

# 地中貯留におけるCO<sub>2</sub>挙動モニタリングについて — 長岡実証試験サイトの実例紹介 —

*Geophysical Monitoring of CO<sub>2</sub>  
Sequestration in Saline Aquifers*

-- *Lessons from the Nagaoka pilot-scale project* --

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# **Why CO<sub>2</sub> Monitoring ?**

***Map the movement of CO<sub>2</sub> & the CO<sub>2</sub> is being safely contained within the reservoir.***



***CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration is a safe and verifiable mitigation technology option***

**Monitoring, Evaluation, Reporting and Verification (MERV)**

# Carbon Dioxide Flooding / CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR



► 40-70% of CO<sub>2</sub> injected stays in reservoir

# Examples from CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR & CO<sub>2</sub> storage projects

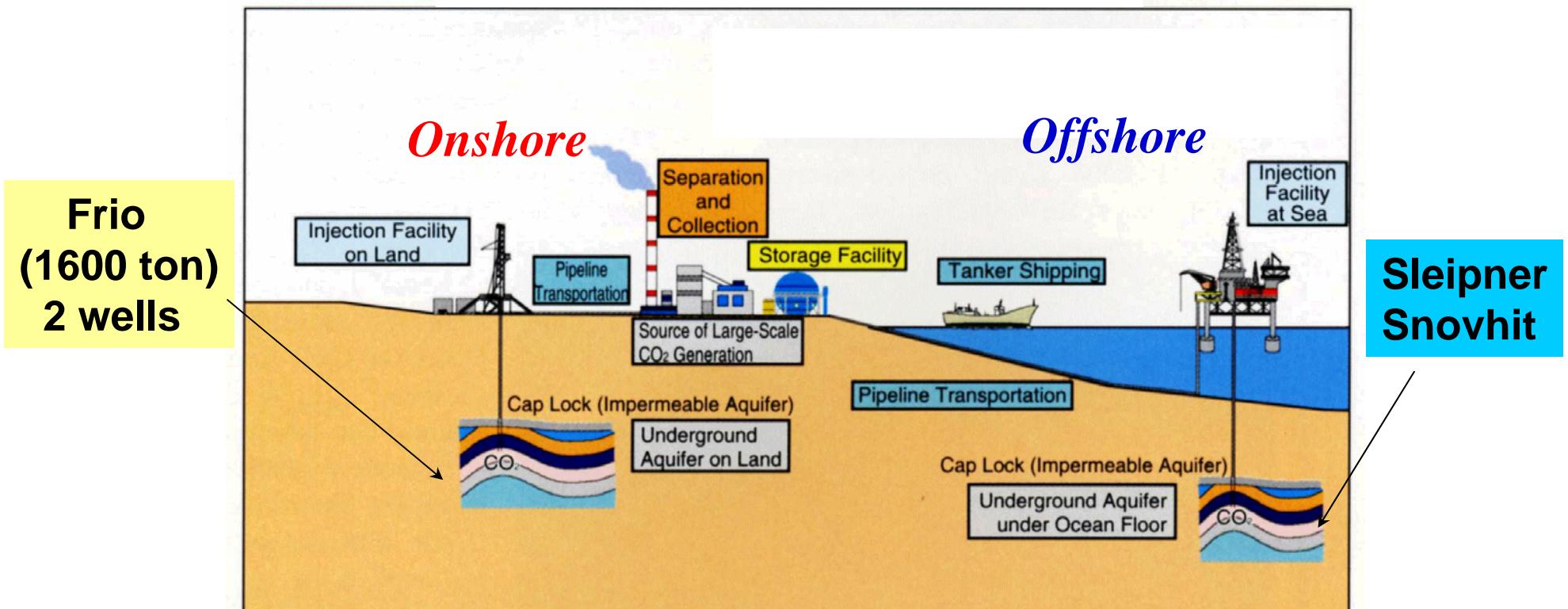
## Cross Well **Seismic** and **Electromagnetic (EM)**

- McElroy oil field, West Texas, USA (Harris et al., 1995)
- Lost Hills oil field, South California, USA (Hoversten et al., 2003)

## Time-lapse 3D Seismic Survey (**4D Seismic**)

- Weyburn oil field, South Saskatchewan, Canada (White, 2004)
- Sleipner, **aquifer**, North Sea, Norway (Art et al., 2004)

# Research & Commercial Projects of CO<sub>2</sub> Storage



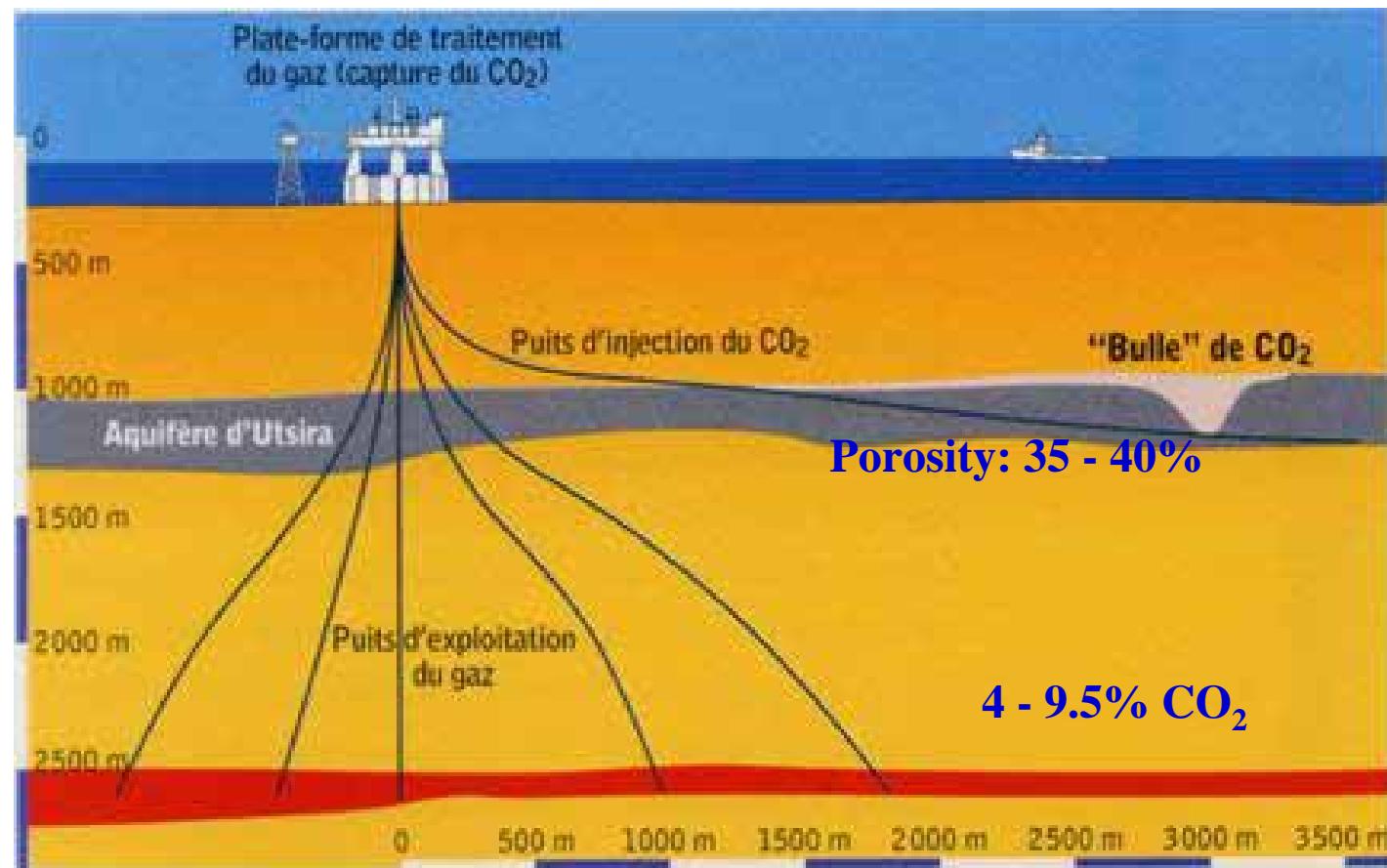
Note: This information presents an overview of subterranean CO<sub>2</sub> storage at the application level, and is not intended to serve as a direct explanation of injection validation tests.

**Nagaoka, (10400 ton), 4 wells ( one injection & three observation wells**  
**A big research project of CO<sub>2</sub> storage at an onshore aquifer.**

# ***CO<sub>2</sub> Monitoring at Sleipner & Frio***

# SACS (Saline Aquifer CO<sub>2</sub> Storage)

North Sea, Norway (Statoil), Sleipner



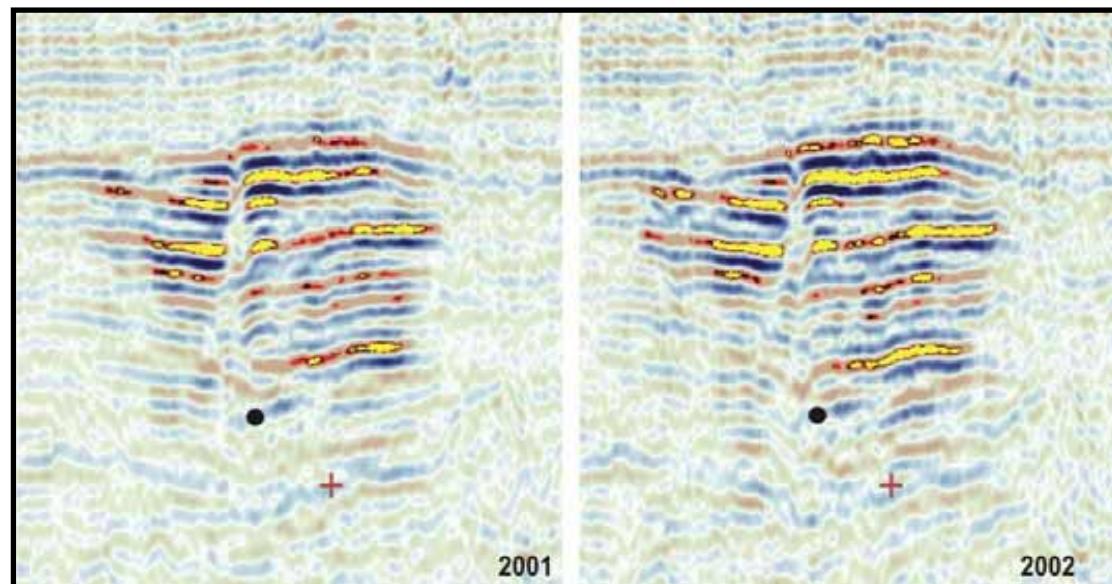
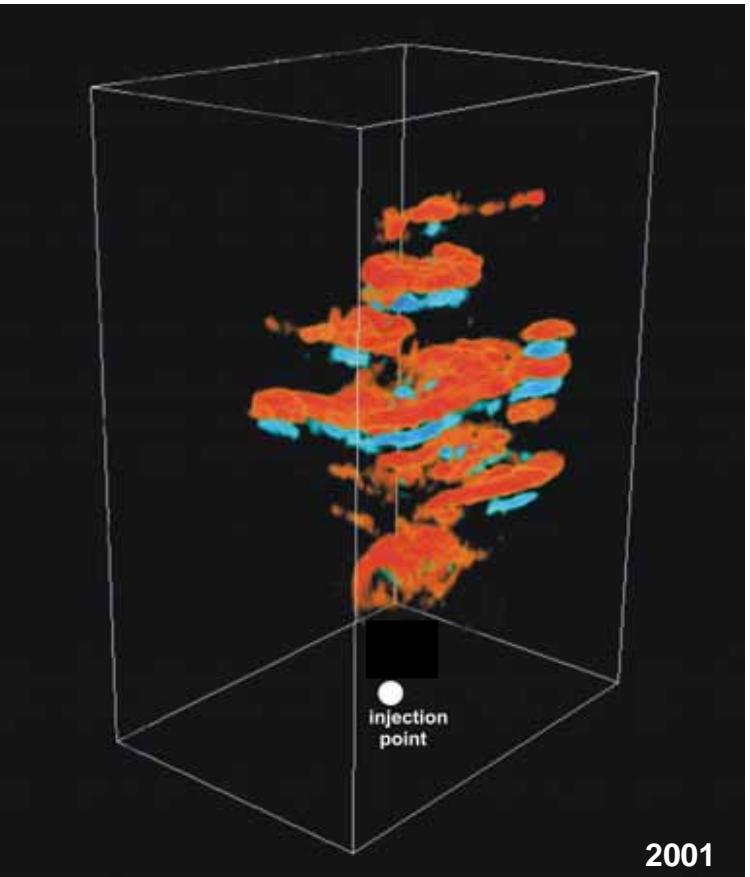
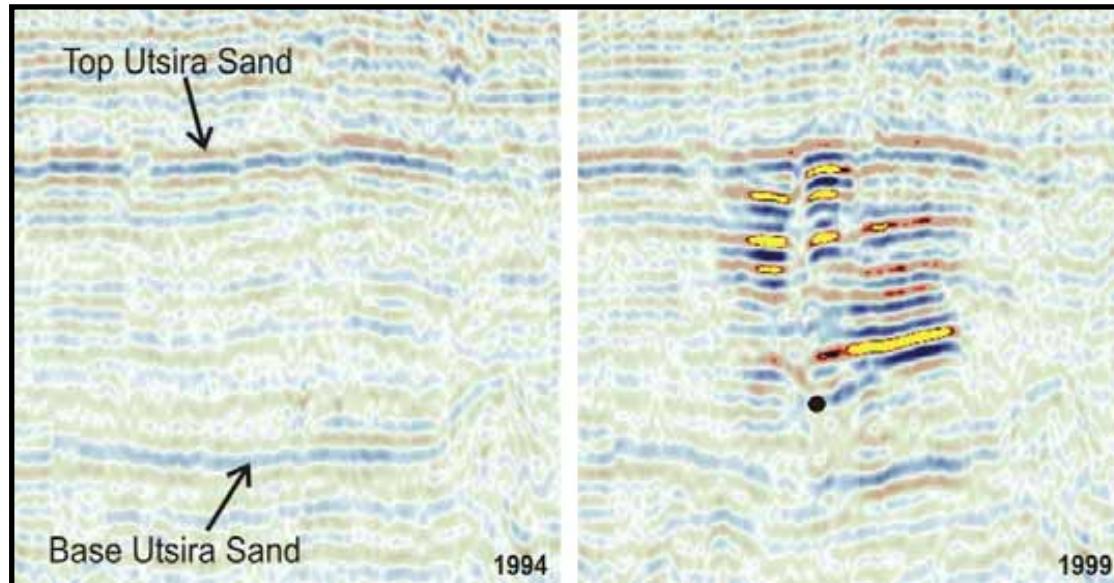
Porous Sand  
(Net sand:80-100%)

High Permeability  
(1 - 3 darcy)

Temp: 37 °C  
Pressure: 8 - 11 MPa

1 million ton/year  
(3% of Norway)

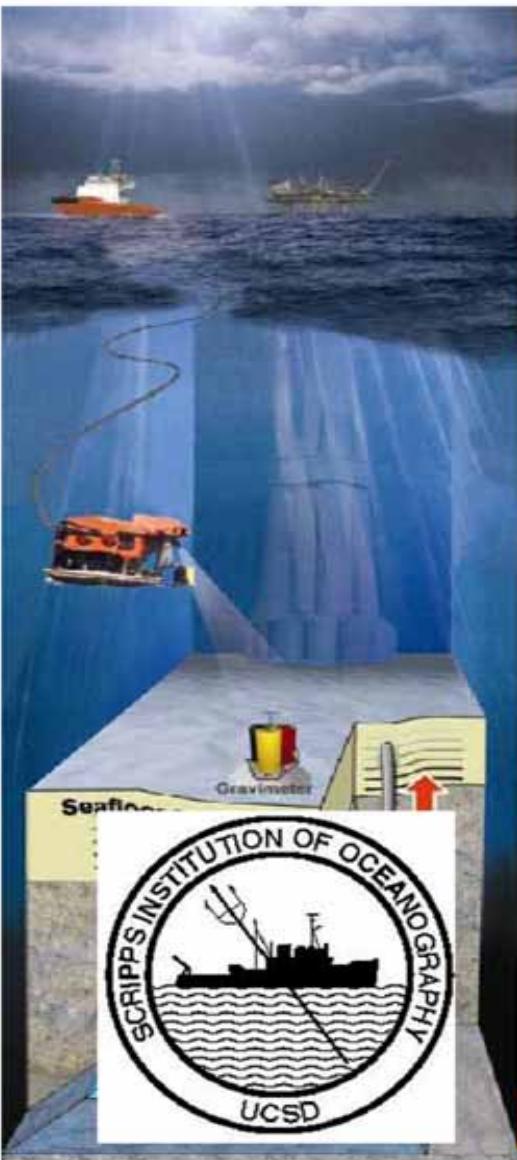
# Seismic Survey at Sleipner



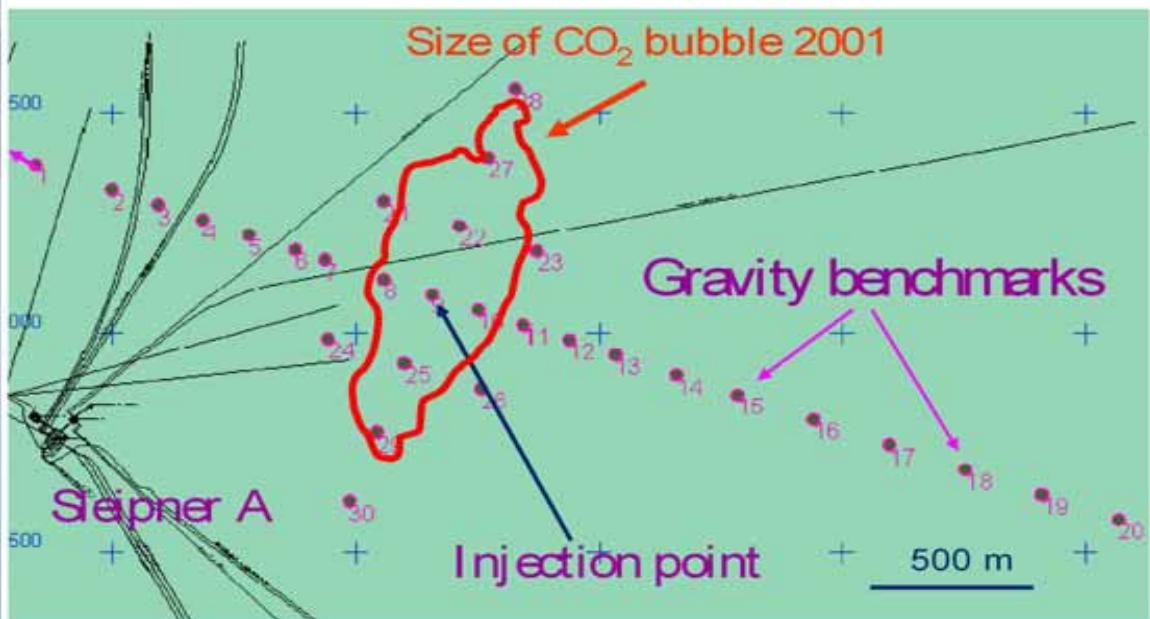
High reflectivity CO<sub>2</sub> plume

*Chadwick (2004)*

# Microgravity Survey at Sleipner



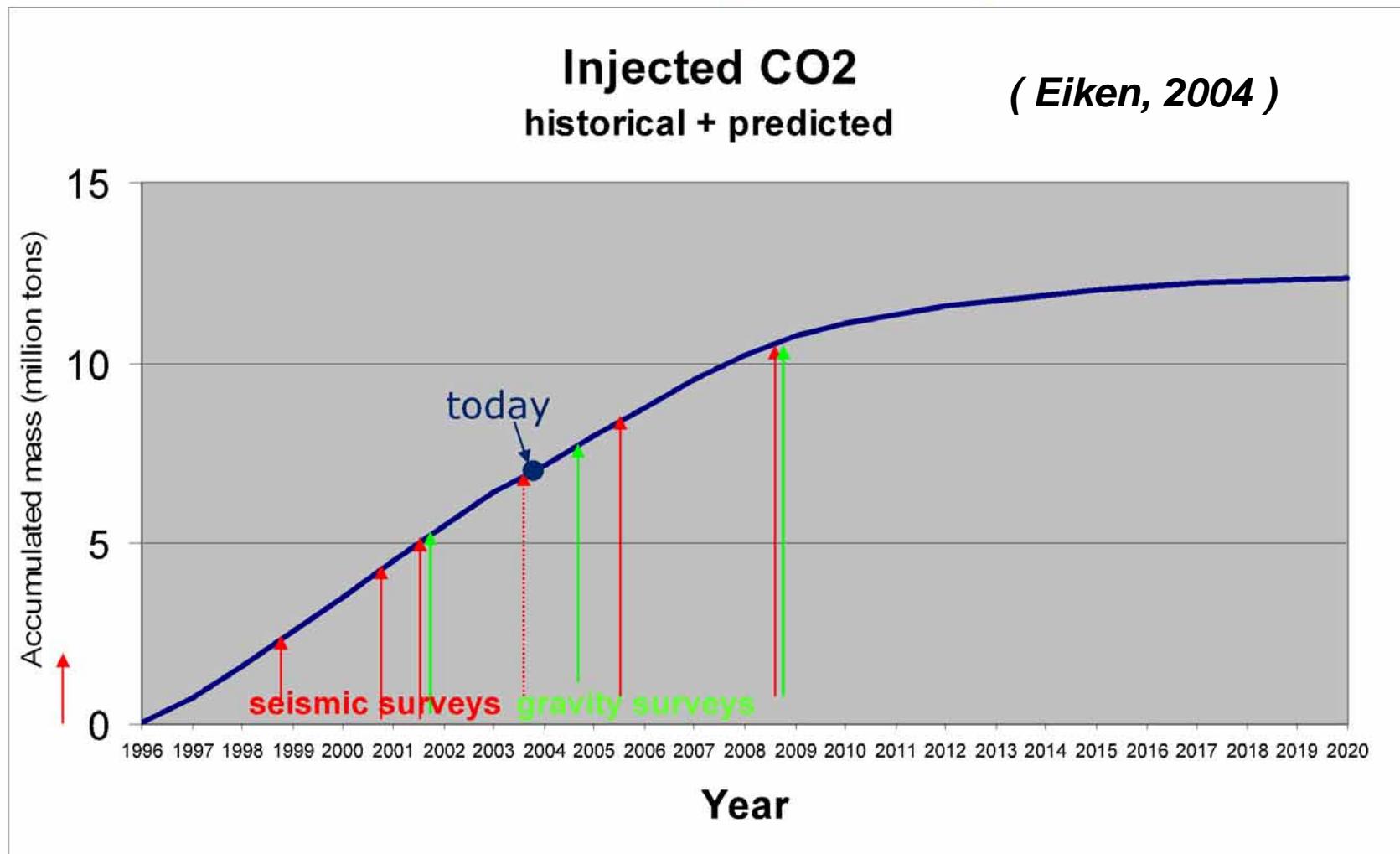
## Gravimetric monitoring

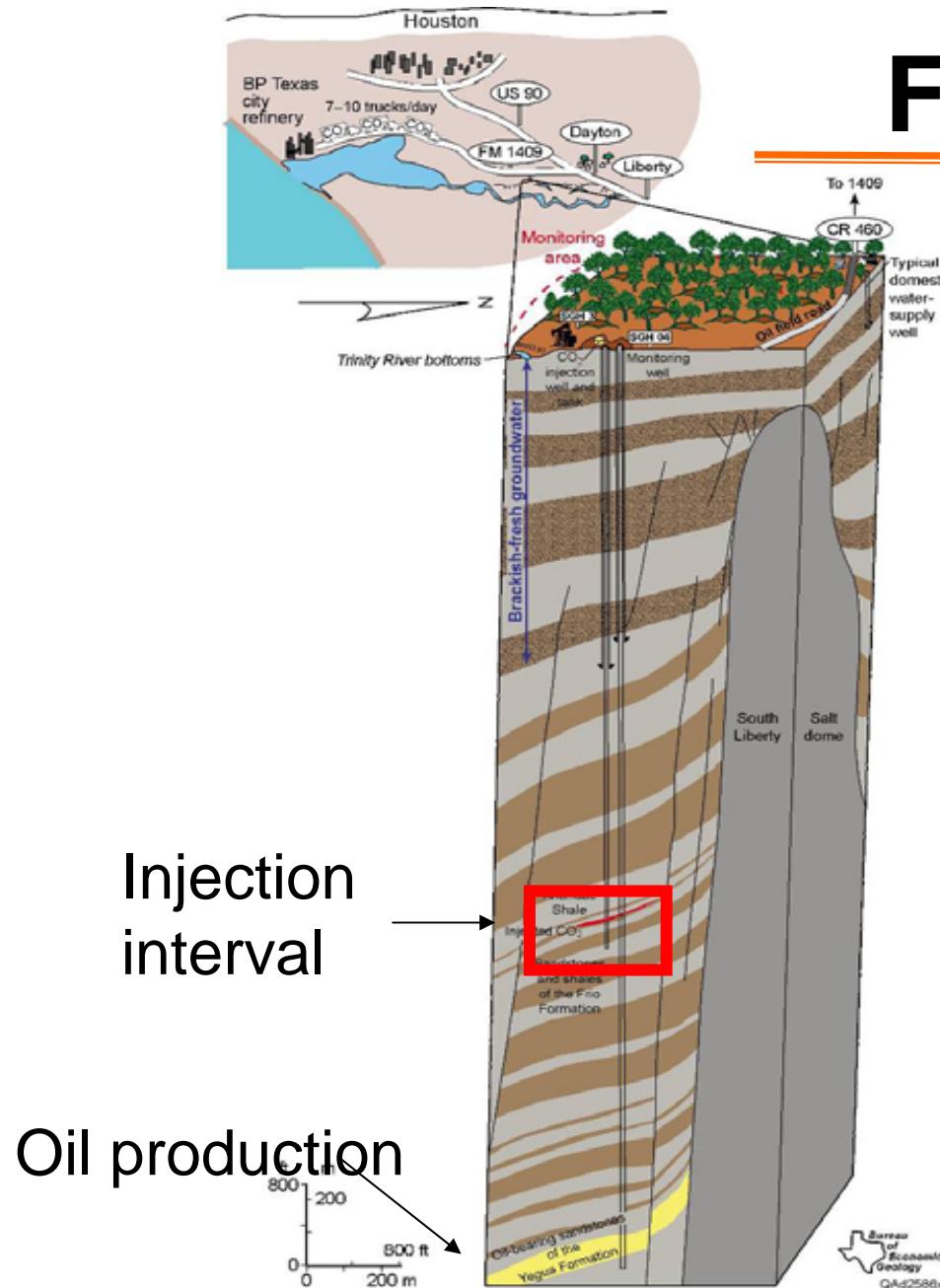


2002 base survey achievements:

- 3 Gal gravity repeatability (s.d.)
- 5 mm seafloor depth repeatability (s.d.)

# Accumulated CO<sub>2</sub> storage



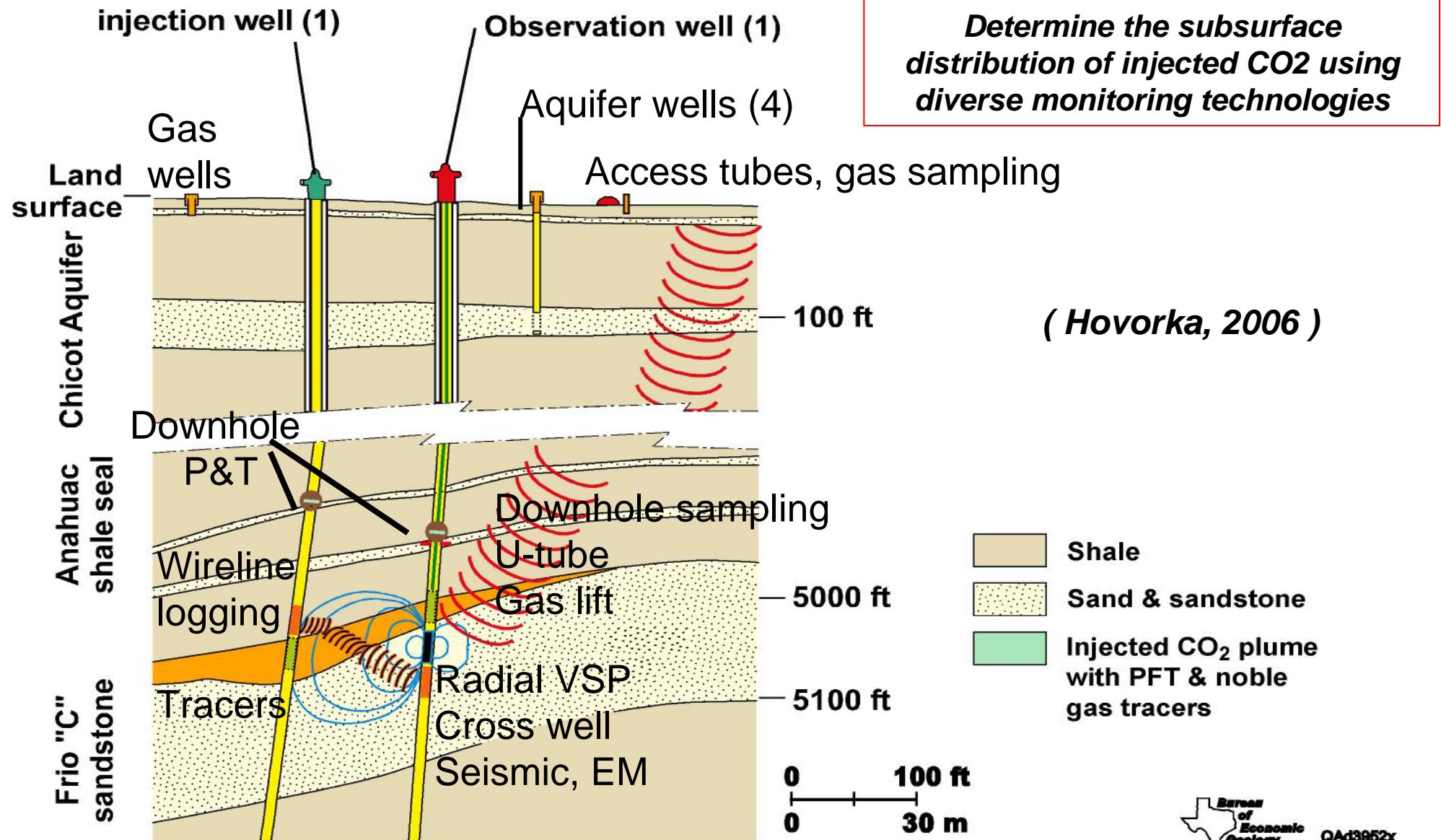


# Frio Brine Pilot Site

( Hovorka, 2006 )

- Injection interval: 24-m-thick, mineralogically complex Oligocene reworked fluvial sandstone, porosity 24%, Permeability **2.5 Darcys**
- Steeply dipping 18 degrees
- 7m perforated zone
- Seals – numerous thick shales, small fault block
- Depth **1,500 m**
- Brine-rock system, no hydrocarbons
- **150 bar, 53 degrees C,** supercritical CO<sub>2</sub>

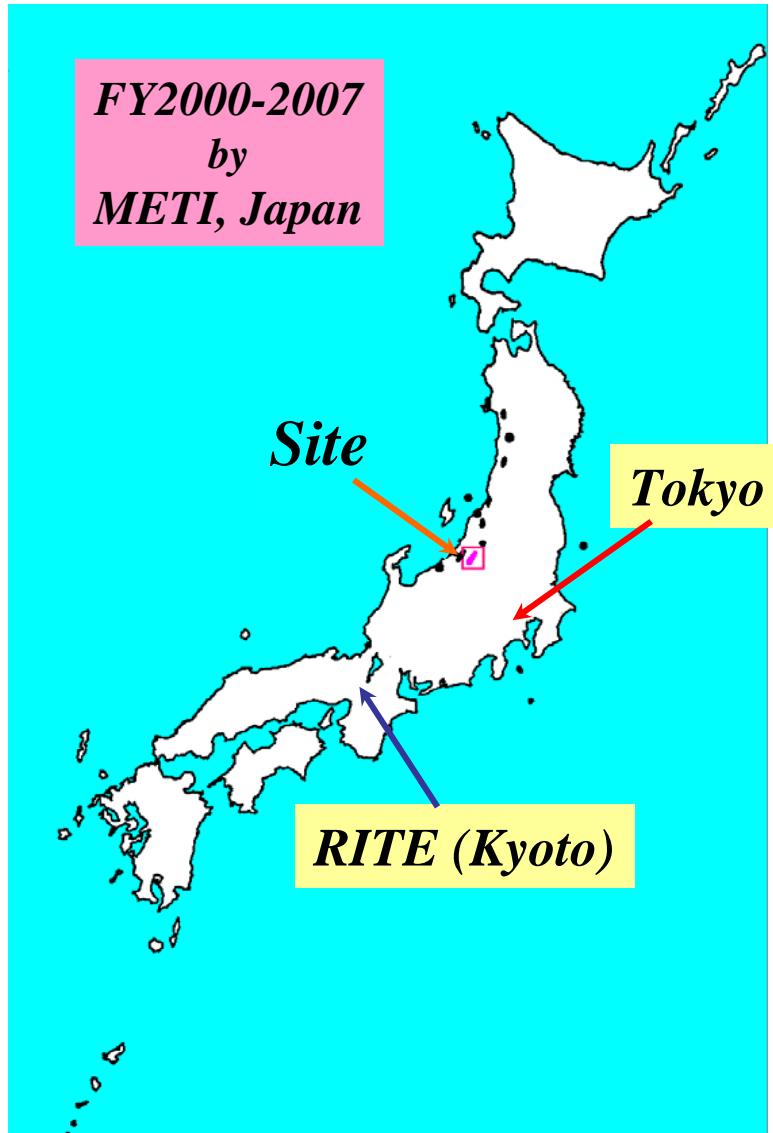
# Monitoring at Frio Pilot



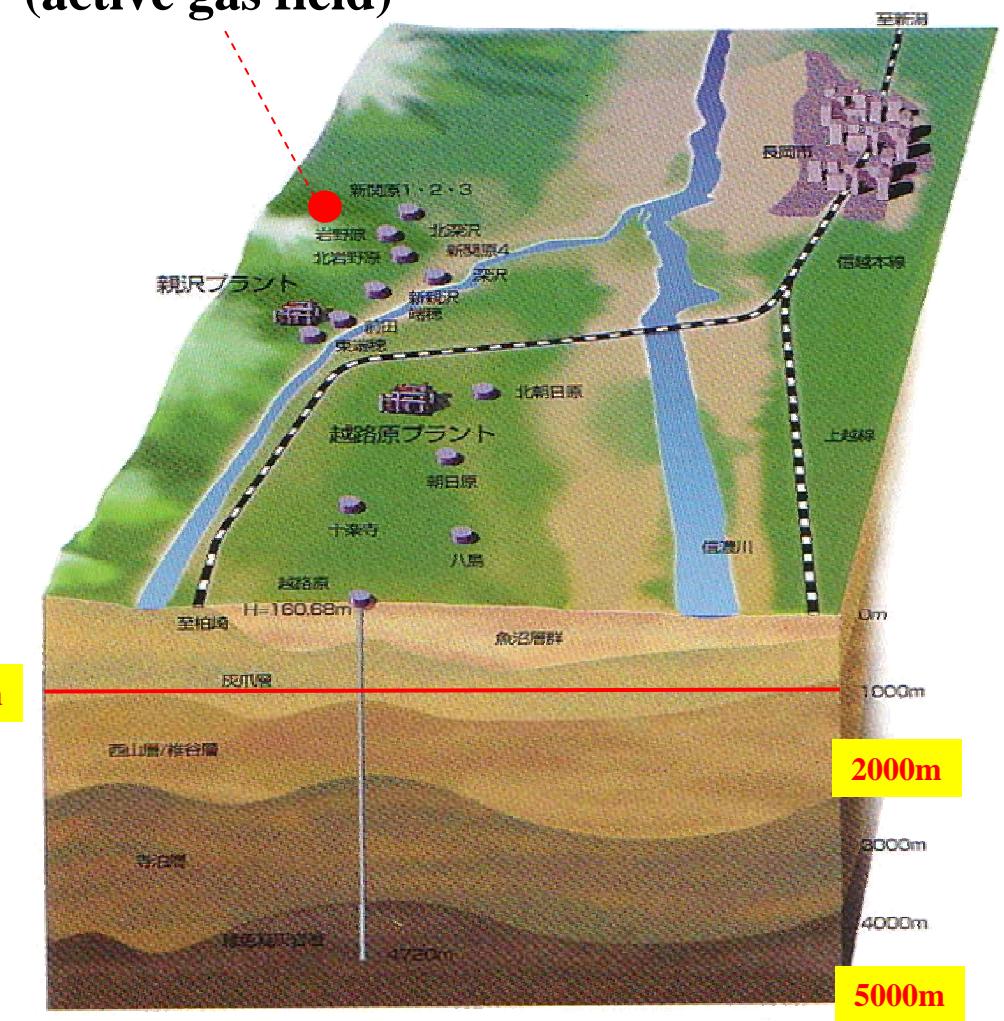


# *the Nagaoka project & CO<sub>2</sub> Monitoring*

# Location of the Field Test Site for CO<sub>2</sub> Injection



Teikoku Oil, Niigata Prefecture  
(active gas field)



# Overview and Objectives of the Project

## - A Pilot-scale Demonstration -

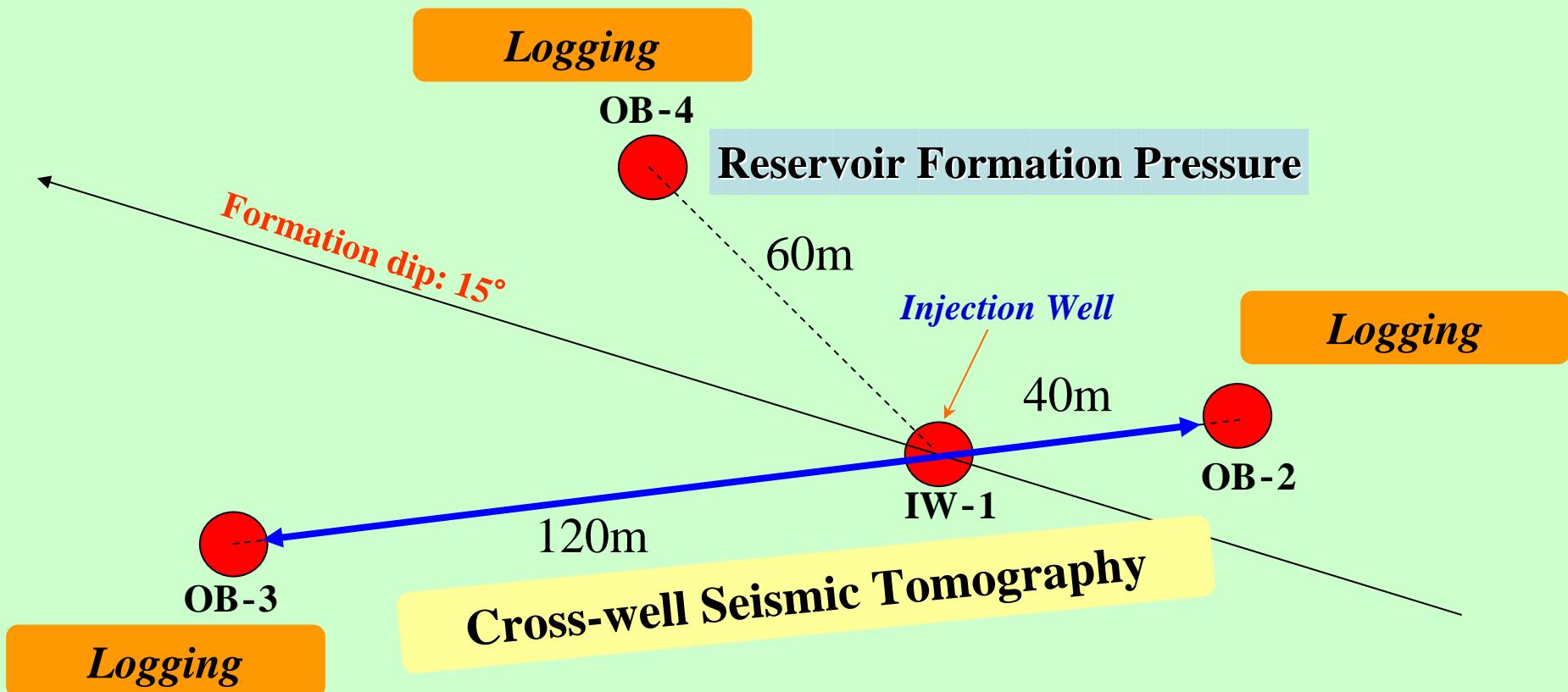
- ◆ Improved Understanding of the CO<sub>2</sub> Movement in the Porous Sandstone Reservoir
  - ▶ Seismic Wave Velocity Response to CO<sub>2</sub> Injection
  - ▶ Mechanism for the Injected CO<sub>2</sub> Displacing the Formation Water
  - ▶ **Crosswell Seismic Tomography and Well Logging**
  - ▶ Measurements of the Formation Pressure Buildup
  - ▶ 3D Surface Seismic Survey
- ▶ a simulator for the long-term behavior predication
- ▶ system studies on modeling and public outreach

# ***Objectives of time-lapse well logging and pressure measurement***

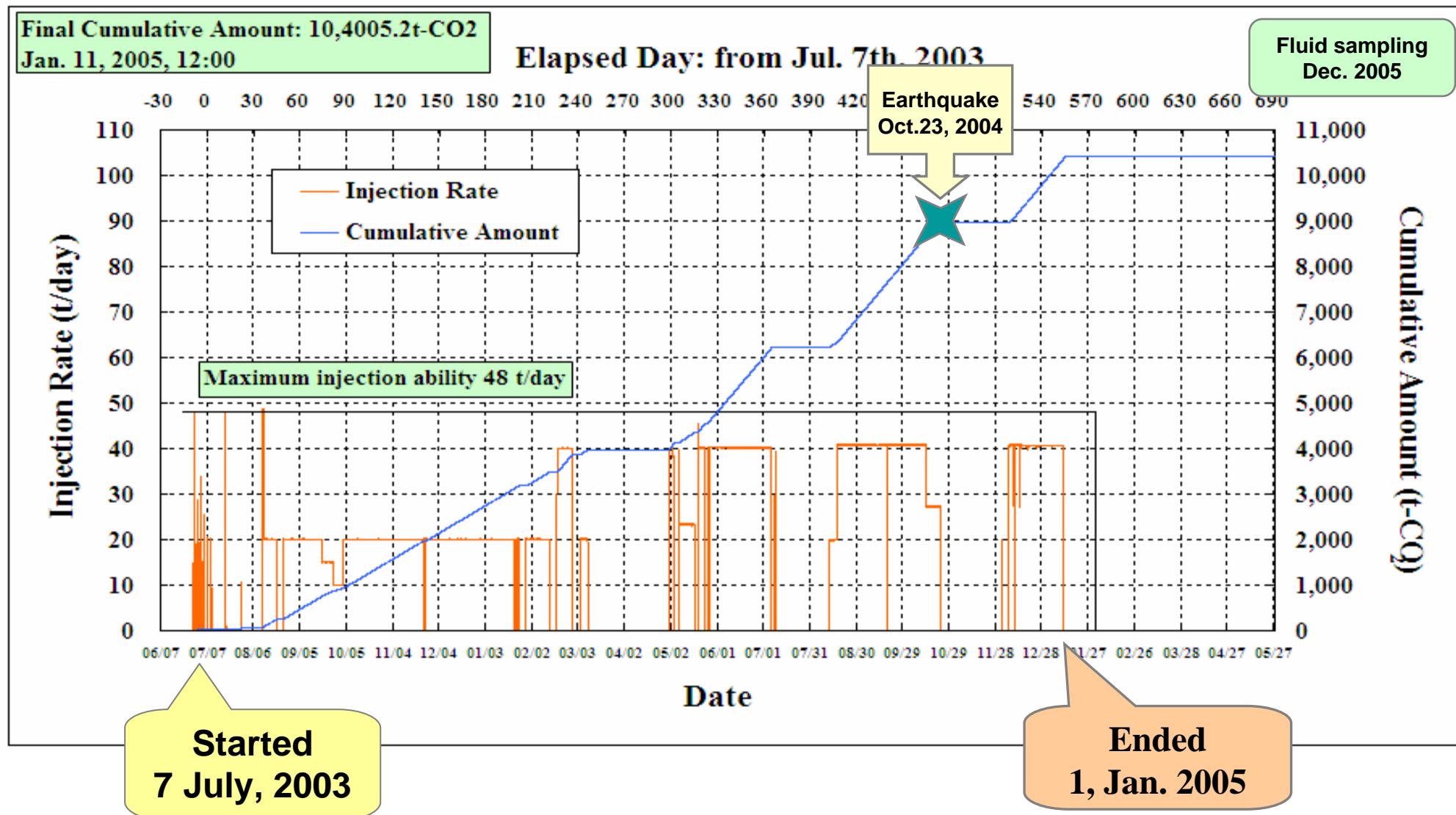
- CO<sub>2</sub> breakthrough time (*calibrating geological model*)
- CO<sub>2</sub> movements after breakthrough & formation pressure buildup disappeared (*driving force and long term behavior prediction*)
- Formation pressure measurements at injection well and one of the three observation wells (*pressure buildup due to the low permeability, decay curves for permeability (single-phase) and relative permeability (two-phase) estimations*)

**Trapping Mechanism**

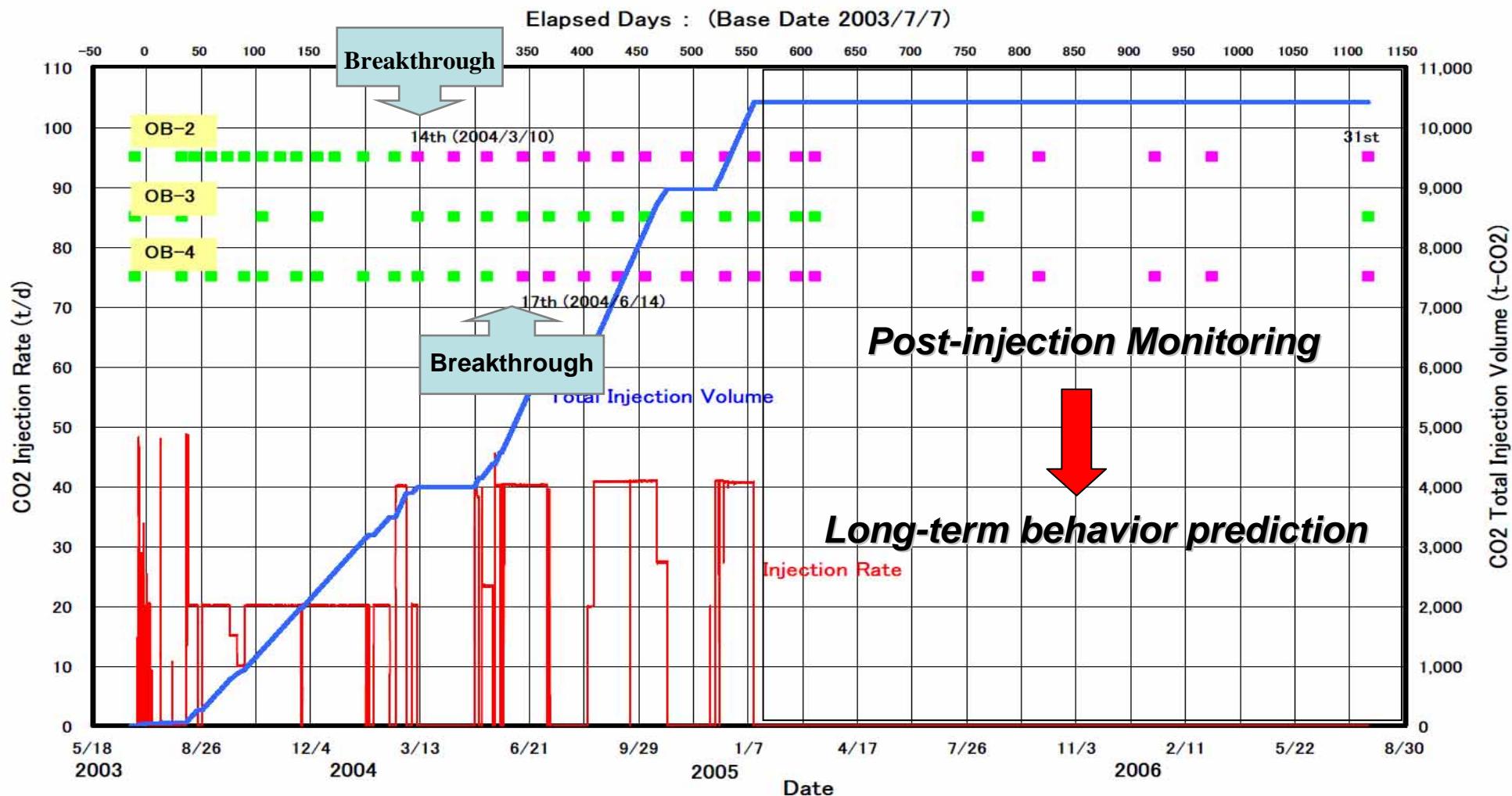
# Geophysical Monitoring of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestration



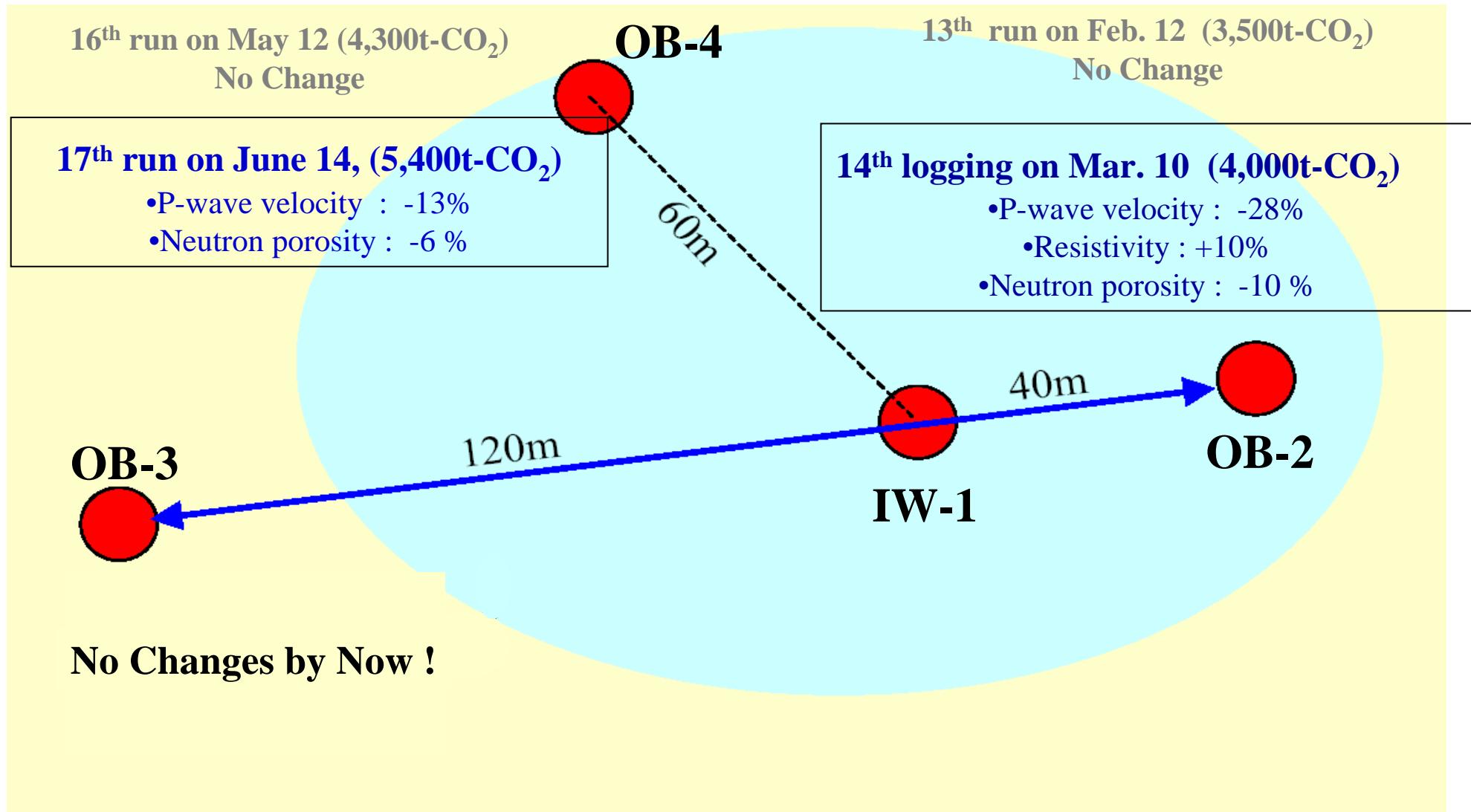
# History of the CO<sub>2</sub> Injection at Nagaoka



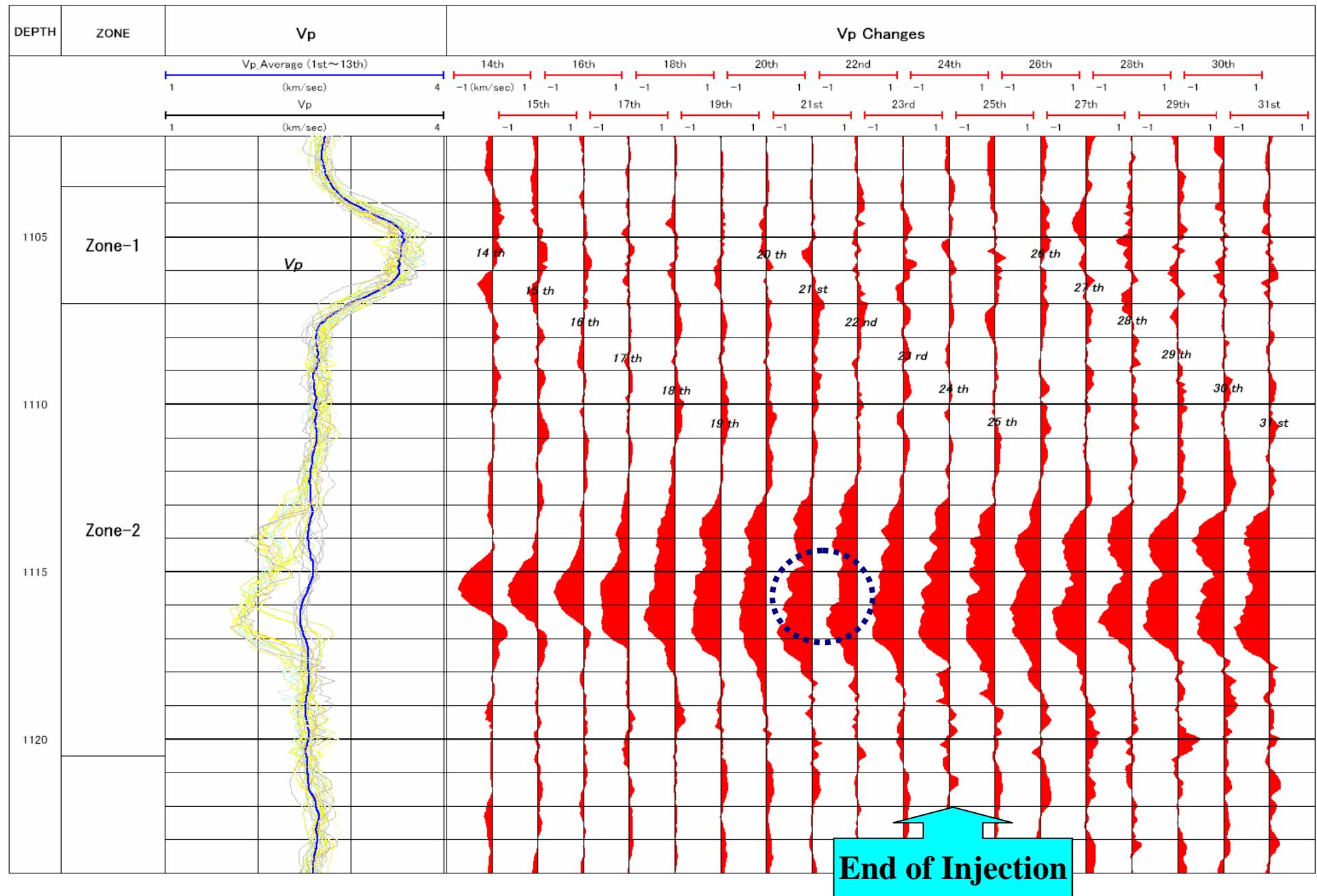
# Time-lapse Well Logging



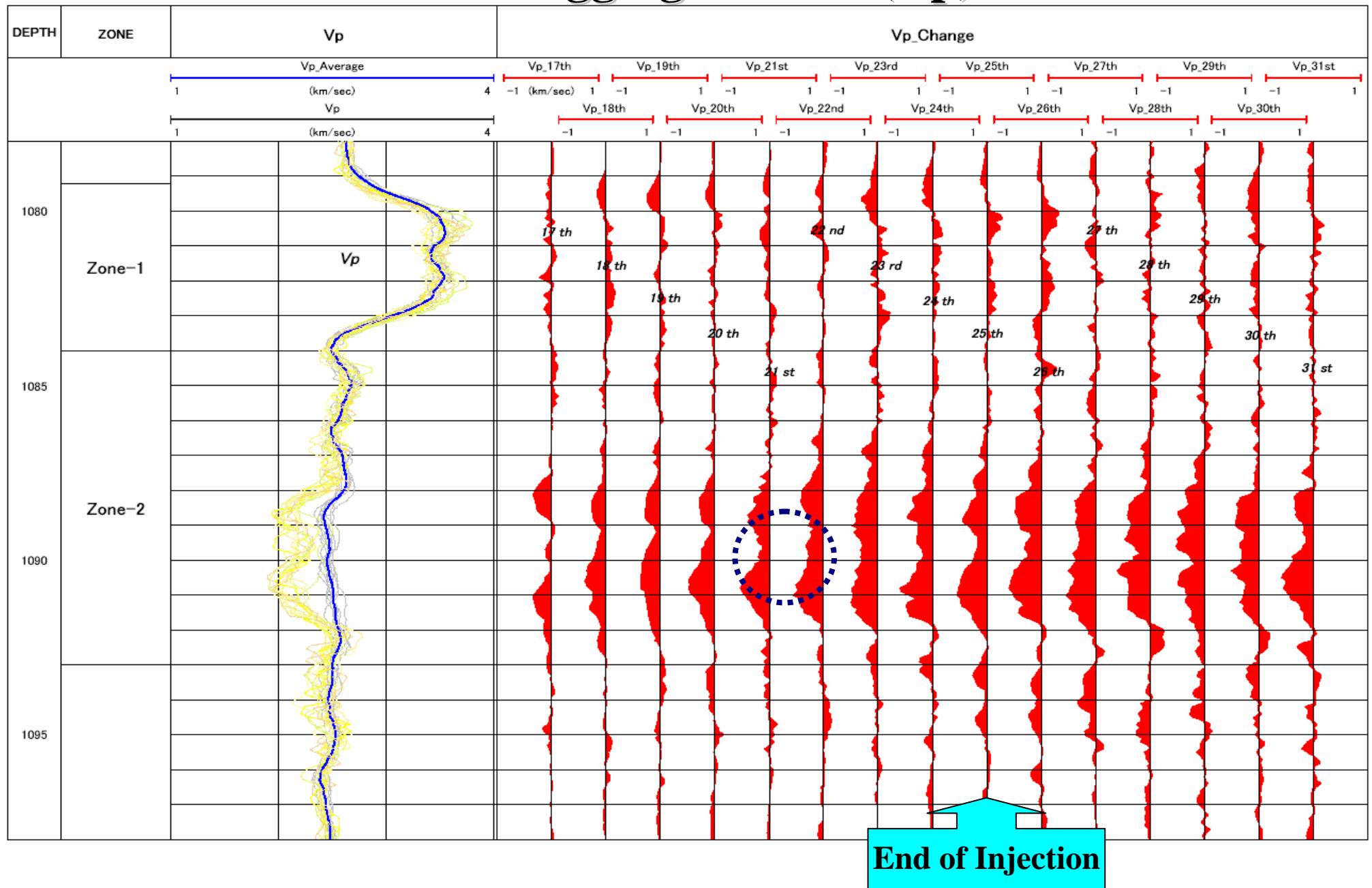
# ***CO<sub>2</sub> Breakthrough time at OB-2 & -4***



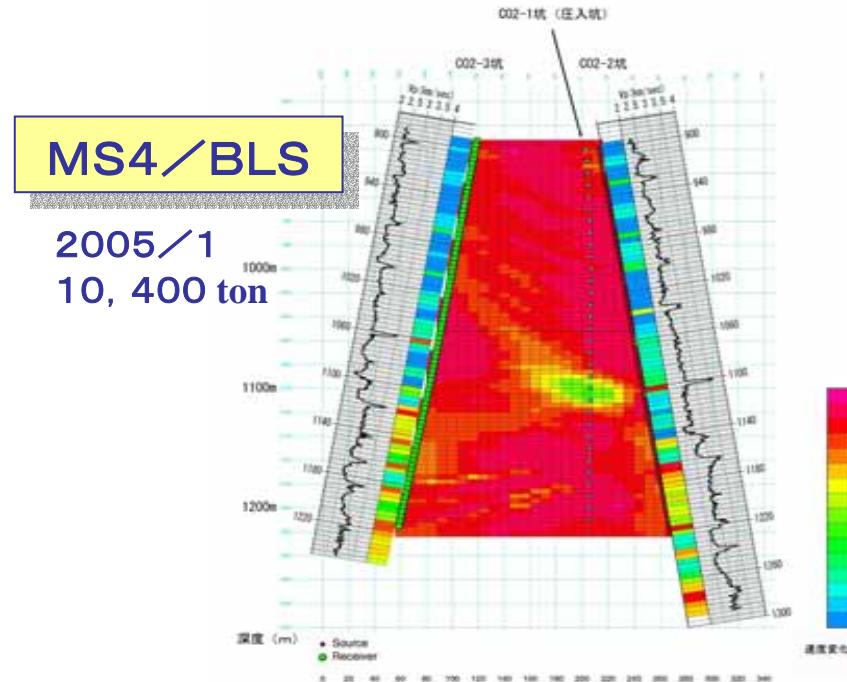
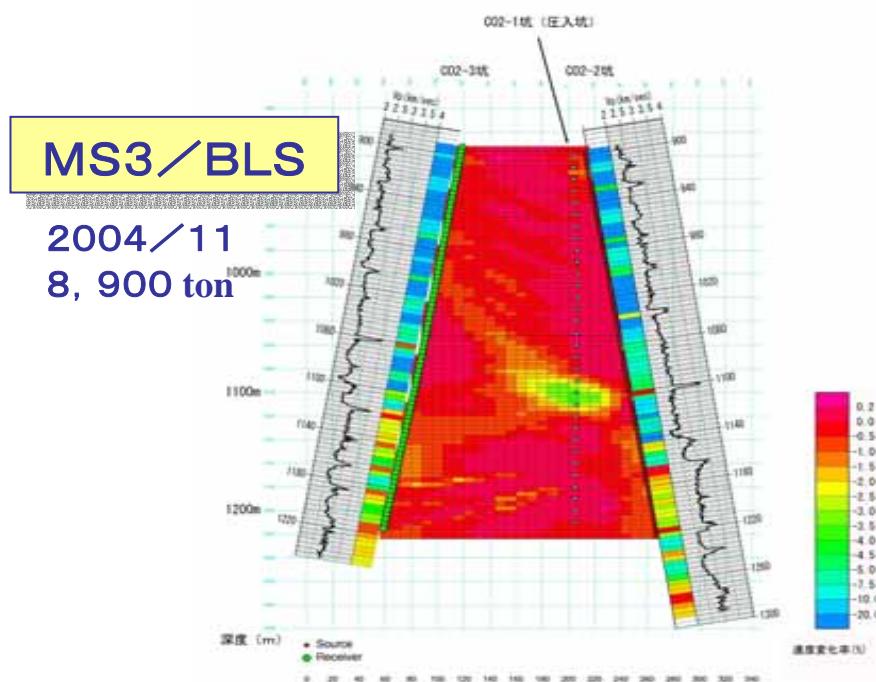
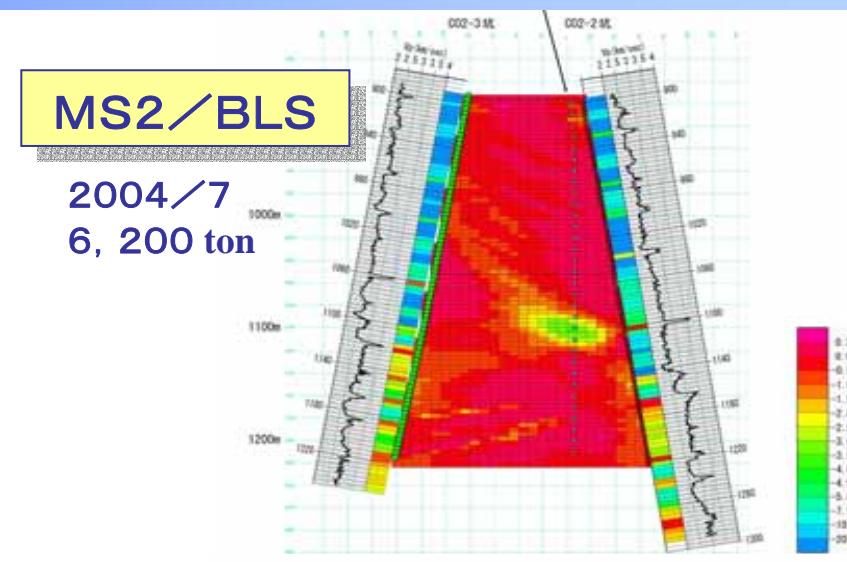
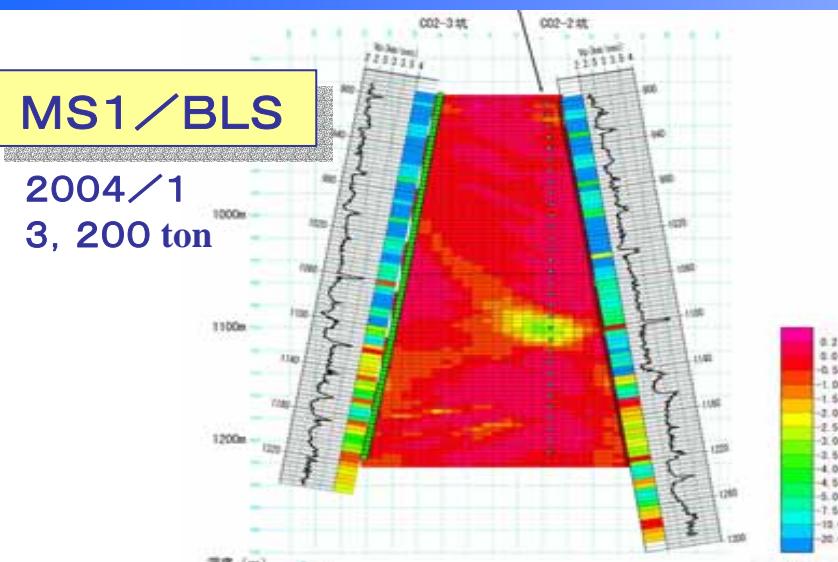
# Sonic Logging @OB-2 (Vp)



# Sonic Logging @OB-4 (Vp)

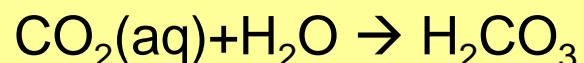


# Results of Crosswell Seismic Tomography



# Geochemical Monitoring

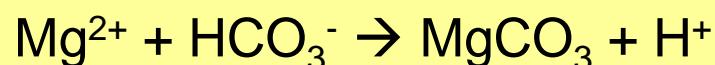
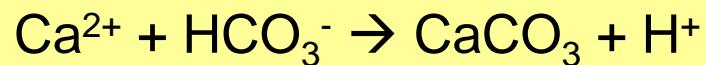
— *fluid sampling from the reservoir* —



**Solubility trapping**



**Ionic trapping**



**Mineral trapping**

*Fluid sampling*

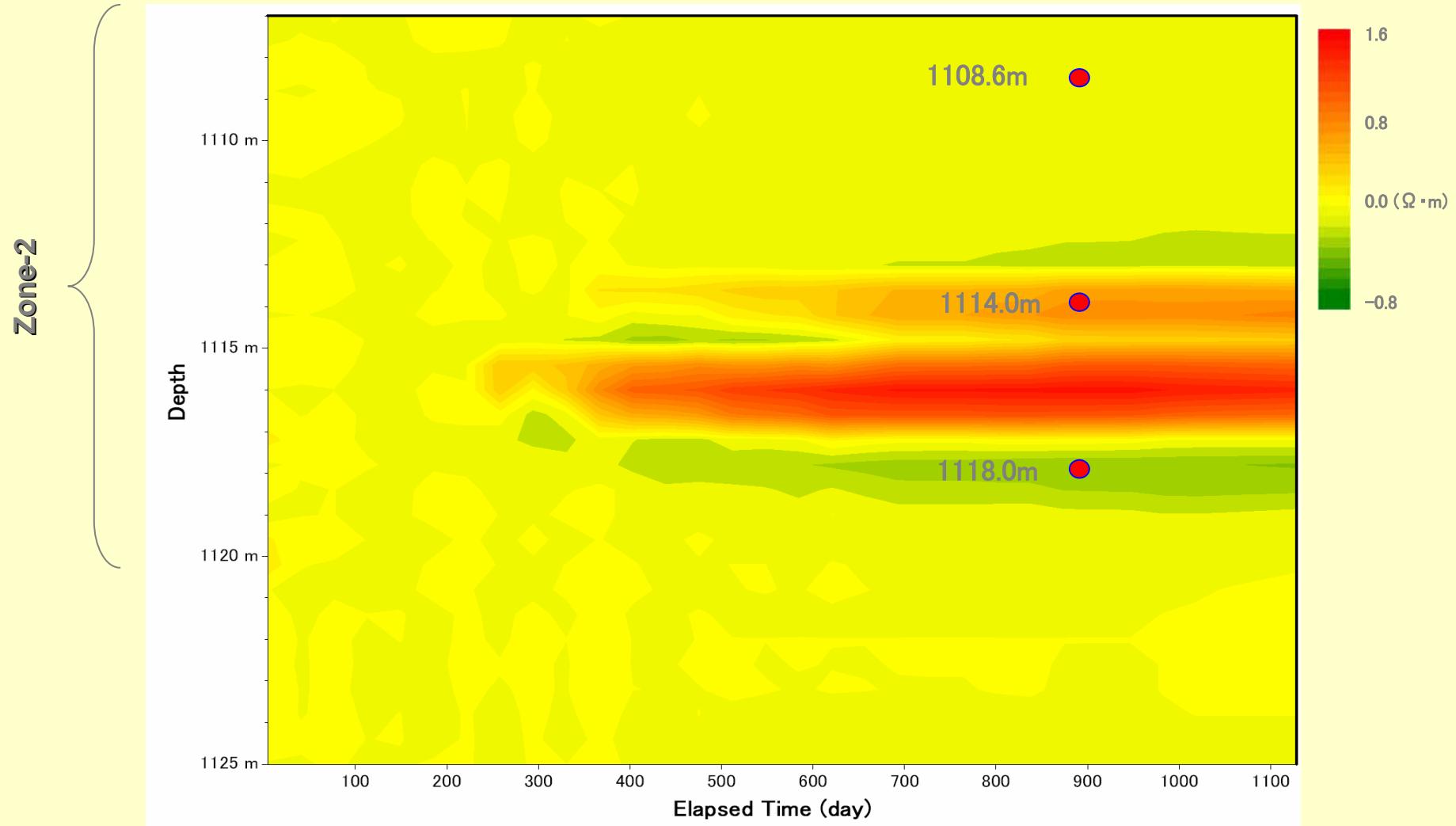
# CHDT\*(Cased Hole Dynamic Tester)



Drill

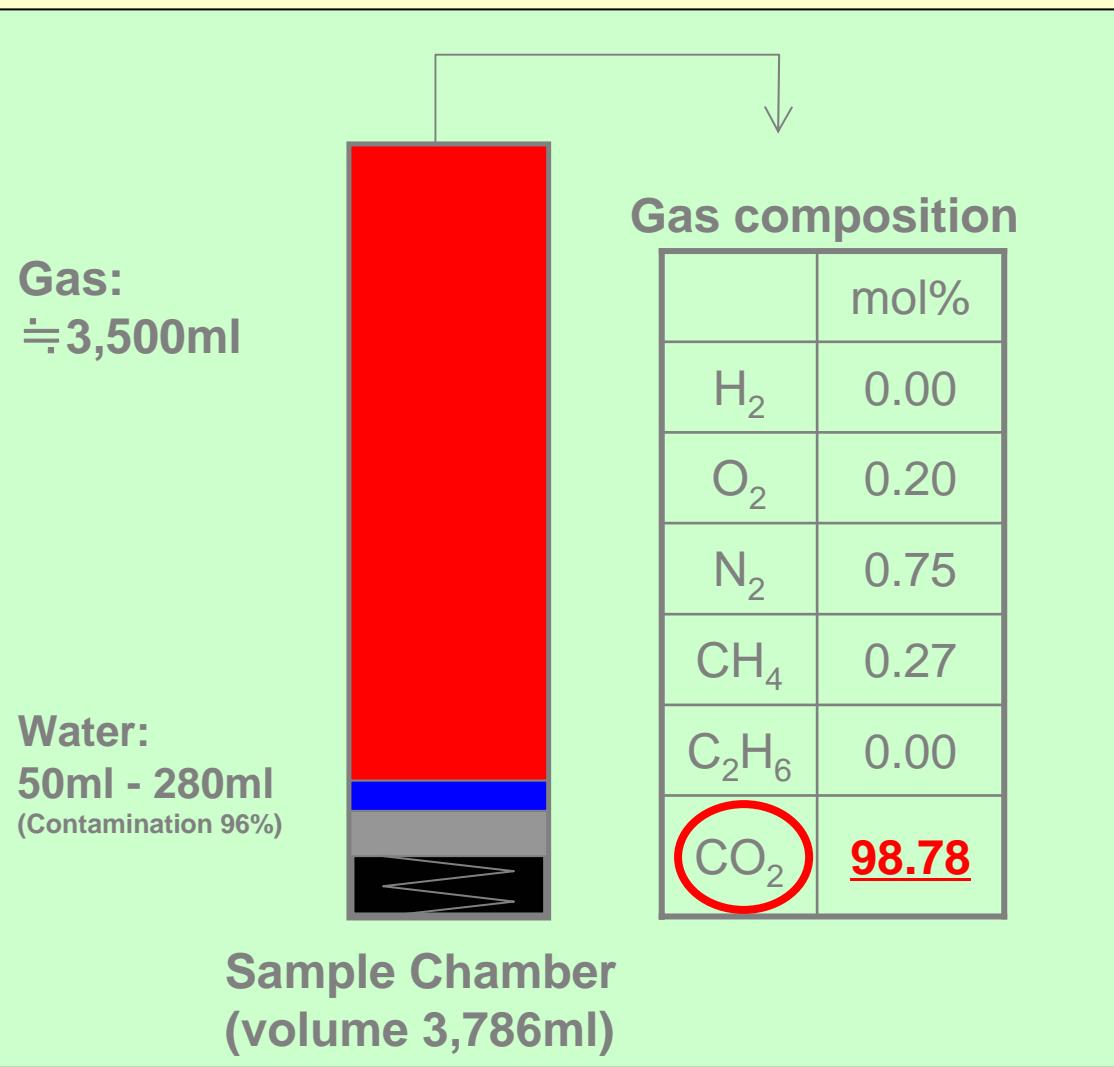
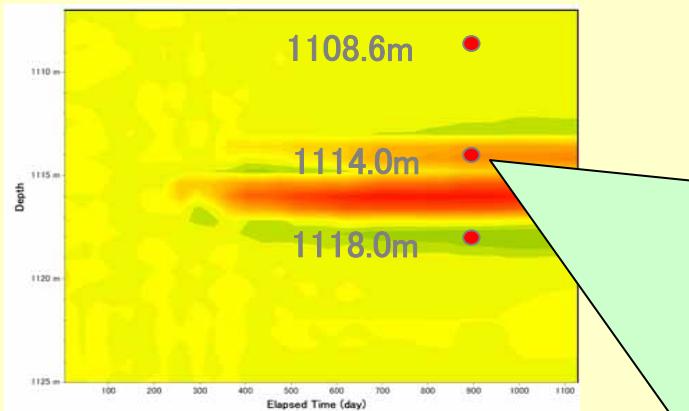


# Fluid Sampling Points at OB-2



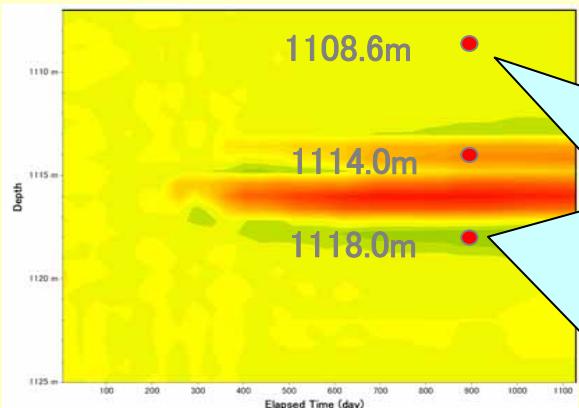
# Fluid sampling

## OB-2 1114m : Mostly free CO<sub>2</sub>



# Fluid sampling

## OB-2 1108.6m & 1118m : Water



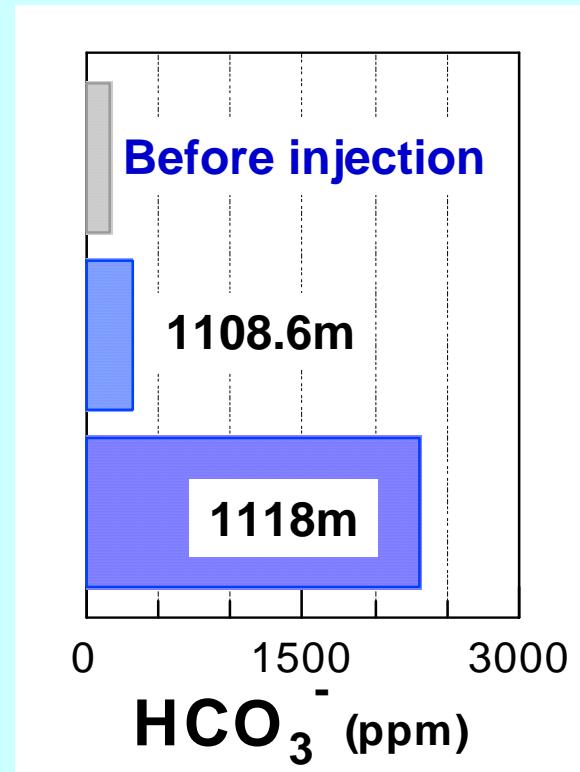
At 1118m,  
formation water  
rich in  
dissolved CO<sub>2</sub>.

Gas:  
None

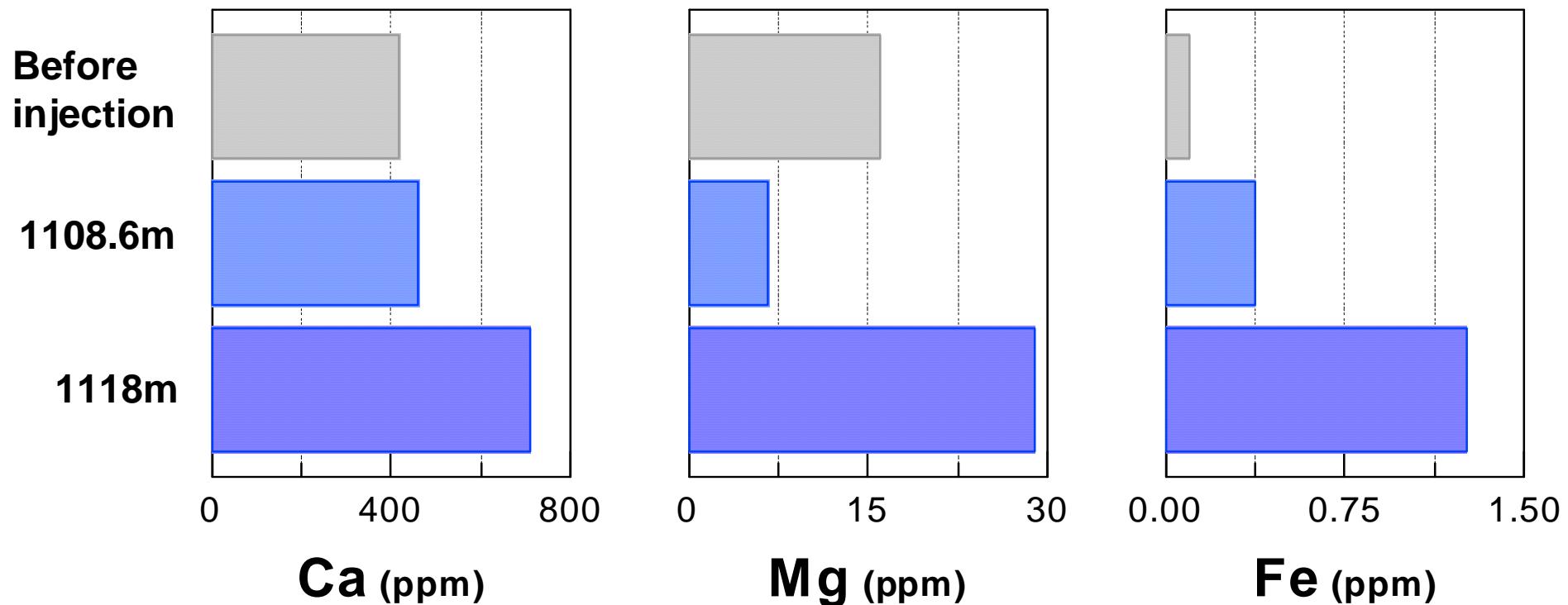
Water:  
3430ml  
-3540ml  
(Contamination <1%)



Sample Chamber  
(volume 3,786ml)

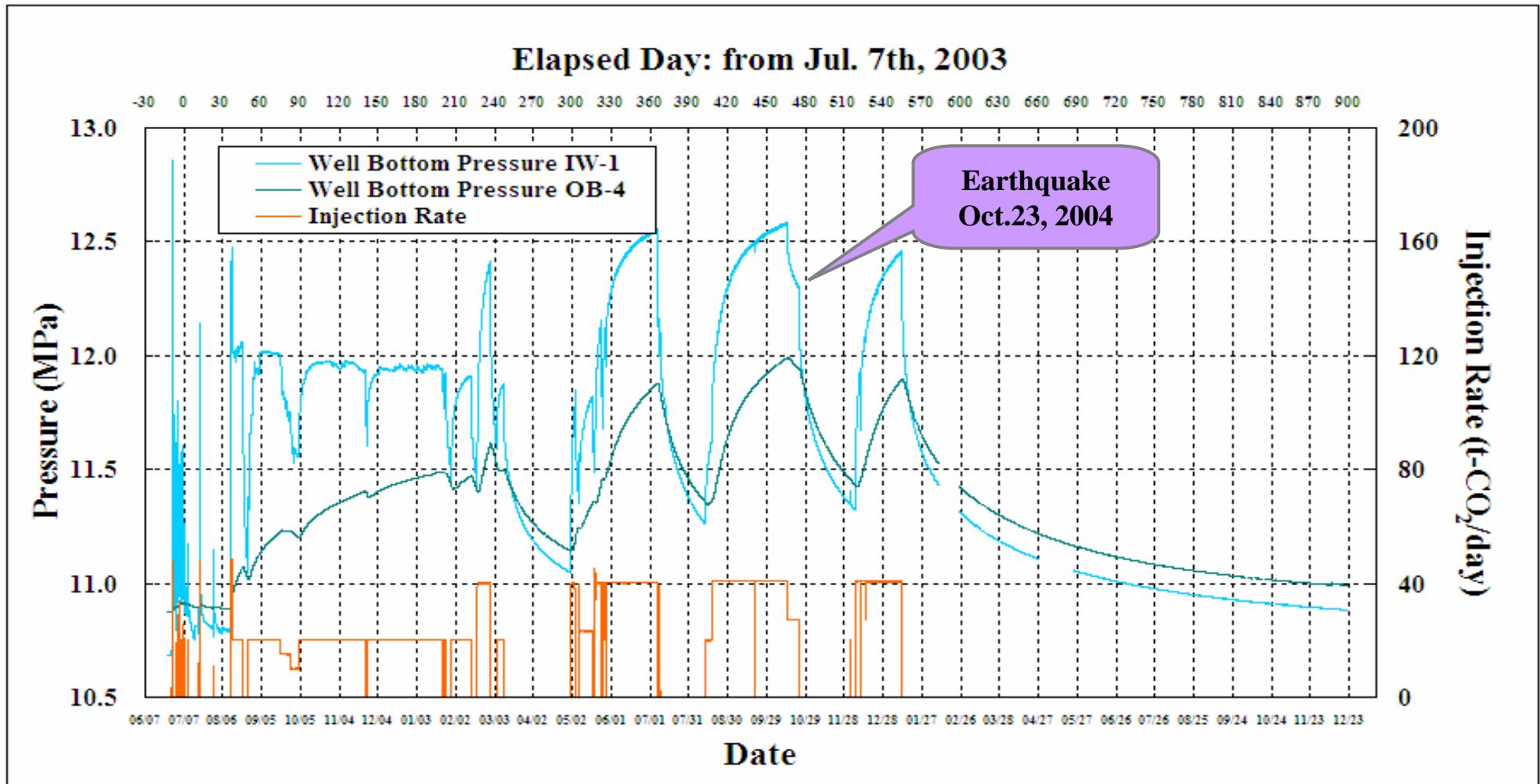


# Fluid sampling OB-2 1108.6m & 1118m : Ca, Mg & Fe



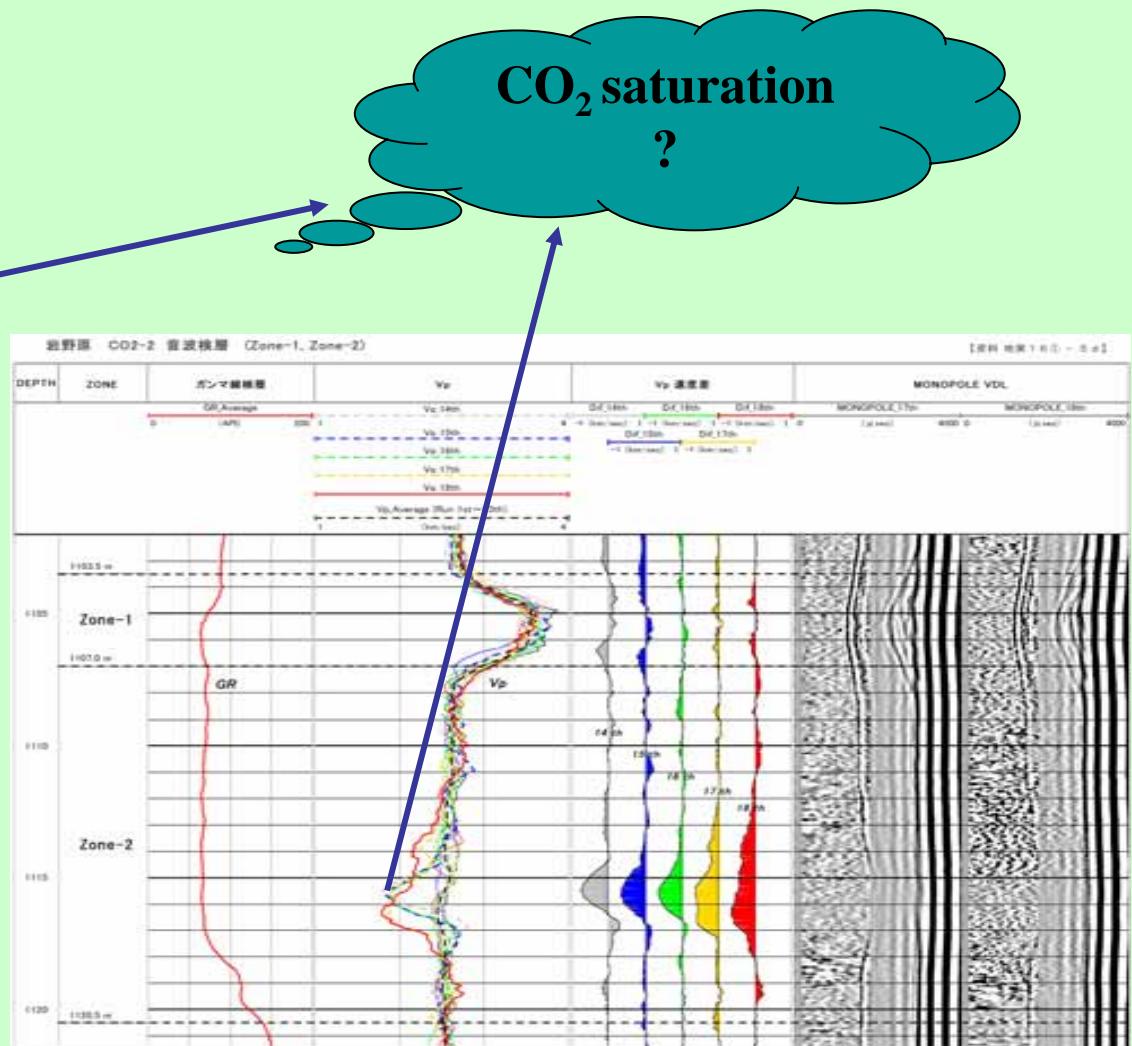
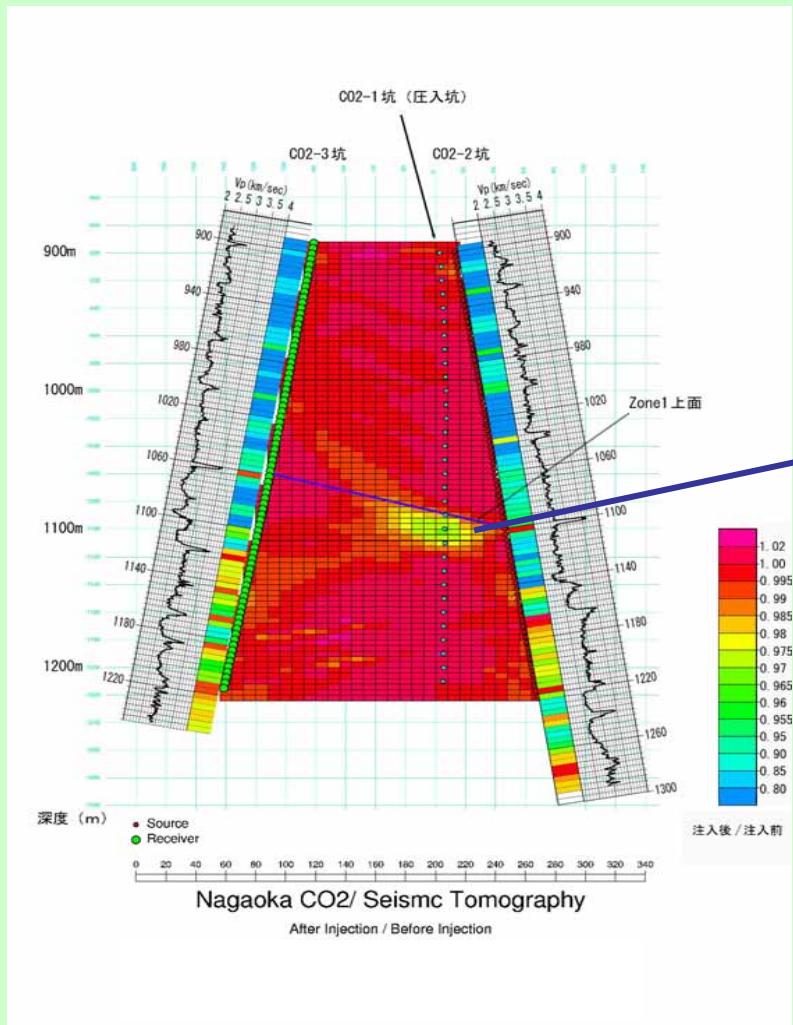
*At the depth of 1118m ( $\text{HCO}_3^-$  conc. increased),  
concentrations of Ca, Mg and Fe also increased.*

# Formation Pressure Measurements

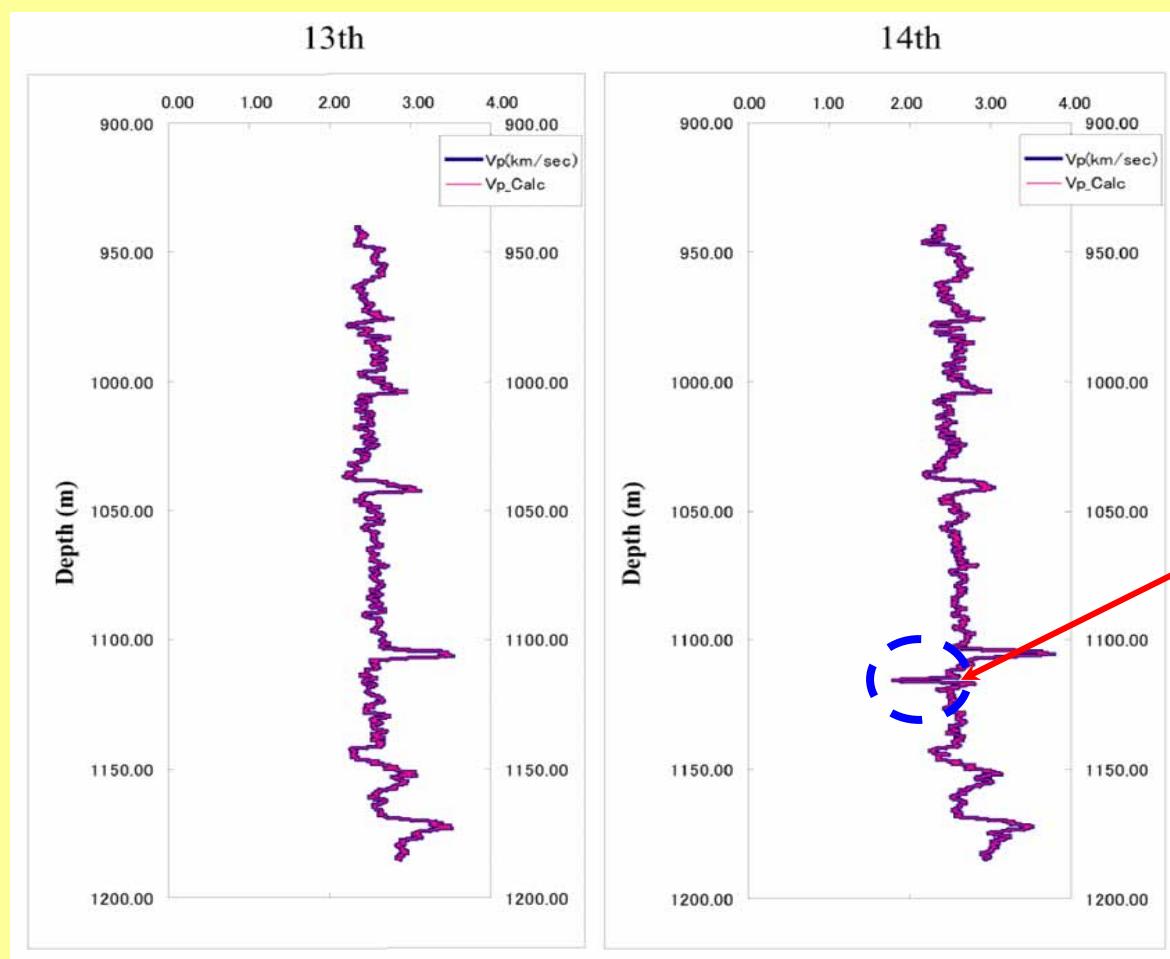


## ***Interpretations on CO<sub>2</sub> Monitoring Results***

***Can we quantify *in situ* CO<sub>2</sub> ?***



# History Matching on Sonic Vp



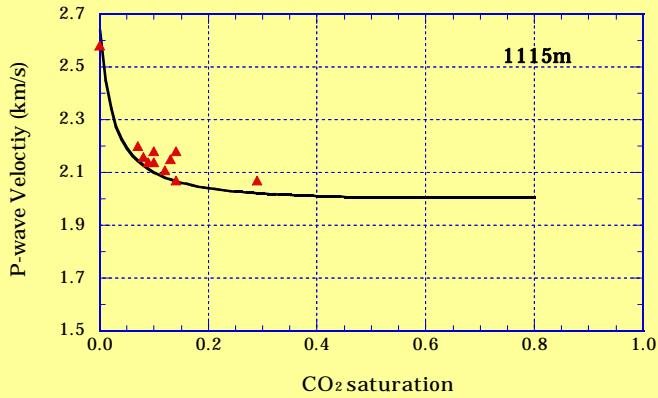
Estimation of CO<sub>2</sub>Saturation  
with Gassmann theory



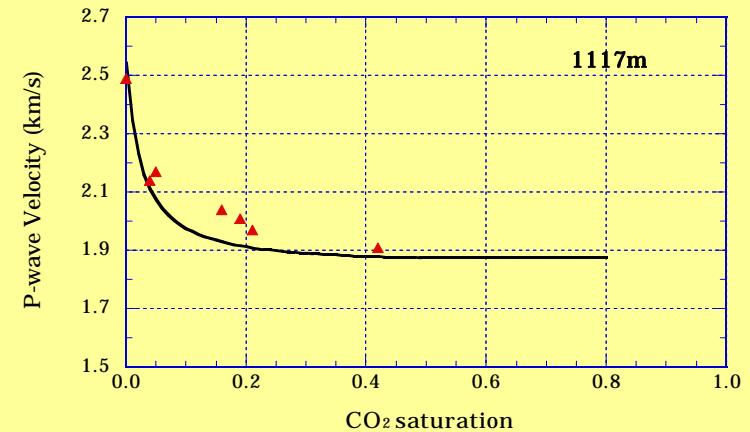
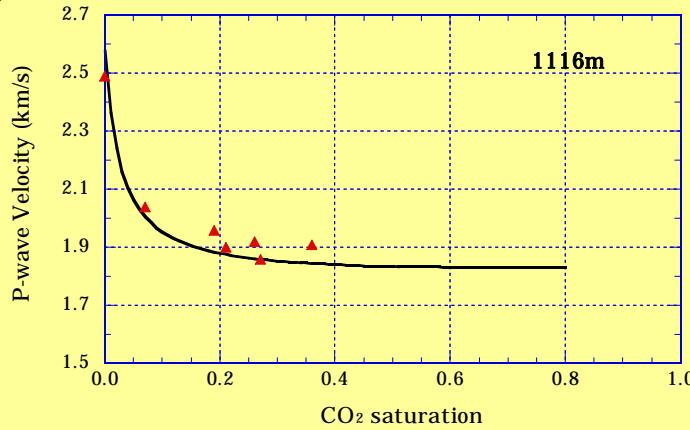
Velocity reduction due to  
breakthrough of CO<sub>2</sub>

Xue et al.,2006

*Sonic Vp in Observation Well OB-2 at Nagaoka CO<sub>2</sub> Injection Site*

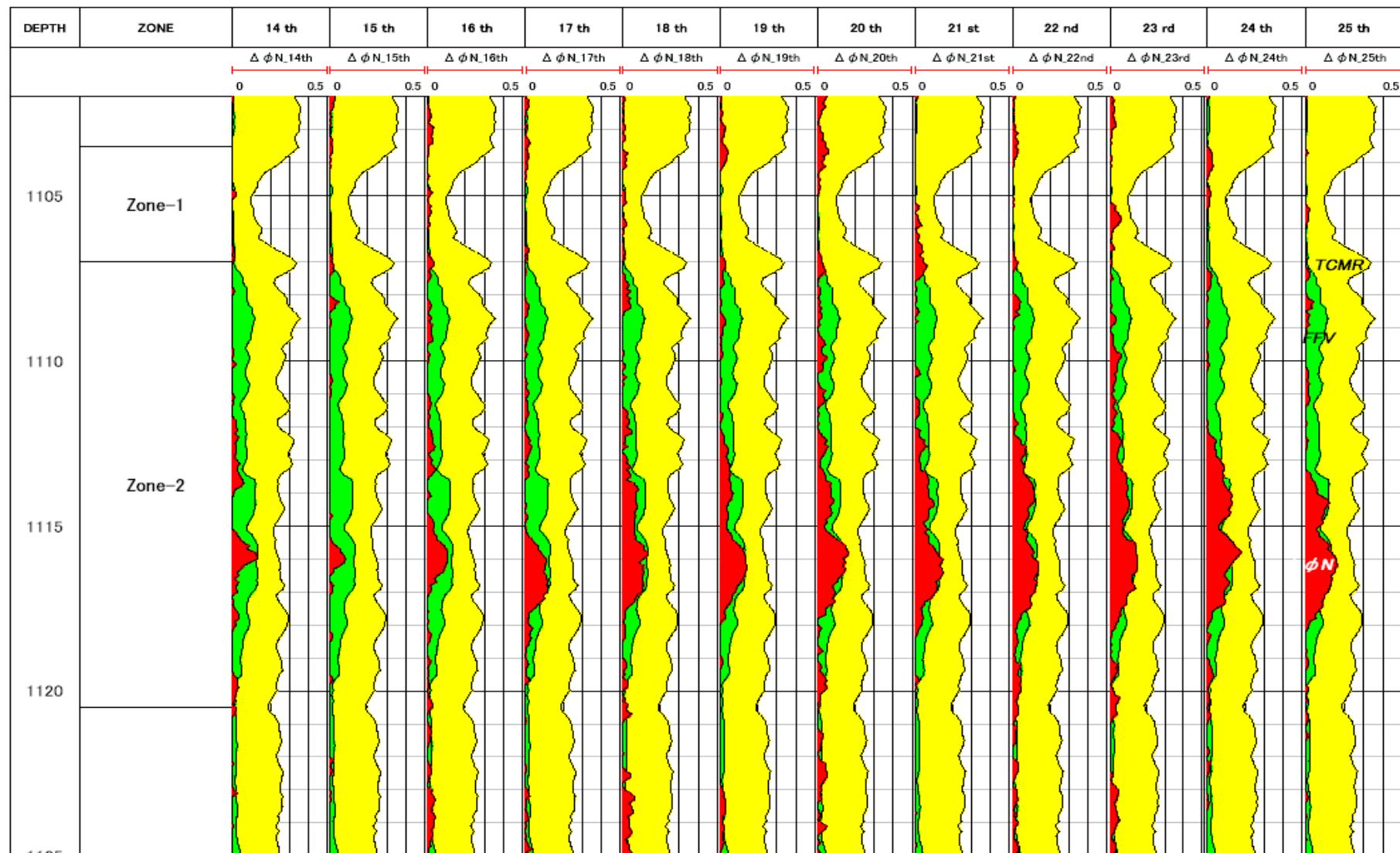


## P-wave velocity vs CO<sub>2</sub> saturation



▲ : estimated from sonic Vp  
@ OB-2

# CO<sub>2</sub> saturation in OB-2 (from NMR Log)



## **Conclusion Remarks**

- Time-lapse crosswell seismic tomography and well logging data image CO<sub>2</sub> clearly.
- CO<sub>2</sub> migration pattern depends strongly on the heterogeneity of the sandstone reservoir.
- Successfully applied Gassmann Theory to estimate CO<sub>2</sub> saturation from sonic P-wave velocity.
- Results of CO<sub>2</sub> monitoring improved understandings of CO<sub>2</sub> storage and show no evidence of leakage, even in the Mid-Niigata Earthquake (M6.8) on October 23, 2004.

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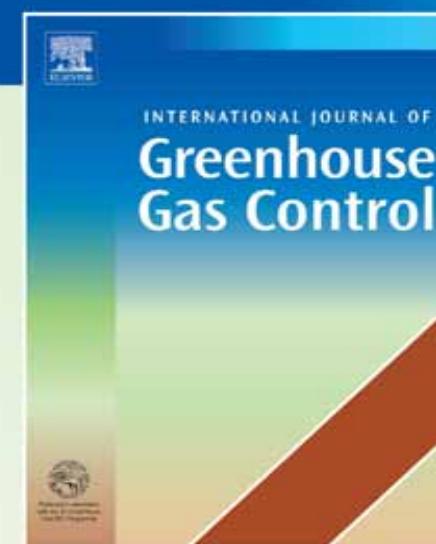
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