPSONDES  
DROPWINDSONDES  
DRY BULB THERMOMETERS  
ECHO SOUNDERS  
EDOP > ER2-Doppler Radar  
EGC > Electron Gas Chromatograph  
ELECTROMAGNETIC DIRECTION METER  
ELECTRON MICROPROBES  
EPSONDE  
EQUILIBRATORS  
ERB > Earth Radiation Budget  
ERBE > Earth Radiation Budget Experiment  
ERS WIND SCATTEROMETER  
ESMR > Electronic Scanning Microwave Radiometer  
FILTERABLE DEPOSIT JAR SAMPLER  
FLAME-IONIZATION DETECTOR  
FLASKS  
FLUORESCENCE MICROSCOPY  
FLUORESCENCE SPECTROSCOPY  
FLUOROMETERS  
FSSP > Forward Scattering Spectrometer Probe  
GAMMA RADIATION DETECTOR  
GAMMA RAY SPECTROMETERS  
GAS CHROMATOGRAPHS  
GEK > Geomagnetic Electrokinetographs  
GEOPHONES  
GLI > Global Imager  
GLORIA > Geological Long-Range Inclined ASDIC  
GOES I-M IMAGER  
GOES I-M SOUNDER  
GPS > Global Positioning System  
GPS RECEIVERS  
GRAB SAMPLERS  
GRAVIMETERS  
GUST PROBES  
HIRS > High Resolution Infrared Radiation Sounder  
HIRS/2 > High Resolution Infrared Radiation Sounder/2  
HPLC > High-Performance Liquid Chromatograph  
HRR > High Resolution Radiometer  
HRV > High Resolution Visible Imaging System  
HUMIDITY SENSORS  
HVPS > High Volume Particle Sampler  
HYDROMETERS  
HYDROPHONES  
HYGROMETERS  
HYGROTHERMOGRAPHS  
ICE AUGERS  
ICE STRESS SENSORS  
ICPAES > Inductively Coupled Plasma Atomic Emission Spectrometer  
ICPMS > Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometer

IES > Inverted Echo Sounders  
IMAGING RADAR SYSTEMS > Imaging Radar Systems, Real and Synthetic Aperture  
IMAGING RADIOMETERS  
INCLINOMETERS  
INFRARED RADIOMETERS  
INS > Inertial Navigation System  
INTERFEROMETERS  
ISS > Integrated Sounding System  
JPL LASER HYGROMETERS  
KEMMERER SAMPLER  
LASE > Lidar Atmospheric Sensing Experiment  
LASERS > Light Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation  
LIDAR > Light Detection and Ranging  
LIMS > Limb Infrared Monitor of the Stratosphere  
LIP > Lightning Instrument Package  
LIQUID CHROMATOGRAPHS  
LIS > Lightning Imaging Sensor  
LONG STREAMERS  
LORAN > Long Range Navigation  
LRA > Laser Retroreflector Array  
LRGM > Lacoste-Romberg Gravity Meter  
MAGNETOMETERS  
MAMS > Multispectral Mapping Atmospheric Sensor  
MAPS > Measurement of Air Pollution from Satellite  
MASS SPECTROMETERS  
MBT > Mechanical Bathythermographs  
MEIS > Multispectral Electro-optical Imaging Sensor  
MESSR > Multispectral Electronic Self-Scanning Radiometer  
MICROSCOPES  
MICROWAVE RADIOMETER  
MIR > Millimeter Imaging Radiometer  
MISR > Multi-Angle Imaging SpectroRadiometer  
MMS > Meteorological Measurement System  
MOCNESS > MOCNESS Plankton Net  
MODIS > Moderate-Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer  
MOS > Modular Optoelectronic Scanner  
MSR > Microwave Scanning Radiometer  
MSS > Multispectral Scanner  
MSU > Microwave Sounding Unit  
MSU-SK > Multichannel Middle Resolution Conical Scanner  
MULTICHANNEL FILTER RADIOMETERS  
MWA > Multiple Water Analyzer  
NANSEN BOTTLES > Nansen Water Sampling Bottles  
NAST-I > NPOESS Aircraft Sounder Testbed-Interferometer  
NAST-M > NPOESS Aircraft Sounder Testbed-Microwave Radiometer  
NAST-MTS > NPOESS Aircraft Microwave Temperature Sounder  
NAVREC > ER-2 NAV RECORDER  
NDIR GAS ANALYZER > Nondispersive Infrared Gas Analyzer  
NEPHELOMETERS  
NEXRAD > NEXT Generation RADar  
NISKIN BOTTLES  
NOAA PROFILER  
NORPAC ZOOPLANKTON NET  
NSCAT > NASA Scatterometer  
OCE > Ocean Color Experiment  
OCTS > Ocean Color and Temperature Scanner  
OFFI > Optical Free Fall Instrument  
OLS > Operational Linescan System  
OMEGASONDE  
OXYGEN ANALYZERS  
OXYGEN METERS  
PAR SENSORS > Phytosynthetically Active Radiation Sensors  
PARTICLE DETECTORS  
PARTICLE SPECTROMETERS  
PETROGRAPHIC MICROSCOPES  
PH METERS  
PHOTOMETERS  
PHOTOSYNTHETRON

PLANKTON NETS  
PMS > Particle Measuring System  
PR > TRMM Precipitation Radar  
PRARE > Precise Range and Range-Rate Equipment  
PRESSURE GAUGES  
PRESSURE SENSORS  
PRESSURE TRANSDUCERS  
PROBES  
PROFILERS  
PRT > Precision Radiation Thermometers  
PSR > Polarimetric Scanning Radiometer  
PSYCHROMETERS  
PYRANOGRAPHS  
PYRANOMETERS  
PYRGEOMETERS  
RA > ERS Radar Altimeter  
RA-2 > Radar Altimeter-2  
RADAR > Radio Detection and Ranging  
RADAR ALTIMETERS  
RADAR ECHO SOUNDERS  
RADIOMETERS  
RADIOSONDES  
RAIN GAUGES  
RASS > Radio Acoustic Sounding System  
RAWINSONDES  
ROCK CORERS  
ROCKETSONDES  
ROWS > Radar Ocean Wave Spectrometer  
RT > Reversing Thermometer  
SALINOMETERS  
SAR > Synthetic Aperture Radar  
SASS > SEASAT-A Scatterometer System  
SBT > Select-Level Bathythermographs  
SBUV/2 > Solar Backscatter Ultraviolet/2  
SCATTEROMETERS  
SCINTILLATION COUNTERS  
SCOR WP-2 ZOOPLANKTON NET  
SEAWIFS > Sea-Viewing Wide Field-of-View Sensor  
SEAWINDS > SeaWinds  
SECCHI DISKS  
SEDIMENT CORERS  
SEDIMENT METERS  
SEDIMENT TRAPS  
SEISMIC REFLECTION PROFILERS  
SEISMOGRAPHS  
SEISMOMETERS  
SFM > Spectrofluorometer  
SIDE-SCAN SONAR  
SIMS > Secondary Ion Mass Spectrometers  
SIRS > Satellite Infrared Spectrometer  
SLAR > Side-Looking Airborne Radar  
SLR > Satellite Laser Ranging  
SLS > Submillimeter Limb Sounder  
SMMR > Scanning Multichannel Microwave Radiometer  
SNOW MEASURING ROD  
SOLAR SIMULATORS  
SOLARIMETERS  
SOMMA > Single Operator Multiparameter Metabolic Analyzer  
SONAR > Sound Navigation and Ranging  
SONOBUOYS  
SOSUS > Sound Surveillance System  
SOUNDERS  
SPECIFIC ION METERS  
SPECTROGRAPHS  
SPECTROMETERS  
SPECTROPHOTOMETERS  
SPECTRORADIOMETERS  
SPOL > NCAR S-band Polarimetric Doppler Radar

SR > Scanning Radiometer  
SSALT > POSEIDON Solid State Radar Altimeter  
SSM/I > Special Sensor Microwave/Imager  
SSU > Stratospheric Sounding Unit  
STD > Salinity, Temperature, Depth  
STEEL MEASURING TAPE  
STREAM GAUGES  
SUN PHOTOMETERS  
SUSIM > Solar Ultraviolet Spectral Irradiance Monitor  
SWIR > Short Wavelength Infrared Radiometer  
SWMS > Surface Water Monitoring System  
TELESCOPES  
TEMPERATURE LOGGERS  
TEMPERATURE PROBES  
TEMPERATURE PROFILERS  
TEMPERATURE SENSORS  
THEODOLITE  
THERMISTORS  
THERMOMETERS  
THERMOSALINOGRAPHS  
THIR > Temperature-Humidity Infrared Radiometer  
TIDE GAUGES  
TM > Thematic Mapper  
TMI > TRMM Microwave Imager  
TMR > TOPEX Microwave Radiometer  
TOC > Total Organic Carbon Analyzer  
TOMS > Total Ozone Mapping Spectrometer  
TOVS > TIROS Operational Vertical Sounder  
TRANSMISSOMETERS  
TRANSPARENCY METER  
TRANSPONDERS  
TRAWL  
TUBBS TOWS  
TUCKER TRAWLS  
TURBIDITY METERS  
UPWARD LOOKING SONAR  
USIM > Underwater Spectral Irradiance Meter  
VAS > VISSR Atmospheric Sounder  
VIRR > Visible and Infrared Radiometer  
VISSR > Visible and Infrared Spin Scan Radiometer  
VISUAL OBSERVATIONS  
VLBI > Very Long Baseline Interferometry  
VNIR > Visible and Near Infrared Radiometer  
VOLTAGE METERS  
VOPC > Video Optical plankton Counter  
VPR > Video Plankton Recorder  
VTIR > Visible and Thermal Infrared Radiometer  
VTPR > Vertical Temperature Profile Radiometer  
WATER BOTTLES  
WATER LEVEL GAUGES  
WATERGUNS  
WAVE HEIGHT GAUGES  
WBS > Wide Band Spectrometer  
WELL LOGGING TOOLS  
WET BULB THERMOMETERS  
WET/DRY PRECIPITATION SAMPLERS  
WIND PROFILERS  
WIND VANES  
WINDII > Wind Imaging Interferometer  
WL/CR > WATER LEVEL/CLIMATE RECORDERS  
XBT > Expendable Bathythermographs  
XCP > Expendable Current Profiler  
XPOL > NOAA/ETL X-band Polarimetric Doppler Radar  
XRD > X-ray Diffractometer  
XRF > X-Ray Fluorescence Spectrometer  
XRPD > X-Ray Powder Diffractometer  
XSV > Expendable Sound Velocity Profilers



## ANNEX VII

### RECOMMENDED MEDI PROJECT VALIDS

#### Short Name > Long Name

ACCE > Atlantic Climate and Circulation Experiment  
ACDCA > Antarctic Inspections Cruise  
ACE > Advanced Composition Explorer (ACE) Project  
ACOUSTIC MONITORING, PMEL/NOAA  
AFEAS > Alternative Fluorocarbons Environmental Acceptability Study  
AIDJEX > Artic Ice Dynamics Joint Experiment  
AIMS/LMP > AIMS Long-term Monitoring Program  
AJAX  
ALACE > Airborne Laser Assessment of Coastal Erosion  
ALPEX > Alpine Experiment  
AMASSED > Amazon Shelf Sediment Study  
ANT-VI/3 > Structure of the Continental Margin in the Weddell Sea and Adjacent Areas  
ANT-VIII/5 > Structure of the Continental Margin in the Weddell Sea and Adjacent Areas  
ANT-X/2 > Structure of the Continental Margin in the Weddell Sea and Adjacent Areas  
ANT-XII/2 > Structure of the Continental Margin in the Weddell Sea and Adjacent Areas  
ANTPAC97 > " Geodynamics & Paleoceanography> Plate Boundaries N of Antarctic Peninsula"  
APIS > Antarctic Pack Ice Seals Project  
ARCSS/LAII/FLUX  
ARCSS/OAII/AOS > ARCSS/OAII/Arctic Ocean Section  
ARCSS/OAII/SHEBA > ARCSS/OAII/Surface Heat Budget of the Arctic Ocean  
ARCSS/SCICEX > ARCSS/Scientific Ice Expeditions  
ARCTIC CLIMATOLOGY PROJECT  
ARCTIC'91 > Structure of the Oceanic Lithosphere of the Arctic Ocean  
ARGAU > Argentine and French Austral Atlantic Ocean Project  
ARK-V/3B > Structure of the East Greenland Continental Margin  
ARK-VII/3B > Structure of the East Greenland Continental Margin  
ARK-X/2 > Structure of the East Greenland Continental Margin  
ARSLOE > Atlantic Remote Sensing Land/Ocean Experiment  
AVHRR PATHFINDER > AVHRR Land Dataset Program  
BBSR > Bermuda Biological Station for Research  
BD CARTO > French Cartographic Database  
BIOENERGETICA GAVIOTA COCINERA  
BIOLOGIA HUMANA Y MEDICINA  
BIOMASS > Biological Investigations of Marine Antarctic Systems and Stocks  
BIOQUIMICA APLICADA  
BIOQUIMICA\_APLICADA > Biochemical and Nutritional Studies on Antarctic  
BLAST > Bromine Latitudinal Air/Sea Transect  
BOFS > Biogeochemical Ocean Flux Study  
BOMEX > Barbados Oceanographic and Meteorological Experiment  
CALCOFI > California Cooperative Oceanic Fisheries Investigations  
CAMEX-3 > Convection and Moisture Experiment 3  
CAMP > California Monitoring Program  
CAV2000 > Campania Antartica De Verano Del IAA 2000  
CBR > Columbia Basin Research  
CCAMLR > Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources  
CCAP > Coastal Change Analysis Project  
CCCCS > Central California Coastal Circulation Study  
CEAREX > Coordinated Eastern Arctic Experiment  
CEPEX > Central Equatorial Pacific Experiment  
CGC > NOAA Climate and Global Change Program  
CHAMP > Coral Health and Monitoring Program  
CHARTERBOAT SURVEY>  
CIBAC  
CILAT

CISNET > Coastal Intensive Site Network  
 CLIMAP > Climate - Long Range Investigation, Mapping and Prediction  
 CLIVAR > Climate Variability  
 CMO > Coastal Mixing and Optics Program  
 COADS > Comprehensive Ocean Atmosphere Data Set  
 CODE > Coastal Ocean Dynamics Experiment  
 COLD > Coupled Ocean-Ice Linkages & Dynamics  
 CONFLUENCIA\_WEDDELL-SCOTIA  
 COP > Coastal Ocean Program  
 CORAL REEF ALLIANCE  
 CORE > Coastal Ocean Response Experiment  
 COROAS > Oceanic Circulation in the Western Region of the South Atlantic  
 CREDDP > Columbia River Estuary Data Development Program  
 CRYSYS > Variability and Change in the Cryospheric System in Canada  
 DENALI > Denali National Park and Preserve  
 DHARMA > " Diversity> Heterotrophy> Autotrophy & Relationship with Antarctic Microorganisms"  
 DINOCEANTAR > Dinamica\_Oceanica\_Antartica  
 DMSP > Defense Meteorological Satellite Program  
 DNAG > Decade of North American Geology  
 DODS > Distributed Oceanographic Data System  
 DOMES > Deep Ocean Mining Environmental Study  
 DUACS > Developing Use of Altimetry for Climate Studies  
 EASTROPAC > Eastern Tropical Pacific  
 ECOLOGIA\_DEL\_PLANKTON  
 EGMEX > Eastern Gulf of Mexico  
 EMPACT > Environmental Monitoring for Public Access and Community Tracking  
 EOLE  
 EOS > Earth Observing System  
 EOSAP > Earth Observing System Amazon Project  
 EOSDIS > Earth Observing System Data Information System  
 EPA GCRP > EPA Global Change Research Program  
 EPIC > Eastern Pacific Investigation of Climate  
 EPOCS > Equatorial Pacific Ocean Climate Studies  
 ERBE > Earth Radiation Budget Experiment  
 ERICA > Experiment Rapidly Intensifying Cyclones Atlantic  
 ERM > Exact Repeat Mission  
 EUBEX > Eurasian Basin Experiment  
 F DRAKE > First Dynamic Response and Kinematic Experiment in the Drake Passage  
 FASTEX > Fronts and Atlantic Storm Track Experiment  
 FIRE > First ISCCP Regional Experiment  
 FLEX  
 FLORENCE > FLux Oceaniques Restitues par bilan d'ENergie a la surface  
 FOCAL > Programme Francais Ocean et Climat dans l'Atlantique Equatorial  
 FOCI > Fisheries Oceanography Cooperative Investigation  
 FRAQS > Front Range Air Quality Study  
 FRENTEES\_OCEANICOS  
 GALE > Genesis of Atlantic Lows Experiment  
 GALVESTON BAY BAIT SURVEY>  
 GANOVEX VI > Aeromagnetic Investigations in North Victoria Land  
 GARP/FGGE > Global Atmospheric Research Program/First Garp Global Experiment (GARP/FGGE)  
 GATE > GARP Atlantic Tropical Experiment  
 GCCHP > Global Change Climate History Project  
 GCIP > GEWEX Continental-Scale International Project  
 GCOS > Global Climate Observing System  
 GCPS > Global Climate Perspectives System  
 GCTE > " Global Change and Terrestrial Ecosystems> IGBP"  
 GEIA > Global Emissions Inventory Activity  
 GEOSECS > Geochemical Ocean Section Study  
 GEWEX > Global Energy and Water Cycle Experiment  
 GHCN > Global Historical Climatology Network  
 GLOBEC > Global Ocean Ecosystem Dynamics, IGBP  
 GLOBEC-SO > Global Ocean Ecosystem Dynamics, Southern Ocean  
 GLOSS > Global Sea Level Observing System  
 GOALS > Global Ocean Atmosphere Land System  
 GOFC > Global Observation of Forest Cover

GOMPOP > Gulf of Mexico Physical Oceanography Program  
GOOS > Global Ocean Observing System  
GOSECS > Geochemical Ocean Secrions Study  
GPCC > Global Precipitation Climatology Centre  
GPCP > Global Precipitation Climatology Project  
GTOS > Global Terrestrial Observing System  
GULFCET II > Gulf of Mexico Cetacean Project II  
GUSREX > Gulf Stream Recirculation Experiment  
HIELOANTAR > Antarctic Glaciology  
HIFT > Heard Island Feasibility Test  
HOT > Hawaiian Ocean Time Series Project  
IAA ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM  
ICITA > International Cooperative Investigations of the Tropical Atlantic  
IDOE > International Decade of Ocean Exploration  
IDS > International DORIS Service (IDS)  
IERS > International Earth Rotation Service  
IGAC >" International Global Atmospheric Chemistry Project> IGBP"  
IGBP > International Geosphere-Biosphere Programme  
IGOSS > Integrated Global Ocean Services System  
IGS > International GPS Geodynamics Service  
INDIGO > Indien Gaz Ocean  
INTERCAMBIO\_CALORICO > Study of Food Intake, Calories and Heat Production in Humans in Antarctica  
INTERKOSMOS  
IPAB > International Program for Antarctic Buoys  
IPCC > Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change  
IPOD > International Phase of Ocean Drilling  
ISCCP > International Satellite Cloud Climatology Project  
ISLSCP > International Satellite Land Surface Climatology Project  
ISLSCP INITIATIVE-I > International Satellite Land Surface Climatology Project Initiative-I  
ISMEX  
ISOS > International Southern Ocean Studies  
IVS > International VLBI Service for Geodesy and Astrometry  
IXTOC  
JAPACS > Japanese Pacific Climate Studies  
JARE 18 > Japanese Antarctic Research Expedition 18  
JARE 20 > Japanese Antarctic Research Expedition 20  
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JARE 28 > Japanese Antarctic Research Expedition 28  
JARE 41 > Japanese Antarctic Research Expedition 41  
JARE > Japanese Antarctic Research Expedition  
JASIN78 > Joint Air-Sea Interaction Project  
JCOMM > Joint WMO/IOC Commission for Oceanography and Marine Meteorology  
JGOFS > Joint Global Ocean Flux Study, IGBP  
JONSDAP76 > Joint North Sea Data Acquisition Project  
JONSWAP > Joint North Sea Wave Project  
L-RERP > Puget Sound Long-Range Effects Program  
LAKE MICHIGAN ECOL. MONITOR  
LATEX > Louisiana-Texas Shelf Physical Oceanography Program  
LEADEx > Arctic Leads Experiment  
LEADS ARI > Office of Naval Research Arctic Leads Accelerated Research Initiative  
LMER > Land Margin Ecosystem Research Project  
LOICZ > Land-Ocean Interactions in the Coastal Zone, IGBP  
LOIS > Land Ocean Interaction Study  
LTER > Long-Term Ecological Research  
MAGIA > Structure, Stratigraphy> and Sedimentology North of the Antarctic Peninsula  
MARINE\_MAMMALS\_PROGRAM > Marine Mammals Dynamic Population in South Orkney Is. & South Shetland Is.  
MARIS > Multi Aquatic Resource Information System

MARMAP > Marine Resources, Monitoring, Assessment and Prediction  
 MARPOLMON  
 MASAR > Mid Atlantic Slope Rise Experiment  
 MEDALPEX > Mediterranean Alpine Experiment  
 MEDIO\_AMBIENTE  
 MERIT > Monitoring Earth Rotation and Intercompare Techniques  
 MESA > Marine Ecosystems Analysis (Puget Sound) Project  
 MISR > Multi-angle Imaging SpectroRadiometer  
 MIZEX > Marginal Ice Zone Experiment  
 MIZPAC > Marginal Sea Ice Zone Pacific  
 MOHAVE > Measurement of Haze and Visual Effects  
 MONEX > Monsoon Experiment  
 MONITOREO\_DE\_ECOSISTEMAS > Penguin Monitoring of Antarctic Peninsula, South  
 Orkney Is., South Shetland Is.  
 MRS > Marine Remote Sensing  
 NANSEN > North Atlantic Norwegian Sea Exchange  
 NASA/ESIP > NASA Earth Science Information Partners Program  
 NAWQA > National Water Quality Assessment Program  
 NCCCS > Northern California Coastal Circulation Study  
 NCTS > Northern California Transport Study  
 NEMO > New Millennium Observatory Project  
 NEMP > Northeast Monitoring Program  
 NERR > National Estuarine Research Reserve  
 NEXRAD > NEXt Generation Weather RADar  
 NGDRS > National Geoscience Data Repository System  
 NICAL  
 NOAA/NASA PATHFINDER > NOAA/NASA Pathfinder Program  
 NODC/COL > Coastal Ocean Laboratory, National Oceanographic Data Center,  
 NOAA  
 NORPAX > North Pacific Shuttle Experiment  
 NORSWAM > North Sea Wave Model  
 NS&T > National Status and Trends Program  
 NSTS > Nearshore Sediment Transport Study  
 NWI > National Wetlands Inventory  
 OAXTC > Ocean/Atmosphere Exchange of Trace Compounds  
 OCEAN > Ocean Color European Archive Network  
 OCEANOGRAFIA\_COSTERA  
 OCRS > Ocean Color Remote Sensing  
 OCS > Outer Continental Shelf Program  
 OCSEAP > Ocean Continental Shelf Environmental Assessment Project  
 ODP/DSDP > Ocean Drilling Program / Deep Sea Drilling Program  
 ONR OCEAN OPTICS > Office of Naval Research Ocean Optics  
 OOFASH > Oceanographic Observations of Fisheries at the Adjacent Seas of  
 Hokkaido  
 OPUS > Observations of Persistent Upwelling Structures  
 OTEC > Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion  
 PACS > Pan-American Climate Studies  
 PAGES > Past Global Changes, IGBP  
 PFSFC > Project on the Forecast of Sea and Fishing Conditions  
 PNRA > Programma Nazionale di Ricerche in Antartide  
 POLES > Polar Exchange at the Sea Surface  
 POLYMODE  
 PREOPERATIONAL SURVEY OF A DUMP > Preoperational Survey of a Dumping Site of  
 Low-Level Radioactive Wastes  
 PRISM > Pleistocene> Research, Interpretation> and Synoptic Mapping Project  
 PROBES > Processes and Resources of the Bering Sea Shelf  
 PYS > Project of Yatsushiro Sea  
 RECURSOS\_MINERALES > El Permafrost en la Peninsula Antartica  
 REEF > Reef Environmental Education Foundation  
 REEF RELIEF > Reef Relief Organization  
 ROME  
 ROSE > Rural Oxident in a Southern Environment  
 SAGE I > Stratospheric Aerosol and Gas Experiment I  
 SAGE II > Stratospheric Aerosol and Gas Experiment II  
 SAHFOS > Sir Alister Hardy Foundation for Ocean Science  
 SBC/SMB > Santa Barbara Channel/Santa Marine Basin Study  
 SBOS > Santa Barbara Channel Study  
 SCCWRP > Southern California Coastal Water Research Project

SCICEX > Scientific Ice Expeditions  
SCTS > Southern California Transport Study  
SEAS > Shipboard Environmental Aquisition System  
SEATAR > Studies of East Asia Tectonics and Resources  
SEAWIFS > Sea-viewing Wide Field-of-view Sensor  
SEQUAL > Seasonal Response of the Equatorial Atlantic  
SHEBA > Surface Heat Budget of the Arctic Ocean  
SICPP > Seasonal-to-Interannual Climate Prediction Program  
SIESIP > Seasonal to Inter-annual Earth Science Information Partners  
SIID-SMARA > Sea Ice and Iceberg Drift Project, Servicio Meteorologico de la Armada  
SIMBIOS > Sensor Intercomparison Merger for Biological Interdisciplinary Oceanic Studies  
SIZEX > Seasonal Ice Zone Experiment  
SJVAQS > San Joaquin Valley Air Quality Study  
SMILE > Shelf Mixed Layer Experiment  
SOUTH.CAL.OCS BASELINE  
SPACC > Small Pelagic Fish and Climate Change, GLOBEC  
SPECMAP  
SPREX > Spring Removal Experiment  
STACS  
STERNA92  
STREX > Storm Transfer and Response Experiment  
TBS  
TCM-90 > Tropical Cyclone Motion  
TEFLUN > Texas Florida Underflights Field Experiments  
TEFLUN-A > Texas Florida Underflights Field Experiment A  
TEFLUN-B > Texas Florida Underflights Field Experiments B  
TIWE > Tropical Instability Wave Experiment  
TOGA > Tropical Ocean Global Atmosphere  
TOGA COARE > TOGA Coupled Ocean Atmosphere Response Experiment  
TOVS PATHFINDER > TOVS Path A  
TRANSPAC  
TTO > Transient Tracers Oceans Experiment  
TWERLE  
UNEP/GRID > UNEP/Global Resources Information Database  
USARP > U.S. Antarctic Research Program  
UV-B JUBANY  
VENTS > VENTS Program, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory  
VIVALDI91  
VOCAR > Variability of Coastal Atmospheric Refraction  
WAMEX > West African Monsoon Experiment  
WAVEMOD  
WCMC > World Conservation Monitoring Centre's Marine and Coastal Programme  
WCRP > World Climate Research Program  
WEPOLEX > Weddell Polynya Expedition  
WERATLAS  
WOCE > World Ocean Circulation Experiment  
WQSBMP > Water Quality Research of Shizugawa Bay of Miyagi Prefecture



## ANNEX VIII

### RECOMMENDED MEDI DATA CENTRE VALIDS

#### Short Name > Long Name

AADC > Australian Antarctic Data Centre  
ACZISC SECRETARIAT > Atlantic Coastal Zone Information Steering Committee Secretariat  
AEDC/UK > Antarctic Environmental Data Centre  
AFI > Aquarius Flight Inc.  
AGI > American Geological Institute  
AIMS > Australian Institute of Marine Science  
ALTERRA > ALTERRA, Texel  
AMRC > Antarctic Meteorological Research Center  
AODC > Australian Oceanographic Data Centre  
ASDC > Atmospheric Sciences Data Center, NASA Langley  
ASDLS > Antarctic Seismic Data Library System  
ASF > Alaska SAR Facility  
ASF DAAC > Alaska SAR Facility Distributed Active Archive Center  
AVISO > Archiving, Validation and Interpretation of Satellite Oceanographic Data  
AWI > Alfred Wegener Institute for Polar and Marine Research  
BADC > British Atmospheric Data Centre  
BBSR > Bermuda Biological Station for Research  
BIGELOW LABORATORY > Bigelow Laboratory of Ocean Sciences  
BIO/F&O > Fisheries and Oceans Bedford Institute of Oceanography Ocean Sciences Division  
BISHOP MUSEUM > Bishop Museum Department of Natural Sciences  
BODC > British Oceanographic Data Centre  
BOM > Bureau of Meteorology, Australia  
CABI > CAB International  
CAL/DWR > California Department of Water Resources  
CANADAX > Canadax Industrial Group Limited  
CBOS > Chesapeake Bay Observing System  
CBP > Chesapeake Bay Program  
CCMA > Canadian Centre for Climate Modelling and Analysis  
CCRS/GC/NRCAN > Canada Centre for Remote Sensing, GC, NRCAN  
CDA > Centro de Datos Antarticos, Argentina  
CDIAC > Carbon Dioxide Information Analysis Center, DOE  
CEADO > Centro Argentino de Datos Oceanograficos  
CEDARE > Centre for Environment and Development for the Arab Region and Europe  
CEDO > Centro Espanol de Datos Oceanograficos  
CENDOC > Centro Nacional de Datos Oceanograficos de Chile  
CENPAT > Patagonian National Centre  
CERB > Centro de Estudios de Recursos Bioticos  
CERC > Coastal Engineering Research Center  
CERC/FRF > Coastal Engineering Research Center, Field Research Facility  
CFS > Canadian Forest Service  
CFS/GLFC > Canadian Forest Service, Great Lakes Forestry Centre, NRCAN  
CH > Chadwyck-Healey Inc.  
CHL > Chadwyck-Healey Limited  
CHS > Chadwyck-Healey Inc. of Spain  
CICESE > Centro de Investigacion Cientifica y de Educacion Superior de Ensenada  
CIMSS > Cooperative Institute for Meteorological Satellite Studies  
CMO/GC/NRCAN > Canada Map Office, Centre for Topographic Information, Geomatics Canada, Natural Resources Canada  
CN-NADC > National Antarctic Data Center of China  
CNODC > China National Oceanographic Data Center  
CNR/IMGA > Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche/Istituto per lo studio delle Metodologie Geofisiche Ambientali  
COBA > Centro Oceanografico Buenos Aires  
COLA > Center for Ocean-Land-Atmosphere Studies  
CORAL > Coral Reef Alliance  
CRSSA/CC > Center for Remote Sensing and Spatial Analysis, Cook College  
CRU > Climatic Research Unit, University of East Anglia  
CSIC > Instituto de Ciencias del Mar

CSUOHIO/CESTP > Cleveland State University, Center for Environmental Science,  
 Technology and Policy  
 CU - CLEMSON/BFSI > Baruch Forest Institute, Clemson University  
 CU - CORNELL > Cornell University  
 CWS > Canadian Wildlife Service  
 DACEOU > Department of Applied Chemistry and Engineering, Oita University  
 DALHOUSIE > Dalhousie University  
 DARDNI > Department of Agriculture and Rural Development for Northern Ireland,  
 Belfast  
 DEPK > Department of Environment and Pollution, Kumamoto Prefecture  
 DEYP > Department of Environment Yamanashi Prefecture  
 DHETP > Department of Health and Environment Tokushima Prefecture  
 DIASHU > Department of Integrated Arts and Sciences, Hiroshima University  
 DIFRES > Danish Institute for Fisheries Research  
 DKRZ > Deutsches Klimarechenzentrum GmbH  
 DLR/DFD > German Remote Sensing Data Center, Deutsches  
 Fernerkundungsdatenzentrum (DFD)  
 DNR > Department of Natural Resources - Queensland, Australia  
 DOD > Deutsches Ozeanographisches Datenzentrum  
 DOI/MMS/GOMR > Gulf of Mexico Outer Continental Shelf Region, Minerals  
 Management Service, U.S. Department of the Interior  
 DOI/NPS/DNP > Denali National Preserve, National Park Service, U.S. Department  
 of Interior  
 DOI/USGS/NEIC > National Earthquake Information Center, U.S. Geological  
 Survey, U.S. Department of the Interior  
 DRA > Defense Research Agency  
 DVNII > Far East Research Institute for Hydrometeorology  
 EC > Environment Canada  
 EC/CCIW > Environment Canada, Canada Centre for Inland Waters  
 EC/CIS > Environment Canada - Canadian Ice Service  
 EC/MSC/CCRM > Climate Monitoring and Data Interpretation Division,  
 Meteorological Service of Canada, Environment Canada  
 EDC DAAC > EROS Data Center Distributed Active Archive Center  
 EDIMAR > Estacion de Investigaciones Marinas Isla Margarita - FLASA  
 EESD/LANL > Earth & Environmental Sciences Division/Los Alamos National  
 Laboratory  
 EIC/ITE > Environmental Information Centre at the Institute of Terrestrial  
 Ecology  
 ELSEVIER > Elsevier Science Inc.  
 ELTU > Environmental Laboratory Tohoku University  
 EMI/UOT > Estonian Marine Institute, University of Tartu  
 EOC > Earth Observation Center  
 EPA > Environmental Protection Agency  
 ESA/ESRIN APP-AEU > European Space Agency/ESRIN Remote Sensing Services  
 ESIP/MP > Earth Science Information Partners Federation Marketplace  
 EURIMAGE SCRL  
 FAO > Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations  
 FAO/FI > Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Fisheries  
 Department  
 FCIHE > Fukuoka-City Institute for Hygiene and Environment  
 FIMR > Finnish Institute of Marine Research  
 FLA/DEP/FMRI > Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Florida Marine  
 Research Institute  
 FO > Fisheries and Oceans, Canada  
 FSE/SUT-NISHIMURA LABORATORY > Faculty of Science and Engineering, Science  
 University of Tokyo, Nishimura Lab.  
 FSPFES > Fukushima Prefecture Fisheries Experiment Station  
 FSU > Florida State University  
 FSU/ARF > Antarctic Research Facility, Department of Geosciences, Florida  
 State University  
 FSU/COAPS > Florida State University Center for Ocean-Atmospheric Prediction  
 Studies  
 FUB > Free University of Berlin  
 FWIE > Fish and Wildlife Information Exchange, Virginia Tech  
 FWS/ALASKA > U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Alaska  
 GC/NRCAN > Geomatics Canada, NRCAN  
 GCIP > GCIP Project Office  
 GDCEDC > GALE, ERICA Data Center, Drexel University

GETECH > Geophysical Exploration Technology  
GFZ > Geo Research Center Potsdam  
G-JGOFS-PDM > German JGOFS Project Data Management  
GKSS > GKSS Forschungszentrum GmbH Geesthacht, Germany  
GLCF > Global Land Cover Facility  
GMU > George Mason University  
GRDC > Global Runoff Data Center  
GSC/NRCAN > Geological Survey of Canada, NRCAN  
GSFC\_DAAC > Goddard Space Flight Center Distributed Active Archive Center, NASA  
GSJ > Geological Survey of Japan  
GSNSE/KU > Graduate School of Natural Science and Engineering, Kanazawa University  
GWC > Gulf Weather Corporation  
HCFES > Hokkaido Central Fisheries Experimental Station  
HE > Hamilton Exploration  
HNHS > Hellenic Navy Hydrographic Service  
HPFES > Hyogo Prefectural Fisheries Experimental Station  
HTHAEC > H.T. Harvey and Associates, Ecological Consultants  
HWU > Heriott-Watt University, UK  
IAA > Instituto Antartico Argentino  
IACR > Institute of Arable Crops Research-Rothamsted  
ICES/MDC > Marine Data Centre, International Council for the Exploration of the Sea  
ICES/SVC\_HYDR > International Council for the Exploration of the Sea, Service Hydrographique  
ICLARM > International Center for Living Aquatic Resources Management  
ICPRB > Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin  
IDI > Intermountain Digital Imaging  
IFM > Institut fuer Meereskunde, Kiel, Germany  
IFREMER/CERSAT > IFREMER Centre ERS d'Archivage et de Traitement  
IFREMER/CORIOLIS > CORIOLIS Data Service, IFREMER  
IFREMER/LEH > IFREMER Laboratoire Ecologie halieutique  
IFREMER/SISMER > IFREMER Systemes d'Informations Scientifiques pour la Mer, France  
IGBP/IGAC/GEIA > Global Emissions Inventory Activity, International Global Atmospheric Chemistry, IGBP  
IGNE > IGN ESPACE  
IGPO > International GEWEX Project Office  
IISTU > Institute of Industrial Science, Tokyo University  
IMDC > Irish Marine Data Centre  
IMR > Institute of Marine Research, Bergen, Norway  
INFOMAR > INFOMAR Inc.  
INOCAR > Instituto Oceanografico de la Armada  
INODC > Indian National Oceanographic Data Centre  
INPE/CPTEC > Centro de Previsao de Tempo e Estudos Climaticos  
INPE/DSM > INPE Divisao de Sensoriamento Remoto  
IOF > Institute of Oceanography and Fisheries  
IOS > Institute of Ocean Sciences, Sidney, B.C  
IOW > Institut fur Ostseeforschung, Germany  
IPCR > The Institute of Physical and Chemical Research  
IPIC > IRIS PASSCAL Instrument Center  
IPIMAR > Instituto de Investigacao das Pescas e do Mar, Portugal  
IRIS > Incorporated Research Institutions for Seismology  
ISIRC > International Soil Reference and Information Centre  
IUCN/SSC/AFESG > African Elephant Specialist Group - Species Survival Commission - WCU  
IUI > Interuniversity Institute for Marine Sciences, Israel  
IUPUI/GEOL > Department of Geology, Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis  
JAMSTEC > Japan Marine Science and Technology Center  
JHU/APL > Applied Physics Laboratory, Johns Hopkins University  
JISAO > Joint Institute for the Study of the Atmosphere and Ocean, U. Washington  
JMA > Japan Meteorological Agency  
JODC > Japan Oceanographic Data Center  
JPL/PODAAC > Physical Oceanography Distributed Active Archive Center

JRC/SAI > Space Applications Institute at Joint Research Center (JRC), Ispra (VA) /Italy  
 KODC > Korean Oceanographic Data Center  
 KOPFES > Kochi Prefectural Fisheries Experimental Station  
 KORDI > Korea Ocean Research and Development Institute  
 KOSMOS > Kosmos Z & K  
 KPFES > Kanagawa Prefectural Fisheries Experimental Station  
 KUDA > Kuwait Data Archive  
 LANDCARE RESEARCH,  
 LAVAL > Laval University  
 LDEO > Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory  
 LDEO/IRI > International Research Institute for Climate Prediction, Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory  
 LMER/CRETM/UW > University of Washington, Columbia River Estuarine Turbidity Maximum Project  
 LMER/CRRL > Columbia River Research Laboratory, LMER  
 LTER/FCE > Florida Coastal Everglades, Long-Term Ecological Research Network Office  
 LTER/PALMER > Palmer Research Station, Long Term Ecological Research Program  
 LTER/PIE/MBL > Marine Biological Laboratory, Plum Island Ecosystem  
 MACLAREN > MacLaren Plansearch Ltd/ SNC/Lavalin Inc  
 MARF/EUMETSAT > Meteorological Archive Retrieval Facility/ EUMETSAT  
 MARLAB > Marine Laboratory Aberdeen, UK  
 MARTEC > Martec, Ltd  
 MBARI > Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute  
 MBL/LTER > Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole  
 MDDNR > Maryland Department of Natural Resources  
 MEDIAS > Support Office for Regional Research on Global Environmental Change  
 MEDS > Marine Environmental Data Service  
 MERI > Marine Ecology Research Institute  
 MIAS > Marine Information & Advisory Service  
 MIC > Meteorological Information Center (JWA)  
 MID/YUK > Mining Inspection Division, Yukon Region, DIAND  
 MLML > Moss Landing Marine Laboratories  
 MMS/POCS > Mineral Management Service, Pacific OCS Region  
 MODB > Mediterranean Oceanic Data Base  
 MPFES > Miyagi Prefectural Fisheries Experimental Station  
 MPI > Max Planck Institute  
 MRJ INC  
 MRSC > Manitoba Remote Sensing Centre, Manitoba, Canada  
 MSC/EC > Meteorological Service of Canada, EC  
 MSL/NRIS > Montana State Library/Natural Resource Information System  
 MSU/LTER > Michigan State University, Kellogg Biological Station (KBS)  
 NASA/GISS > Goddard Institute for Space Studies, NASA  
 NASA/GSFC/LHP/HSB > Hydrological Sciences Branch, Laboratory for Hydrospheric Processes, GSFC, NASA  
 NASA/GSFC/LHP/OIB > Oceans and Ice Branch, Laboratory for Hydrospheric Processes, GSFC, NASA  
 NASA/GSFC/LTP/CDDIS > Crustal Dynamics Data Information System, Laboratory for Terrestrial Physics, NASA/GSFC  
 NASA/GSFC/LTP/GD > Geodynamics Branch, Laboratory for Terrestrial Physics, GSFC, NASA  
 NASA/GSFC/NSSDC > National Space Science Data Center, Goddard Space Flight Center, NASA  
 NASA/JPL/AIRSEA > Air - Sea Interaction & Climate, Jet Propulsion Laboratory, NASA  
 NASA/JPL/OCEANESIP > Ocean ESIP, Jet Propulsion Laboratory, NASA  
 NASA/MSFC/GHRC > Global Hydrology Resource Center, Marshall Space Flight Center, NASA  
 NASDA/EOC > National Space Development Agency of Japan/Earth Observation Center  
 NASDA/EORC > National Space Development Agency of Japan/Earth Observation Research Center  
 NATUUR > Natuur and Techniek  
 NAVOCEANO > U.S. Naval Oceanographic Office  
 NAVY/NOAA JIC > Joint Ice Center  
 NBDNRE > New Brunswick Department of Natural Resources and Energy  
 NCAR > National Center for Atmospheric Research  
 NCAR/ATD > Atmospheric Technology Division, NCAR

NCAR/DSS > Data Support Section, NCAR  
NCAR/SCD/MSS > Scientific Computing Division, Mass Storage System, NCAR  
NCMR > National Centre For Marine Research  
NERC/DU > National Environment Research Council, Dundee University  
NERSC > Nansen Environmental and Remote Sensing Centre  
NFLD/DFAQ > Newfoundland and Labrador Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture  
NFLDDME > Newfoundland and Labrador Department of Mines and Energy  
NIBH > National Institute of Bioscience and Human Technology  
NIES > National Institute for Environmental Studies  
NIMA > National Imagery and Mapping Agency (NIMA)  
NIOZ > Netherlands Institute for Sea Research  
NIPR > National Institute of Polar Research  
NMDC/IMR > Institute of Marine Research, Norwegian Marine Data Centre  
NOAA/CBO > NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office  
NOAA/CSC > NOAA Coastal Services Center  
NOAA/NCCOS/CCMA > Center for Coastal Monitoring and Assessment, NOAA  
NOAA/NESDIS/NCDC > National Climatic Data Center, NOAA  
NOAA/NESDIS/NGDC > National Geophysical Data Center, NOAA  
NOAA/NESDIS/NODC > National Oceanographic Data Center, NOAA  
NOAA/NESDIS/NODC/COL > Coastal Ocean Laboratory, National Oceanographic Data Center, NOAA  
NOAA/NESDIS/NODC/LISD > Library Services Information Division, NOAA  
NOAA/NESDIS/ORA/LSA > Laboratory for Satellite Altimetry, NOAA  
NOAA/NESDIS/OSDPD > Office of Satellite Data Processing and Distribution, NOAA  
NOAA/NGDC/WDC-MGG > World Data Center for Marine Geology & Geophysics, National Geophysical Data Center, NOAA  
NOAA/NMFS/AFSC/NMML > National Marine Mammal Laboratory, Alaska Fisheries Science Center, NOAA/NMFS  
NOAA/NMFS/FSED > Fisheries Statistics and Economics Division, NMFS  
NOAA/NMFS/NEFSC > Northeast Fisheries Science Center, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA  
NOAA/NMFS/OREI > Office of Research and Environmental Information, NOAA  
NOAA/NMFS/OST > Office of Science & Technology, NOAA  
NOAA/NMFS/SEFSC > Southeast Fisheries Science Center, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA  
NOAA/NMFS/SWFSC > Southwest Fisheries Science Center, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA  
NOAA/NMFS/SWFSC/PFEL > Pacific Fisheries Environmental Laboratory, Southwest Fisheries Science Center, NOAA/NMFS  
NOAA/NOS/COP > Coastal Ocean Program, National Ocean Service, NOAA  
NOAA/NOS/NCCOS > National Centers for Coastal Ocean Science  
NOAA/NOS/NGS > National Geodetic Survey, NOAA  
NOAA/NOS/OCRM/NERR > National Estuarine Research Reserve, NOAA  
NOAA/NOS/OCS/CSDL > Coast Survey Development Laboratory, NOAA  
NOAA/NOS/OCS/HSD > Hydrographic Surveys Division, NOAA  
NOAA/NOS/OCS/MCD > Marine Chart Division, NOAA  
NOAA/NOS/OCS/OPSD > Oceanographics Products and Services Division, NOAA  
NOAA/NOS/ORCA/CMBAD > Coastal Monitoring and Bioeffects Assessment Division, NOAA  
NOAA/NOS/ORCA/HAZMAT > Hazardous Materials Response and Assessment Division, NOAA  
NOAA/NOS/ORCA/SEA > Strategic Environmental Assessment Division, NOAA  
NOAA/NOS/SPO > National Ocean Service Special Projects Office, NOAA  
NOAA/NWS/BOSTON > Boston Massachusetts Forecast Office, NOAA  
NOAA/NWS/NCEP > National Centers for Environmental Prediction, NOAA  
NOAA/NWS/NCEP/CPC > Climate Prediction Center, NOAA  
NOAA/NWS/NCEP/CPC/WRCC > Western Regional Climate Center, NOAA  
NOAA/NWS/NDBC > National Data Buoy Center  
NOAA/NWS/PTWC > Pacific Tsunami Warning Center, NOAA  
NOAA/NWS/TALLAHASSEE > Tallahassee Forecast Office, NOAA  
NOAA/OAR/AOML > Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratory, NOAA  
NOAA/OAR/ARO > NOAA Arctic Research Office  
NOAA/OAR/CMDL > Climate Monitoring Diagnostics Laboratory, NOAA  
NOAA/OAR/CMDL/HATS > Halocarbons and other Trace Species Group, NOAA  
NOAA/OAR/ERL/ARL > Air Resources Laboratory, NOAA  
NOAA/OAR/ERL/CDC > Climate Diagnostics Center, NOAA  
NOAA/OAR/ERL/ETL > Environmental Technology Laboratory, NOAA  
NOAA/OAR/ERL/GLERL > Great Lakes Environmental Research Laboratory, NOAA

NOAA/OAR/ERL/NSSL > National Severe Storms Laboratory, NOAA  
 NOAA/OAR/ERL/WPL > Wave Propagation Laboratory, NOAA  
 NOAA/OAR/PMEL > Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory, NOAA  
 NOAA/OAR/PMEL/TAO > Tropical Atmosphere Ocean Project, Pacific Marine Env. Lab., NOAA  
 NOAA/OAR/SEAS > Shipboard Environmental (Data) Aquisition System, NOAA  
 NOAA-SAA > NOAA/NESDIS Satellite Active Archive  
 NOD > Norsk Oseanografisk Datasenter  
 NODC/BULGARIA > National Oceanographic Data Center, Bulgaria  
 NODC/PAKISTAN > Pakistan National Oceanographic Data Centre  
 NPS > Naval Postgraduate School  
 NRIFS > National Research Institute of Fisheries Science  
 NRSC > National Remote Sensing Centre Ltd, UK  
 NS/SRC > Nova Scotia Sport and Recreation Commission  
 NSAF/FAS/AD > Nova Scotia Department Agriculture and Fisheries, Fisheries and Aquaculture Services, Aquaculture Division  
 NSAF/IDBSB/MSD > Nova Scotia Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, Industry Development and Business Services Branch, Marketing Services Division  
 NSIDC > National Snow and Ice Data Center  
 NSIDC\_AGDC > NSIDC Antarctic Glaciological Data Center  
 NSIDC\_ARCSS > Arctic System Science Data Coordination Center  
 NSIDC\_DAAC > NSIDC Distributed Active Archive Center  
 NSIDC\_NOAA > National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration  
 NTIS > National Technical Information Service  
 NZAI/ANZ > Antarctica New Zealand, New Zealand Antarctic Institute  
 OCEANOR > Oceanographic Company of Norway AS  
 ODP > Ocean Drilling Program  
 OGS > Osservatorio Geofisisco Sperimentale - Geofisica della Litosfera  
 ONE MADAGASCAR > Office National pour L'Environnement, Madagascar  
 ORNL\_DAAC > Oak Ridge National Laboratory Distributed Active Archive Center  
 ORSTOM > L'Institut Francais de Recherche Scientifique pour le Developpement en Cooperation  
 OS > Ordnance Survey, UK National Mapping Agency  
 OSU - OREGON > Oregon State University  
 OSU/CPSU > Cooperative Park Studies Unit, Oregon State University  
 OSU/LTER > Oregon State University, H.J. Andrews LTER Site  
 PACINST > Pacific Institute for Studies in Development, Environment, and Security  
 PES > Planet Earth Science  
 PINRO > Polar Research Institute of Marine Fisheries and Oceanography  
 PML > Plymouth Marine Laboratory, UK  
 PNRA > Italian Program for Antarctic Research  
 POL > Proudman Oceanographic Laboratory  
 POLES > Polar Exchange at the Sea Surface  
 PPCO > Phillips Petroleum Company  
 PSMSL > Permanent Service for Mean Sea Level  
 PSU/EMS > Earth and Mineral Sciences, Pennsylvania State University  
 PWRI > Public Works Research Institute, Ministry of Construction  
 QUB > Queen's University, Belfast  
 RAN/HYDRO > Royal Australian Navy, Hydrographic Office  
 RAS/ICMMG/NTL > Novosibirsk Tsunami Laboratory, Institute of Computational Mathematics and Mathematical Geophysics, Russian Academy of Sciences  
 REEF > Reef Environmental Education Foundation  
 REEF RELIEF > Reef Relief Organization  
 RHS > Regional Hydrometeorological Service  
 RIAMKU > Research for Applied Mechanics Kyushu University  
 RITI > Reading Information Technology, Inc.  
 RNODC > Russian National Oceanographic Data Centre RIHMI-WDC  
 RSDAS > Remote Sensing Data Analysis Service, Plymouth Marine Laboratory, UK  
 RSFDCE > Russian State Fund of Data on Condition of Environment  
 RSI > RADARSAT International  
 RSL/SUT > Remote Sensing Laboratory, Science University of Tokyo  
 RU > Rutgers University  
 RU - RICE > Rice University  
 RUG > University of Groningen  
 RWS-RIKZ > Rijksinstituut voor Kust en Zee (Institute for Marine and Coastal Management)  
 SAHFOS > Sir Alister Hardy Foundation for Ocean Science

SAMS > Scottish Association for Marine Science  
SCCWRP > Southern California Coastal Water Research Project  
SEDAC > Socioeconomic Data and Applications Center  
SEYCHELLES FISHING AUTHORITY,  
SFU > Simon Fraser University  
SHIRSHOV > Shirshov Institute of Oceanology  
SIO/C4 > SIO Center for Clouds Chemistry and Climate  
SIO/CCS > Scripps Institution of Oceanography, Center for Coastal Studies  
SIO/GRD > Geosciences Research Division, Scripps Institution of Oceanography  
SIO/JEDAC > Scripps Institution of Oceanography, Joint Environmental Data Analysis Center  
SIO/MLRG > Scripps Institution of Oceanography, Marine Life Research Group  
SIO/PORD > Scripps Institution of Oceanography, Physical Oceanography Research Division  
SIO/SSF > Scripps Institution of Oceanography, Satellite Facility  
SMHI > Swedish Meteorological and Hydrological Institute  
SMRL > Seaconsult Marine Research Ltd.  
SNSMR/NSGC > Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, Registry and Information Management Services, Nova Scotia Geomatics Centre  
SOC > Southampton Oceanography Centre  
SOUTHAMPTON/SOBS > University of Southampton, School of Biological Sciences, UK  
SPOT IMAGE,  
SSEOP > Space Shuttle Earth Obs. Phot. Database, NASA  
TAMU/GERG > Texas A&M University, Geochemical & Environmental Research Group  
TAMU/OCEAN > Texas A&M University, Department of Oceanography  
TCIPO > TOGA COARE International Project Office  
TNAU > Tamil Nadu Agricultural University  
TNCMT > Toba National College of Maritime Technology  
TSS > Tromsø Satellite Station  
UAF/GDC > Univ. of Alaska Fairbanks, GeoData Center, Geophysical Institute  
UAF/IMS > Institute of Marine Science, University of Alaska Fairbanks  
UAS/IBSS > Ukrainian Academy of Science, Institute of Biology of the Southern Seas  
UAS/MHI > Ukrainian Academy of Sciences/Marine Hydrophysical Institute (MHI)  
UBC > University of British Columbia  
UC/CCAR > Colorado Center for Astrodynamics Research, University of Colorado  
UCAR/JOSS > University Corporation for Atmospheric Research Joint Office for Science Support  
UCAR/NOAA/JOSS/CODIAC > UCAR JOSS Cooperative Distributed Interactive Atmospheric Catalog System  
UCI > University of California, Irvine  
UCONN > University of Connecticut  
UCSB > University of California, Santa Barbara  
UCSB/ICESS > Institute for Computational Earth System Science, University of California Santa Barbara  
UCSB/OPL > University of California, Santa Barbara, Ocean Physics Laboratory  
UCSD/SIO/IGPP > Institution of Geophysics and Planetary Physics, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, University of California, San Diego  
UCT\_OCEAN > University of Cape Town Department of Oceanography  
UDEG > Universidad de Concepcion, Chile  
UDEL/GEOG > University of Delaware, Department of Geography  
UH > University of Hawaii  
UH/METO > Meteorology Department, University of Hawaii  
UH/SAC > Shipboard Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler Center, University of Hawaii  
UH/SLC > Sea Level Center, University of Hawaii  
UH/SOEST > School of Ocean and Earth Science and Technology, University of Hawaii  
UHAM/CMCR > University of Hamburg Centre for Marine and Climate Research  
UHH/KMEC > Kalakaua Marine Education Center, University of Hawaii at Hilo  
UHI > University of Highlands and Islands, UK  
UI > University of Illinois  
UIB > University of Bergen  
UKEA/NCEMS > UK Environment Agency, National Centre for Environmental Monitoring and Surveillance  
UMASS/GEOL > University of Mass., Dept. of Geosciences  
UMD/MDSG > University of Maryland, Maryland Sea Grant

UMD/METO > University of Maryland Meteorology Dept.  
 UME/SMS > University of Maine, School of Marine Sciences  
 UMIAMI > University of Miami  
 UMIAMI/RSMAS > Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science, University of Miami  
 UMN/CPSU > Cooperative Park Studies Unit, University of Minnesota  
 UMONT/GNP > Glacier National Park, University of Montana  
 UNEP/EAD/GRID-GENEVA > UNEP - Environment Assessment Division - Global Information Database - Geneva  
 UNEP/EAD/GRID-SIOUX FALLS > UNEP - Environment Assessment Division - Global Information Database - Sioux Falls  
 UNEP/EAP-AP (GRID-BANGKOK) > UNEP -Environmental Assessment Programme for Asia and the Pacific  
 UNEP/GRID-ARENDAL > United Nations Environment Programme Global Resource Information Database  
 UNEP/GRID-GENEVA > United Nations Environment Programme Global Resource Information Database  
 UNEP/GRID-INPE > United Nations Environment Programme Global Resource Information Database - INPE  
 UNEP/GRID-PAC > UNEP - Global Resource Information Database - Programme Activity Centre  
 UNEP/GRID-WARSZAWA > UNEP - Global Resource Information Database - Warsaw - Environmental Info Centre  
 UNH/CSRC > Complex Systems Research Center, Univ. of New Hampshire  
 UNIH > University of Hamburg, Germany  
 UNISYS > UNISYS Corporation Weather Services  
 UOC > Ukraine Oceanologic Center  
 UOL > University of Liverpool, UK  
 UOS > University of Strathclyde, UK  
 URI > University of Rhode Island  
 US\_WOCE > United States WOCE (World Ocean Circulation Experiment) Office  
 USAF/AFRL > US Air Force Research Laboratory  
 USAFETAC/OL-A > USAF Environmental Technical Applications Center, Operating Location-A  
 USC/BARUCH/LTER > U. of South Carolina, Baruch Inst. for Marine Biology and Coastal Research  
 USC/BARUCH/NERR > National Estuarine Research Reserve, Baruch Marine Field Laboratory, University of South Carolina  
 USDA/ARS/NAL > National Agricultural Library, USDA  
 USDA/ARS/NAL/AGIS > Agricultural Genome Information System, National Agricultural Library, USDA  
 USDA/ARS/NRI > Natural Resources Institute, USDA-ARS  
 USDA/ARS/SEWRL > Southeast Watershed Research Laboratory, USDA-ARS  
 USDA/ARS/TFRL > Tree Fruit Research Laboratory, USDA-ARS  
 USDA/CSREES/MSSTATE > MS State University, USDA-CSREES  
 USDA/CSREES/PURDUE > Purdue University, USDA-CSREES  
 USDA/ERS > Economic Research Service, USDA  
 USDA/FS/NERS > Northeastern Research Station, Forest Service, USDA  
 USDA/FS/RMRS > Rocky Mountain Research Station, Forest Service, USDA  
 USDA/NASS > National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA  
 USDA/NRCS/NCGC > National Cartography and Geospatial Center, USDA-NRCS  
 USDA/NRCS/NWCC > National Water & Climate Center, USDA  
 USF/DMS > University of South Florida, Department of Marine Sciences  
 USFWS > U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
 USFWS/NWI > U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Wetlands Inventory  
 USGS > U.S. Geological Survey  
 USGS/BRD > USGS Biological Resources Division  
 USGS/BRD/CERC > Columbia Environmental Research Center, Biological Resources Division, U.S. Geological Survey  
 USGS/BRD/ERO > USGS Biological Resources Division, Eastern Regional Office  
 USGS/BRD/FCSC > USGS Biological Resources Division, Florida Caribbean Science Center  
 USGS/BRD/FRESC > U.S. Geological Survey, Biological Resources Division, Forest Rangeland Ecosystem Science Center  
 USGS/BRD/GLSC > Great Lakes Science Center, USGS/BRD  
 USGS/BRD/LSC > USGS Biological Resources Division, Leetown Science Center  
 USGS/BRD/MSC > USGS Biological Resources Division, Midwest Science Center

USGS/BRD/NPWR > Northern Prairie Wildlife Research Center, Biological Resources Division, U.S. Geological Survey  
USGS/BRD/NWHC > National Wildlife Health Center, USGS/BRD  
USGS/BRD/NWRC > National Wetlands Research Center, USGS/BRD  
USGS/BRD/PWRC > Patuxent Wildlife Research Center, USGS/BRD  
USGS/BRD/RDL > U.S. Geological Survey, Biological Resources Division, Research and Development Laboratory  
USGS/BRD/WRO > USGS Biological Resources Div., Western Regional Office  
USGS/EDC/ALASKA > EROS Data Center, Anchorage, AK  
USGS/EROS > Earth Resources Observation Systems Data Center, U.S. Geological Survey  
USGS/ESIC/ANCHORAGE > Earth Science Information Center, Anchorage, Alaska  
USGS/ESIC/D.C. > Earth Science Information Center, Washington, D.C.  
USGS/ESIC/DENVER > Earth Science Information Center, Denver, Colorado  
USGS/ESIC/LAKEWOOD > Earth Science Information Center, Lakewood/Denver, Colorado  
USGS/ESIC/LOS ANGELES > Earth Science Information Center, Los Angeles, California  
USGS/ESIC/MENLO PARK > Earth Science Information Center, Menlo Park, California  
USGS/ESIC/RESTON > Earth Science Information Center, Reston, Virginia  
USGS/ESIC/ROLLA > Earth Science Information Center, Rolla, Missouri  
USGS/ESIC/SALT LAKE CITY > Earth Science Information Center, Salt Lake City, Utah  
USGS/ESIC/SAN FRANCISCO > Earth Science Information Center, San Francisco, California  
USGS/ESIC/SPOKANE > Earth Science Information Center, Spokane, Washington  
USGS/ESIC/STENNIS > Earth Science Information Center, NASA Stennis Space Center, Mississippi  
USGS/GD/CRC > Central Region Center, Geology Division, U.S. Geological Survey  
USGS/GD/DENVER > USGS, Geology Division, Denver  
USGS/GD/GCRP > USGS/Geology Division/Global Change Research Program  
USGS/GD/MENLO PARK > USGS, Geology Division, Menlo Park, CA  
USGS/GLIS/RESTON > USGS/Global Land Information System, Reston, VA  
USGS/NAWQA > National Water Quality Assessment Program, U.S. Geological Survey  
USGS/NMD > USGS National Mapping Division  
USGS/NMD/RESTON > National Mapping Division, Reston, VA  
USGS/OFR > USGS Open File Reports Section  
USGS/WHFC > Woods Hole Field Center, U.S. Geological Survey  
USGS/WRD > Water Resources Division, U.S. Geological Survey  
USGS/WRMGS > USGS Western Region Marine and Coastal Surveys  
USP/IO > Instituto Oceanografico - Universidade de Sao Paulo  
USSR/HYDRO > USSR Hydrographic Service, Research Oceanographic Centre  
UT/AUSTIN/BEG > University of Texas - Austin/Bureau of Economic Geology  
UT/AUSTIN/CSR > University of Texas - Austin/Center for Space Research  
UTIG > Institute for Geophysics, University of Texas at Austin  
UTORONTO > University of Toronto  
UTROMSO > University of Tromso  
UVA/IBED/PGSS > Physical Geography and Soil Science, Institute for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Dynamics, University of Amsterdam  
UVA/LTER > University of Virginia, Department of Environmental Science  
UW/S > University of Wales - Swansea  
UWA > University of Washington  
UWA/APL > University of Washington, Applied Physics Laboratory  
UWA/SAFS/CBR > Columbia Basin Research/School of Aquatics and Fisheries Sciences, University of Washington  
UWI/LTER > University of Wisconsin-Madison, Department of Limnology  
UWI/MADISON/IES/CCR > U. Wisconsin Institute for Environmental Studies, Center for Climatic Research  
VIMS > Virginia Institute of Marine Science  
VNIIGMI/WDC > All Union Research Institute of Hydrometeorological Information  
VNIRO > All-Union Research Institute for Marine Fishing and Oceanography  
VT/ANR > Vermont Agency of Natural Resources  
VT/DEC > Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation  
WCMC > World Conservation Monitoring Centre  
WDC/GLACIOLOGY, BOULDER > World Data Center for Glaciology, Boulder  
WDC/SEISMOLOGY, DENVER > World Data Center for Seismology, Denver  
WDC-A/PALEOCLIMATOLOGY > World Data Center-A for Paleoclimatology

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WDC-B/RIHMI > World Data Center-B Research Institute of Hydrometeorological Information  
WDC-B1/OCEANOGRAPHY > World Data Center-B1 for Oceanography  
WFF/OSB > Wallops Flight Facility Observational Science Branch, NASA  
WHOI > Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution  
WHP\_SAC > WOCE Hydrographic Programme Special Analysis Centre  
WLDELFT > Delft Hydraulics  
WMO > World Meteorological Organization  
WPRCEPH > Wakayama Prefectural Research Center of Environment and Public Health  
WRI > World Resources Institute  
YNCMT > Yuge National College of Maritime Technology  
YNU > Yokohama National University  
YSFRI > Yellow Sea Fisheries Research Institute

## ANNEX IX

### RECOMMENDED MODIFICATIONS TO MEDI 3.0b

Feature	Description	Priority
MEDI Format	Remove DISCIPLINE field	1
	Remove PALEO TEMPORAL COVERAGE field	1
	Remove IDN NODE field	1
	Add ORIGINATING CENTRE field	1
Search function	<i>General Search Parameters</i> : fix Remove function	1
	Choice of boolean AND / OR for search	3
	Select field to search: use previous selection as default	3
	Add the ability to search by dataset ID	2
	<i>Temporal search</i> : fix monthly bounds search	1
	Ability to search on multiple criteria (eg General+Spatial+Temporal)	1
	Ability to combine Specific Bounds and Monthly Bounds search	2
	<i>Spatial search</i> : do not display SVG map as default. Provide a button to "Display Map"	1
	Ability to define a rectangle in all directions	3
	Investigate alternative ways of displaying results of a spatial search, e.g. different colours, shaded boxes.	3
	Investigate SVG ways to improve performance	2
	Resolve 180° longitude problem	1
	Ability search on a subset (the result of a search)	2
	Ability to combine search criteria (e.g. Spatial+Temporal)	1
	It should not be a requirement to logon to search MEDI	1
	On Search Results screen label the ID field	
Create records	<i>Summary Wizard</i> : change name to <i>Authoring Assistant</i>	1
	<i>Summary Wizard</i> : error on 'Submit'	
	<i>Language</i> : Change to <i>Dataset Language</i>	1
	<i>Access Constraints</i> : move "optional values" box and delete second box (e.g. see Distribution)	1
	SVG crashes browser on Page 3 when changing pages.	1
	Spatial Coverage: default screen does not show SVG map. Add button "Display Map" to open SVG map	1
	<i>Locations</i> : auto-determination of location names	3
	Ability to edit multi-point coordinates	1
	Parameter, Source, Sensor, Data Centre, Project valids: Change ADD button to SUGGEST with instructions on how suggest new valids.	1
	Generate email to MEDI coordinator with new valid suggestions.	
	MEDI coordinator informs GCMD and originator is informed if approved or rejected.	2
	Do not display "EARTH SCIENCE" in list of selected Parameters	1
	Rename <i>Holding Organisation</i> to <i>Holding Organisation and Personnel</i>	1
	To enter personnel, select from drop down list of personnel roles	1
	When selecting a new data centre contact, allow a new contact to be added	1
	When creating a new data centre, must select from list of valids. If not found then use "Suggest New" feature.	
	Each organisation requires a Data Centre Contact	1
	<i>URL</i> : Change name to <i>Data Centre URL</i>	1
	<i>Data Presentation Format</i> : change to <i>Data Presentation Form</i>	1
	Need ADD button to add a new keyword to <i>Data Presentation Form</i> . This is not a controlled list	1
	Increase size of "Fees" box"	1
	<i>Media</i> and <i>Format</i> lists need ADD button to add to list of suggested keywords	1
	<i>URL Content Type</i> is a controlled list. Select from list of valids.	1

	Include a Suggest button with instructions on how suggest new valids.	
	If <i>URL Content Type</i> is used then <i>URL</i> field is required	1
	New name for "Multimedia": "Sample Image"	1
	If <i>Sample Image</i> is used then <i>URL</i> is required	1
	<i>Format</i> : Need ADD button to add to list of suggested keywords	1
	<i>Data Resolution</i> : Move <i>Temporal Resolution</i> to top of list	1
	Investigate methods for locating <i>Parent ID</i> (refer to KOSI system)	3
	Temporal Coverage. Stop Date should be optional	1
	Temporal Coverage. Display warning message if date vale falls outside range 1800-2050	1
	Replace all ? buttons with <i>I</i> icon	1
	Create new record from template. If no new template is selected system crashes	1
	Automatically move cursor for fixed character fields (e.g. date)	2
	Security. Only an owner can edit/delete records	1
Delete Records	Need cautionary note before deleting	1
	Create recycle bin function for deleted records to allow recovery	2
	Ability to delete records from the search results	2
Export records	Ability to export records from the search results	2
	Two options for export: MEDI DIF and GCMD DIF	1
	FGDC compatibility. Use style sheet for conversion	3
Main screen	Move <i>Recover Unsaved Records</i> from Search menu to Main menu	1
Administration	Add <i>Modify User</i> feature	1
	Enlarge Address field	1
General	Ability to produce a printable version of a DIF record	2
	Redesign web interface. All mandatory fields to appear on first page	1
	Help screens required for all fields	1
Valid Lists	Parameter valids. Change order so OCEANS topic is listed first	1
	Replace Source, Sensor, Project and Data Centre valids with GCMD subset	1
	Location valids. Add Caspian Sea, World Ocean, Southern Ocean	1
	Multilingual Valid Lists	3

**Priority 1.** High Priority: To be completed before release of V3.0

**Priority 2.** Medium Priority: To be included in next release.

**Priority 3.** Low Priority: Investigate possibility of inclusion in future releases