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We are very pleased with your interest and continued support of the CBTH consortium. This edition of our newsletter will provide information concerning the past few months and upcoming events. We hope you have been using the GIS database and website. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

If you are not a sponsor and are interested in participating in the CBTH consortium, we encourage you to take a minute to review our website (www.ig.utexas.edu/research/projects/cbth), where you can also download our project proposal, demos and previous newsletters. Please feel free to contact us at cbth@ig.utexas.edu.

Addition to the CBTH Research Team

With this new semester we welcome one new addition to the CBTH team. Sandra Witsker is a PhD student from Germany beginning her studies at the University of Stavanger. Sandra graduated from Free University in Berlin in 2009, where she studied Geophysics at the Institute of Geological Sciences. Sandra is conducting a global study of accretionary prisms. Where her research overlaps with CBTH, she will collaborate with our researchers.

We are excited about the new addition to our research team. To learn more about any of our research team, please visit: http://www.ig.utexas.edu/research/projects/cbth/proj_reshtm

Company Contacts

The following people have volunteered to serve as our main contacts for CBTH. All data generated by CBTH is provided to the sponsoring companies through these individuals. Please let us know if your company representative changes during this study. We greatly appreciate all the extra efforts by the contacts for the CBTH project!

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Taking on the world's toughest energy challenges."

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CBTH software support

Bill Agee Landmark Graphics bagee@lgc.com



Landmark Graphics is kindly providing our interpretative software.

IVS₃D

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We are also using an exciting visualization package called Fledermaus from IVS3D.

Zetaware Genesis



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Zetaware has generously provided CBTH with two copies of Genesis which is their basin modeling package.

PaleoGIS



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CBTH and the UTIG PLATES project has acquired a license for the ESRI ArcGIS extension, "PaleoGIS," a plate reconstruction program combining the advantages of quantitative plate reconstruction with incorporation of GIS based data. Using this software, CBTH is working with Dr. Ian Norton to improve our plate reconstructions of the Caribbean.

Chesapeake Technology

For a list of distributors, visit:



http://www.chesapeaketech.com/distr-list.html

CBTH has purchased the ImageToSEGY software which allows conversion of analog paper seismic records to SEGY format. This will allow us to convert paper data in our possession to SEGY and to thereby increase its value in our regional studies. All converted data will be provided to sponsors.

Data Distribution

Theses, Dissertations, and Other Documents

http://www.ig.utexas.edu/research/projects/cbth/SponsorsOnly/thes_diss.htm

Movies

http://www.ig.utexas.edu/research/projects/cbth/SponsorsOnly/movies.htm

Venmar

http://www.ig.utexas.edu/research/projects/cbth/SponsorsOnly/VenmarHtml/GIS/2009/

Past Meetings and Events

Dr. Carlos Vargas attended the Petroleum Show in Bogota, Colombia, on December 1-5, 2009, and presented the keynote talk entitled "Hydrocarbon potential in Colombia." This talk integrated his work with CBTH results from other team members working on the ANH Colombia data set (Whitehill, Campos, Bernal). He also presented a poster at the AGU meeting in San Francisco entitled "Mophologic expression of accretion along the Pacific margin of Colombia inferred from high-resolution bathymetric data".

Researchers from the University of Texas and the University of Stavanger met with sponsors in Houston and Oslo, respectively, to discuss current and future research topics of CBTH.

Meeting Presentations

AGU Annual Meeting

available at:

http://www.ig.utexas.edu/research/projects/cbth/SponsorsOnly/POSTERS/AGU/agu.htm

Vargas, C. et al. (2005), Morphologic expression of accretion processes along the Pacific margin of Colombia inferred from high-resolution bathymetric data: AGU annual meeting, San Francisco, CA.

Colombian Petroleum Show

available at:

http://www.ig.utexas.edu/research/projects/cbth/SponsorsOnly/POSTERS/AGU/agu.htm

Vargas, C. (2009) Hydrocarbon Potential in Colombia, Colombian Petroleum Show, Bogata, Colombia.

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Upcoming Meetings

Keep an eye on our website for updates and more information for these upcoming events.

www.ig.utexas.edu/research/projects/cbth/links.htm

American Association of Petroleum Geologists

When: April 11-14, 2010 Where: New Orleans, LA

CBTH will have 11 presentations at this year's AAPG.

Please refer to our website

(http://www.ig.utexas.edu/research/projects/cbth/do cuments/2010AAPGabstracts.pdf) where you can read the abstracts for these new presentations. We will also be arranging for a sponsor activity which sponsor representatives will be alerted of the details in the coming weeks. We hope to see you there!

Alvarez and Tectonic habitat of hydrocarbons in

Mann the deep- and ultra-deepwater

frontier areas of Trinidad and

Tobago

Mann

Bernal and Characterizing the structural style

and age of the Romeral fault zone in

the subsurface of the Lower Magdalena basin, Colombia

Bingham et Creaming Curves and Discovery

al Trends of 5 basins from the Gulf of

Mexico to Northern South America

Campos Tectonic influence of the Cordillera

and Mann Oriental thrust salient on the

shortening and subsidence history of the Llanos foreland basin of

Colombia

Emmet and Early Cenozoic rift inversion: key to

Mann understanding the structural

framework and petroleum potential

of the Nicaraguan Rise

Mann et Tectonic setting and hydrocarbon al trendology of a reported 7-8 TCF

trendology of a reported 7-8 TCF giant gas Discovery, eastern Gulf of

Venezuela

Punette et Tectonic and eustatic controls on

al the origin of shelf sands and associated facies, offshore NCMA

area of Trinidad and Tobago

Rodriguez Effects of Laramide foreland basin

tectonics on structure, subsidence, and hydrocarbons of the Mexican

sector of the Gulf of Mexico

Vargas et Morphologic expression of the

accretion process in the SW margin

of the Pacific of Colombia interpreted by means bathymetric

high-resolution data

Wenxiu Tectono-stratigraphic evolution of

the continental shelf of Guyana and

Suriname

Whitehill et Tectono-stratigraphic framework of

the western Maracaibo block,

Colombia-Venezuela: Implications

for hydrocarbon exploration

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