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22 **Abstract**

23 Ischia is a volcanic island, west to the caldera of Campi Flegrei, Southern Italy. Since the
24 deployment of a modern seismic network in 1970, until the 21st August 2017 earthquake, the
25 seismicity of Ischia has been characterized by low magnitude ($M_d \leq 2.3$) earthquakes located
26 in the northern part of the island, mostly beneath the town of Casamicciola Terme at very
27 shallow depths (around 500 m). Some of these events seem to have occurred on the same
28 seismogenetic structure, in the northern part of the island. This area coincides with that
29 where the devastating events of 1881 and 1883 occurred and where the small magnitude
30 seismicity recorded between 1927-1936 was located. The August 2017 seismic sequence
31 affected the same area. The current network configuration is able to locate shallow events
32 with $M \geq 1.0$ and to detect smaller earthquakes or other types of natural and artificial events
33 (e.g. blast fishing, geothermal well explosions; see section 2). Here we present the catalogue of
34 earthquakes recorded on Ischia between 1999 and February 2018 and we compare the
35 August 2017 seismic sequence with the background seismicity. Furthermore we have
36 identified a sequence of events possibly linked to the explosion of a geothermal well on the
37 island.

38 **1 - Introduction**

39 Ischia is one of the three volcanic complexes around the city of Naples on the tyrrhenian
40 margin of south Italy, which last erupted in 1302 (Civetta et al., 1991). Its eruptive history has
41 been accompanied by remarkable ground uplift due to the resurgence of the ancient caldera
42 (Orsi et al., 1991; Acocella and Funiciello, 1999; Molin et al., 2003; Paoletti et al., 2013) that
43 was formed after the eruption of the Mount Epomeo Green Tuff, about 55 ky.b.p (Civetta et al.,
44 1991). Its recent geological history is dominated by the earthquakes of 1881 (De Rossi M. S.,
45 1881) and 1883 (Carlino et al., 2010), which seriously affected Casamicciola Terme, and the
46 other municipalities of the island (Fig. 1). After this event, in 1885, the scientist Giulio

47 Grablovitz (1846-1928) founded a Geophysical Observatory on the island. In this observatory
48 Grablovitz installed a seismic tank, an instrument capable of measuring and recording on
49 paper the oscillations of the water contained in a tank, with respect to the ground (Ferrari,
50 2009). The Geophysical Observatory stopped working for scientific purposes in 1923.
51 Although not all of the observations made at the Observatory of Grablovitz have come down
52 to us in a complete form, this scientific institution has, however, prompted attention around
53 the geophysical phenomena of Ischia (Parascandola, 1937). This study allows us to know that
54 the first decades after 1885 were characterized by very low seismicity. In the same
55 observatory a seismic station has been installed in 1993, and it has successively been
56 upgraded into a multi-parametric station, with the addition of new seismometric and
57 accelerometric sensors (Capello et al., 2011). This site, along with other three seismic stations
58 on the island, are managed by the Osservatorio Vesuviano and allowed to monitor the
59 seismicity of the island in the last decades.

60 Geophysical and geochemical measurements have shown the presence on the island of an
61 extensive hydrothermal system, which in some cases has led to explosion of geothermal wells,
62 as in 1995, 2001 (Chiodini et al., 2004).

63 For what concerns ground deformation, in the past history of the island, geological evidences
64 have shown that it was characterized by strong uplift episodes, in particular an uplift of more
65 than 700 m occurred after the Mount Epomeo green tuff eruption ~ 55ky.b.p. (Vezzoli, 1988).
66 The current trend of deformation shows a general subsidence of the Mt. Epomeo block and
67 areas characterized by active landsliding (Manzo et al., 2006).

68 In the following, the present work describes in detail the seismicity of the island in relation to
69 its structural and volcanic setting and with respect to the main features of the historical
70 seismicity. Moreover, a comparison between the August 2017 seismic sequence and the
71 previous seismicity is reported.

72 **2 - The seismic network**

73 Since the installation of the first permanent modern seismic stations in 1993 (OC9), the
74 seismic network of Ischia has undergone a progressive improvement that continues today.
75 Currently the network consists of four permanent sites: IOCA/OC9 (Osservatorio di
76 Casamicciola), IFOR/FO9 (Forio d'Ischia), CAI (Castello Aragonese), and IMTC (Monte Corvo)
77 (Fig. 1 and Table 1). Until 2009 the seismic network consisted exclusively of analogue stations
78 (OC9, FO9 and CAI). In 2009 the analogue station FO9 was complemented by a digital
79 broadband station (IFOR), equipped with a Guralp CMG-40T seismometer and an InfraCyrus
80 infrasound sensor (Buonocunto et al., 2011). In 2011 the site of OC9 was implemented with a
81 broadband seismometer, an accelerometer and a broadband infrasound sensor (Chaparral
82 25V). In April 2015 a new seismic station, IMTC, was installed in the area of Monte Corvo (Fig.
83 1) and was equipped with a Guralp CMG-40T 60s and a GILDA datalogger (Orazi et al., 2006).
84 In August 2017, after a Magnitude 4.0 earthquake that caused two casualties and serious
85 damage to Casamicciola Terme, several mobile seismic stations were added to the Ischia
86 network (Fig. 1 and Table 1). At the present, all the data recorded by the permanent stations
87 are continuously transmitted in real-time to the monitoring center of Osservatorio Vesuviano
88 using both analog (16 bit A/D conversion) and digital (24 bit A/D conversion) systems.

89 A complete seismic catalogue is available since 1999 and includes 269 seismic transients of
90 local origin. In figure 2 we show the numerical proportion among different types of signals
91 that are classified based on their waveform characteristics and frequency components.
92 Examples of transient signals of the different categories are shown in figure 3, both in the time
93 and in the frequency domain. The categories are: earthquakes (29.0%; Fig. 3A); explosions
94 (13.7%; Fig. 3C,F); landslides (5.9%; Fig. 3B); other (51.3%; Fig. 3D,E). The category "others"
95 contains all the transient of unknown origin or which cannot be clearly classified. Some of the
96 events falling in this category are probably of natural origin (e.g. thunder, Fig. 3D).

97 Local earthquakes (A in Fig. 3) usually have a peculiar high frequency onset, followed by an
98 almost exponential waveform envelope. The landslide signals are generally characterized by
99 an emergent onset and a frequency content <10 Hz. In figure 3B we show a 1000 s long
100 recording of a significant landslide occurred at the town of Casamicciola Terme on 2009-11-
101 10 which caused a casualty (Santo et al., 2012). Explosions from illegal fishing activities along
102 the coast of the island are often recorded with clear signals, characterized by a marked low-
103 frequency (<5 Hz) seismo-acoustic phase, following the event onset (Fig. 3C). Thunder is
104 usually characterized by a broad spectrum and by an irregular waveform envelope (Fig. 3D).
105 On 2005-09-10 at 15:11 UTC, a powerful seismic signal, accompanied by a loud boom, was
106 recorded by stations as far as 80 km away from Ischia (Fig. 3E). D'Auria et al. (2006)
107 associated this transient to the atmospheric trajectory and the subsequent airburst of a
108 bolide, about 15 km SW of the island, at an elevation of about 11.5 km.

109 In figure 3F we show the spectrogram of one of the three seismo-acoustic signals recorded
110 during the explosions of a geothermal well on 2005-03-27 and discussed in section 5.

111 For understanding the geodynamics of Ischia, the study of local earthquakes is doubtless an
112 important topic. The accelerometric station IOCA was installed in 2011. Its records were
113 fundamental during the August 21st 2017 earthquake with duration Magnitude (Md)=4.0,
114 which signal saturated all the other stations located on the island.

115 In figure 4 we represent the spectrograms of two earthquakes of comparable magnitude,
116 recorded by the accelerometer IOCA: the Md=1.6 earthquake of 2013-12-10 and the Md=1.5
117 earthquake of 2017-08-30, and the spectrogram of the 21 August 2017 main earthquake. The
118 spectral content is quite similar, however their waveforms are different, probably due to a
119 different location and mechanism. The 2017 earthquake has been located, below the town of
120 Casamicciola Terme at a depth of 1.8 km, using the improved seismic network of Osservatorio
121 Vesuviano and two stations of the mobile seismic network (Fig. 1 and Table 1). The

122 improvement of the network after 21th August allowed a better characterization of the
123 earthquake parameters providing insights into the dynamics of the island.

124 **3 - Magnitude statistics**

125 Since 1999, at least 78 earthquakes have been identified on the recordings of the Ischia
126 seismic network (updated to February 21st 2018). In Table 2 (see Table S1, available in the
127 electronic supplement to this article) we report the whole seismic catalogue with the
128 hypocentral parameters of the located earthquakes. Magnitudes are estimated using a
129 duration magnitude relationship derived for the Campi Flegrei caldera (D'Auria et al., 2011).
130 Before 2017 the seismicity of Ischia has been characterized by small and very shallow events,
131 most of which were detectable only in Casamicciala Terme, which is the main simogenetic
132 zone of the island, therefore many parameters, in Table 2, are undetermined. For the same
133 reason, defining a magnitude-duration scaling was not easy. Thus the scale created for the
134 Campi Flegrei was adopted on the basis of the similar geological and volcanological context of
135 the two volcanoes. The duration of the seismic recording is estimated through the visual
136 analysis of the seismograms. In figure 5 the magnitude versus time plot shows that during the
137 whole considered time interval the seismicity rate was low and almost stationary with a
138 sudden rise during the August 2017 seismic swarm. Earthquakes with $M \geq 1.9$ have been
139 always felt by people (black dots in figure 5), although earthquakes with a lower magnitude
140 have sometimes been perceived (e.g. the 2007-06-06 event with $M=1.3$).

141 The Gutenberg-Richter (GR) statistics shows a b-value of 0.75 ± 0.13 and a magnitude of
142 completeness $M_c = 1.3 \pm 0.15$ (Fig. 6). These parameters were estimated using the approach of
143 Ogata and Katsura (1993).

144 In order to quantify the performance of the seismic network we have estimate the magnitude
145 thresholds for earthquake detection and location. Following Tramelli et al. (2013) we have
146 computed theoretical P-wave amplitudes for an earthquake of a given magnitude comparing

147 them with an average seismic noise level at each station. Using a single corner frequency
148 spectral model (Boatwright et al., 1991) and taking into account geometrical spreading and
149 anelastic attenuation we have computed theoretical amplitudes from each possible
150 hypocenter to each seismic station for the magnitude range from -1 to 4. Computations have
151 been performed considering a homogeneous velocity model with P-wave velocity of 3.5 km/s
152 and a P-wave quality factor $Q_P=100$. The former value is a rough average of a 3D model
153 resulting from seismic tomography (D'Auria et al., 2008), while the Q_P comes from the
154 extrapolation of an average value of Q_S retrieved for the Campi Flegrei caldera (Del Pezzo and
155 Bianco, 2013). We have estimated as average noise level the value of 2×10^{-5} m/s for the
156 stations located on the Ischia Island. This value is comparable with the results obtained by Del
157 Pezzo et al. (2013) for the Campi Flegrei area.

158 In figure 7 we show the obtained location and detection thresholds. This analysis allows
159 understanding where earthquakes, with a certain magnitude, can occur without being
160 recorded by any seismic station. On panels a and c we plot the detection threshold (i.e. the
161 minimum magnitude for an earthquake to be detected) at different depths. It can be seen that
162 the network is able to detect all the events with a magnitude higher than 0.5 located at a
163 depth of 500m or less in most part of the island; the magnitude threshold increases in the
164 southeast of the island. Close to the seismic station the detection threshold is obviously much
165 lower reaching values even less than 0. At depth of 2 km the threshold reaches values of about
166 1.0 over the whole island (Fig. 7). This result is compatible with the magnitude of
167 completeness estimated from the GR relationship (Fig. 6).

168 We have also estimated the magnitude threshold for earthquakes that could be located. In our
169 case we have chosen it as the minimum magnitude for an earthquake to be detected by at
170 least 3 stations, assuming that at least one S wave arrival time is available. On panels b and d
171 of figure 7 we show the results of this analysis. On average the minimum magnitude for a

172 superficial earthquake (depth=500m) to be located is around 1.5. The value obviously
173 increases with the hypocentral depth. Earthquakes deeper than ~ 2.0 km beneath the Ischia
174 Island are not expected on the base of a study conducted by Castaldo et al., (2017), who used
175 the temperature distribution of the crust and the physical information of the rocks derived
176 from several and different observation to define the 3D brittle/ductile transition below the
177 island.

178 **4 - Hypocenter locations**

179 We have been able to locate 28 events having a number of phase pickings between 3 and 4.
180 Locations have been performed using a probabilistic approach (NonLinLoc, Lomax et al.,
181 2000) in a 3D tomographic velocity model (D'Auria et al., 2008). Hypocenters and their
182 uncertainty ellipsoids are shown in figure 8. Even if most of the hypocenters have large
183 uncertainties (Fig. 8), it can be seen that they are all located in the northern part of the island,
184 with a cluster of earthquakes located beneath the town of Casamicciola Terme at a depth of
185 about 500 m. This location coincides with the area affected by the historical seismicity, in
186 particular the destructive earthquakes of 1881 and 1883 and the small magnitude
187 earthquakes of the 1927-1936 (Parascandola, 1937; Carlino et al., 2010).

188 **5 - The March 27th 2005 seismo-acoustic transients**

189 In the recent history of Ischia some events, related to the violent degassing of exploratory
190 geothermal boreholes, have been observed (Chiodini et al., 2004). We report the analysis of a
191 sequence of events that are likely related to this kind of phenomenon. Between 00:48 and
192 00:51 UTC of 2005-03-27 the seismic network of Ischia recorded a sequence of at least three
193 seismic transients with complex waveforms (Fig. 9). In the same time interval, various people
194 living in towns at the SW corner of the island (Panza and Sant'Angelo) reported hearing loud

195 rumbles. The three events represent a unique sequence occurred within few minutes
196 therefore we assume a common source for them.

197 The waveforms of the three recorded events are quite different. However, they have two
198 common features: a first phase with an emergent onset and a second, strongest, seismic phase
199 with an impulsive onset. The traveltimes differences of this strongest phase are not compatible
200 with the body wave velocities of the area. To study the origin of this phase and to locate the
201 source of these 3 events we used a probabilistic Bayesian approach. Assuming a similar
202 source location for all the events, and setting the source depth to 0, we can define a
203 probability density function (p.d.f.):

$$204 \quad p(c, x, y) = e^{-m(c, x, y)},$$

205 where the misfit function m is defined as:

$$206 \quad m(c, x, y) = \sum_n \sum_i \sum_{j>i} \frac{[(t_i^{OBS} - t_j^{OBS})^2 - (t_i^{TH} - t_j^{TH})^2]}{\sigma_i^2 + \sigma_j^2}.$$

207 The index n runs over the event number (1-3), while indices i and j indicate the stations. σ is
208 the weight associated to each station. This approach mimics the double different method of
209 Waldhauser and Ellsworth (2001) and does not require the computation of the origin time.
210 Theoretical traveltimes are computed considering a straight path and a constant velocity c .
211 The marginal p.d.f. over the wave velocity:

$$212 \quad p_c = \int_{x,y} p(c, x, y) dx dy,$$

213 is represented in figure 10. At its maximum likelihood \hat{c} is 750 m/s, which is consistent with
214 the velocity of a surface wave. To locate the event we compute the conditional p.d.f.:
215 $p_{xy}(x, y) = p(\hat{c}, x, y)$, which is plotted on a map in figure 10. The maximum probability values
216 are located in the SW corner of Ischia, between the towns of Panza and Sant'Angelo. This area
217 coincides with that where rumbles were reported.

218 In summary, data indicate that a powerful source of surface and sound waves was located
219 between Panza and Sant'Angelo with complex source time functions, evidenced by analysing
220 the difference in the waveforms envelope between the 3 events. A likely source of this signal
221 is the violent repeated gas release from a borehole. In this case, the exact location of the well
222 has not been identified, but similar episodes recorded in the past were unequivocally linked
223 to the explosion of boreholes (Chiodini et al., 2004).

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225 **6 - The seismic sequence of August 2017**

226 The seismic sequence started with the Md=4.0 earthquake, located ~1.2 km below the town of
227 Casamicciola Terme. The earthquake occurred at 20:57 local time spreading the panic among
228 the inhabitants and the numerous tourists on the island. Most of the buildings located in the
229 southwest part of the town of Casamicciola Terme were highly damaged and two people died
230 because of this earthquake ([https://ingvterremoti.files.wordpress.com/2017/09/rapporto-
231 di-sintesi-sul-terremoto-6-settembre-2017-1.pdf](https://ingvterremoti.files.wordpress.com/2017/09/rapporto-di-sintesi-sul-terremoto-6-settembre-2017-1.pdf); Nappi et al., 2018). The seismic traces
232 recorded by the velocimeters on the island were saturated because of the high amplitudes.
233 Conversely the accelerometric recording of the station IOCA located at about 1 km away from
234 the hypocenter recorded the full signal dynamic and a peak-ground-acceleration of 0.28 g was
235 registered in this site (Fig. 4). The mainshock was followed by 24 low magnitude (Md<2.1)
236 aftershocks. The last events was recorded on 21st February 2018. All the hypocenters of these
237 events are located within an area of less than 8 km² with a maximum depth of 2.5 km.
238 DInSAR measurements observed a maximum coseismic deformation of about 4 cm in LOS
239 (Line Of Sight) (De Novellis et al., 2018). A shallow depth of the source was confirmed by the
240 inversion of these data. Moreover a macroseismic survey evidenced the presence of WNW-

241 ESE to E-W and WSW-ENE preferential coseismic fracture direction in the whole epicentral
242 area (Nappi et al., 2018).

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244 **7 - Conclusions**

245 We have characterized the recent seismicity of Ischia, considering hypocenters of the
246 background seismicity, as well as the August 2017 sequence. We observe that they are mostly
247 located in the same area affected by the historical seismicity and their depth is usually very
248 shallow (Fig. 8 and Table 2). The low hypocentral depth of the earthquakes confirms the
249 presence of a very shallow ductile-creep transition ($\sim 2000\text{m}$) as described by Castaldo et al.
250 (2017).

251 While the seismicity of nearby volcanoes, Campi Flegrei and Vesuvius, shows a clear
252 relationship with the dynamic of the volcanic hydrothermal system (D'Auria et al., 2011;
253 D'Auria et al., 2013), in Ischia, the recorded seismicity does not seem to be correlated with the
254 geothermal activity (Chiodini et al., 2004). The highest geothermal activity is indeed located in
255 the south-west portion of the island, which seems to be nearly aseismic, as evident by the top
256 panels of figure 8. This probably suggests that seismogenesis at Ischia is related to the
257 dynamic of structural features of the northern part of the island (Orsi et al., 1991; Acocella
258 and Funicello, 1999; Molin et al., 2003; Paoletti et al., 2013).

259 Even if the current seismic energy release rate is low ($700\text{MJ}/\text{year}$), shallow hypocenters led
260 to strong ground accelerations even for moderate magnitude event, as shown by the $M_d=4.0$
261 21st August 2017 earthquake, which excited a PGA of 0.28 g at the station IOCA.

262 Currently the seismic network configuration allows to detect earthquakes down to magnitude
263 0.0 in the northern part of the island and to locate earthquakes of $M \geq 1$ in the same area.
264 Those thresholds increase moving southward. In the future, the uncertainty in hypocentral
265 parameters of local earthquake, could be reduced by increasing the network density.

266 Moreover the addition of infrasound sensors to the existing seismic stations provides a useful
267 tool to discriminate among different kind of seismic events. In particular, it can be useful to
268 identify and locate explosions of geothermal boreholes, as occurred on March 2005 that can
269 be a further possible source of risk for the population of the island.

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T1361	40.7567N 13.8789E 7 m	Lacco Ameno Negombo	26/08/2017	Lennartz LE-3Dlite	Nanometrics Taurus	100
T1362	40.7346N 13.9100E 303 m	Casamiccio la T. Via Pera di Basso	26/08/2017 disinstalled 03/10/2017	Lennartz LE-3Dlite Episensor ES-T	Nanometrics Taurus+Trident	100 100
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T1365	40.7014N 13.9181E 130 m	Barano Hotel Villa a Mare	18/09/2017	Lennartz LE-3Dlite	Gilda	100
T1366	40.7373N 13.9046E 213 m	Casamiccio la T. Via S. Barbara	03/10/2017	Lennartz LE-3Dlite Episensor ES-T	Nanometrics Taurus	100 100
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1	1999-01-20	12:40:42	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.9	
2	1999-09-05	02:11:32	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.4	
3	1999-09-05	02:16:45	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.4	
4	1999-11-06	23:54:27	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	1.5	
5	2000-01-09	23:36:55	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.9	
6	2000-08-26	12:48:41	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.4	
7	2000-08-26	12:49:14	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	-0.1	
8	2000-08-26	21:47:26	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	-0.1	
9	2000-11-13	08:07:06	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.9	
10	2001-07-03	21:40:01	40.7669	13.8724	1.06	1.5	
11	2001-07-04	07:24:36	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.9	
12	2001-07-27	20:11:41	40.7411	13.9158	0.55	2.3	F
13	2001-11-29	21:03:01	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.8	
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15	2002-03-31	01:20:33	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	1.1	
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17	2002-06-07	13:47:51	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.4	
18	2003-07-21	15:35:54	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.6	
19	2003-12-14	17:51:28	40.7589	13.8971	0.01	1.3	
20	2004-09-03	01:49:44	40.7385	13.9001	0.74	1.5	
21	2005-03-25	12:49:18	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	
22	2005-05-04	15:27:27	40.7343	13.9034	1.13	0.5	
23	2005-05-04	15:28:02	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.5	
24	2006-03-19	21:21:04	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.9	
25	2006-11-14	04:41:03	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	-0.8	
26	2007-06-06	07:25:55	40.7410	13.9138	0.55	1.3	F
27	2008-04-05	11:16:01	40.7390	13.9203	0.52	2.3	F
28	2009-07-17	03:26:29	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.9	
29	2011-06-04	23:13:40	40.7470	13.8728	1.45	1.4	
30	2011-06-05	12:37:56	40.7410	13.9156	0.51	1.9	F
31	2011-06-05	14:10:03	40.7527	13.9154	1.88	2.2	F
32	2011-06-05	15:55:07	40.7390	13.9195	0.54	1.2	
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34	2011-06-05	20:26:47	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.7	
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37	2011-06-22	02:31:08	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	-0.5	
38	2011-06-22	02:33:45	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	-0.5	
39	2013-12-10	13:07:05	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	1.5	F
40	2014-02-09	11:56:27	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	
41	2014-02-09	11:56:32	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	1.6	F
42	2014-07-04	16:19:50	40.7698	13.9211	1.54	1.2	

43	2015-11-01	11:02:21	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	1.3	
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46	2016-02-10	23:49:28	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.6	
47	2016-08-31	18:11:11	40.7680	13.8942	2.96	1.9	F
48	2016-08-31	18:11:29	40.7347	13.9027	-0.47	2.3	F
49	2017-08-21	18:57:51	40.7385	13.8967	1.24	4.0	F
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58	2017-08-21	19:19:09	40.7346	13.9014	1.56	0.5	
59	2017-08-21	19:38:25	40.7346	13.8985	-0.51	1.3	
60	2017-08-21	19:38:39	40.7382	13.8944	-0.36	1.3	
61	2017-08-21	19:38:52	40.7375	13.9110	2.52	1.3	
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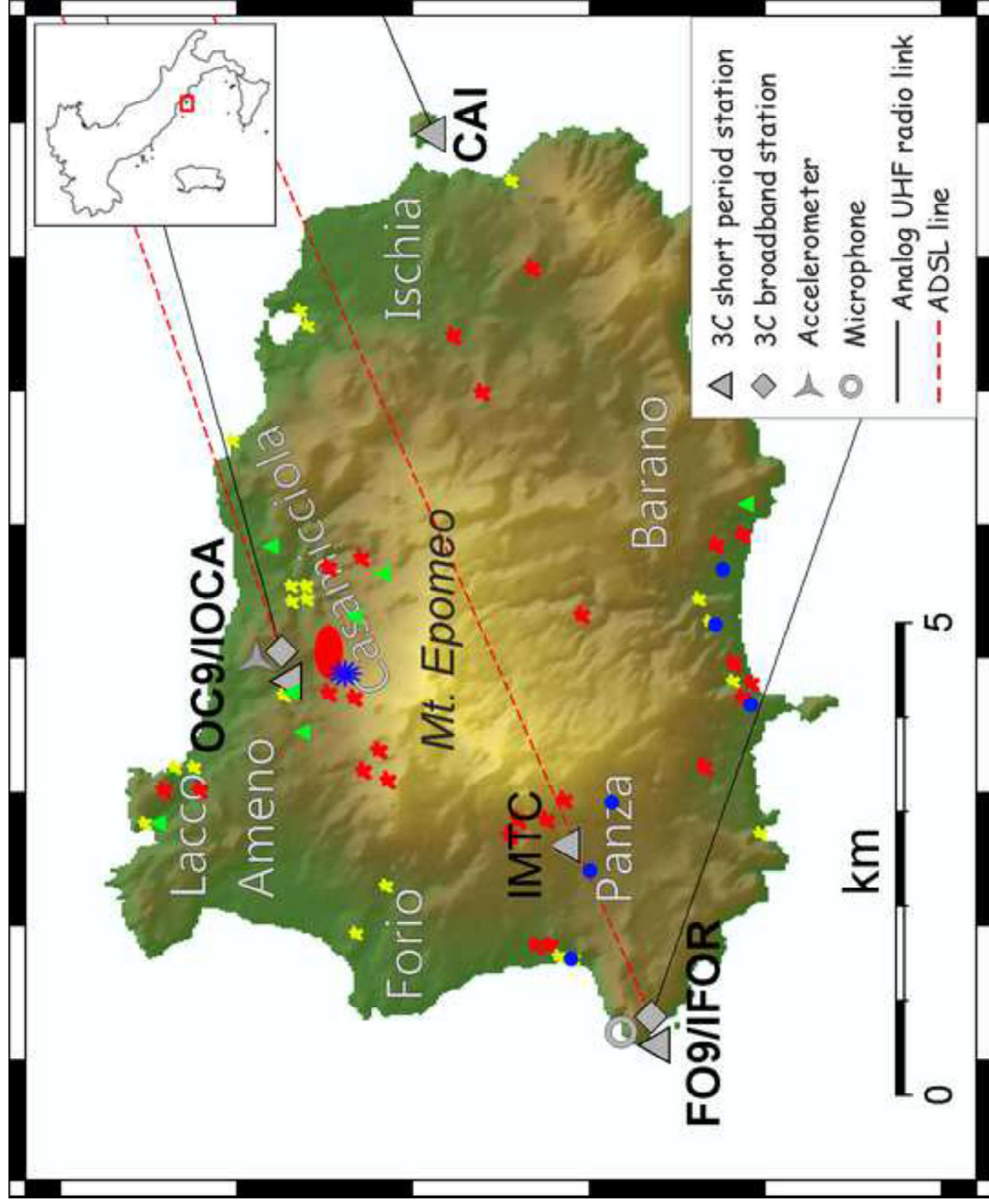


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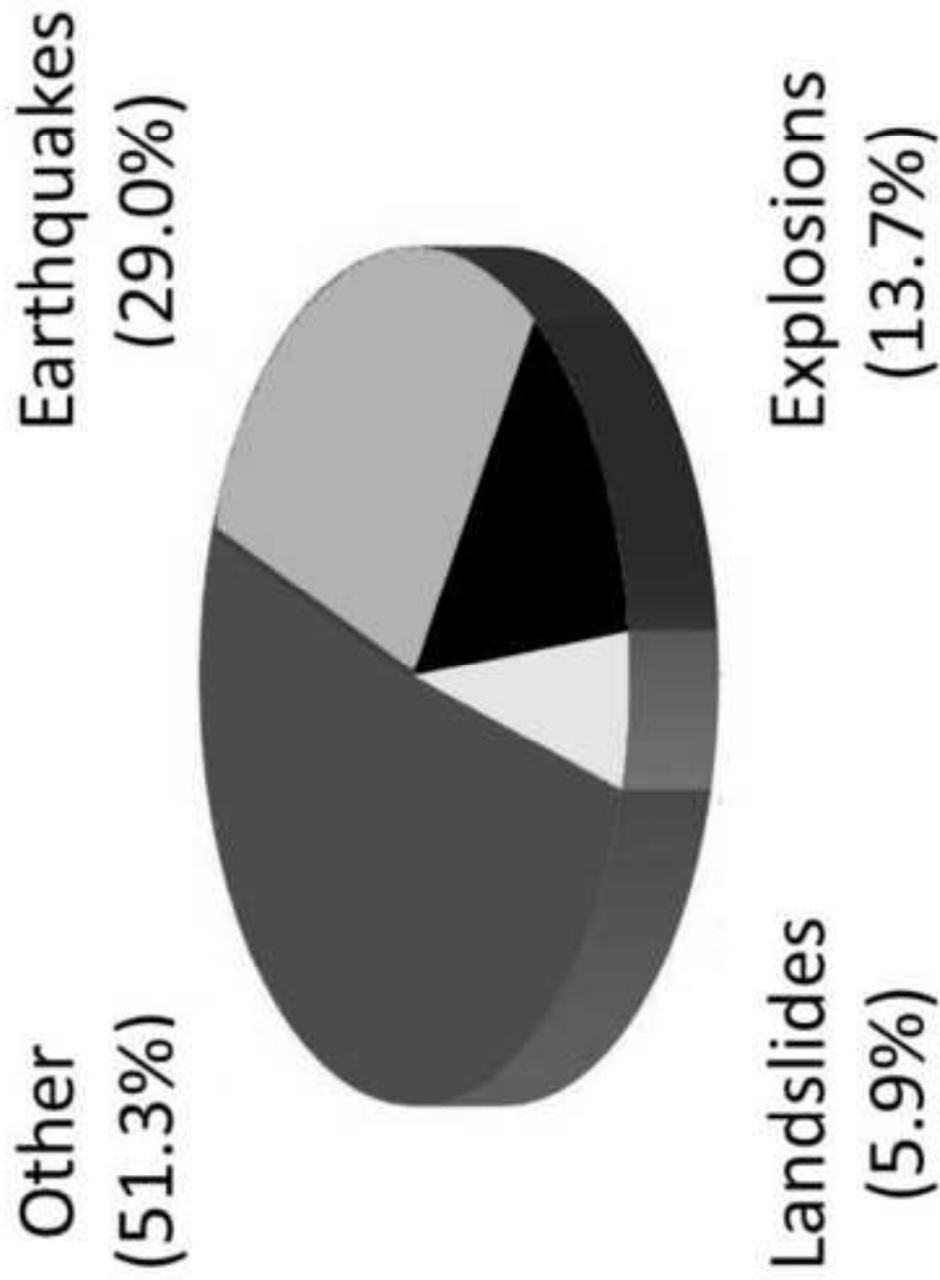


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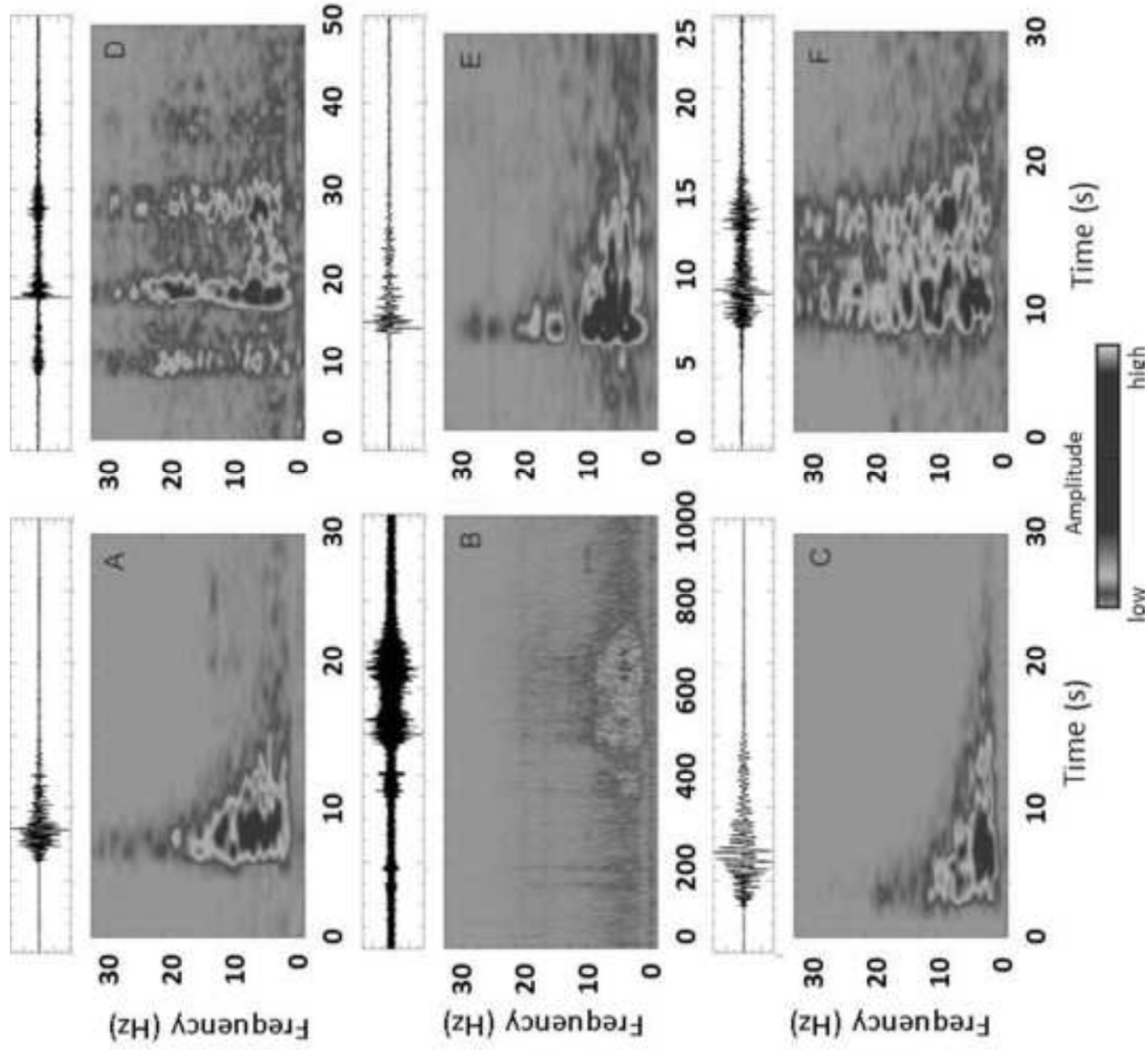


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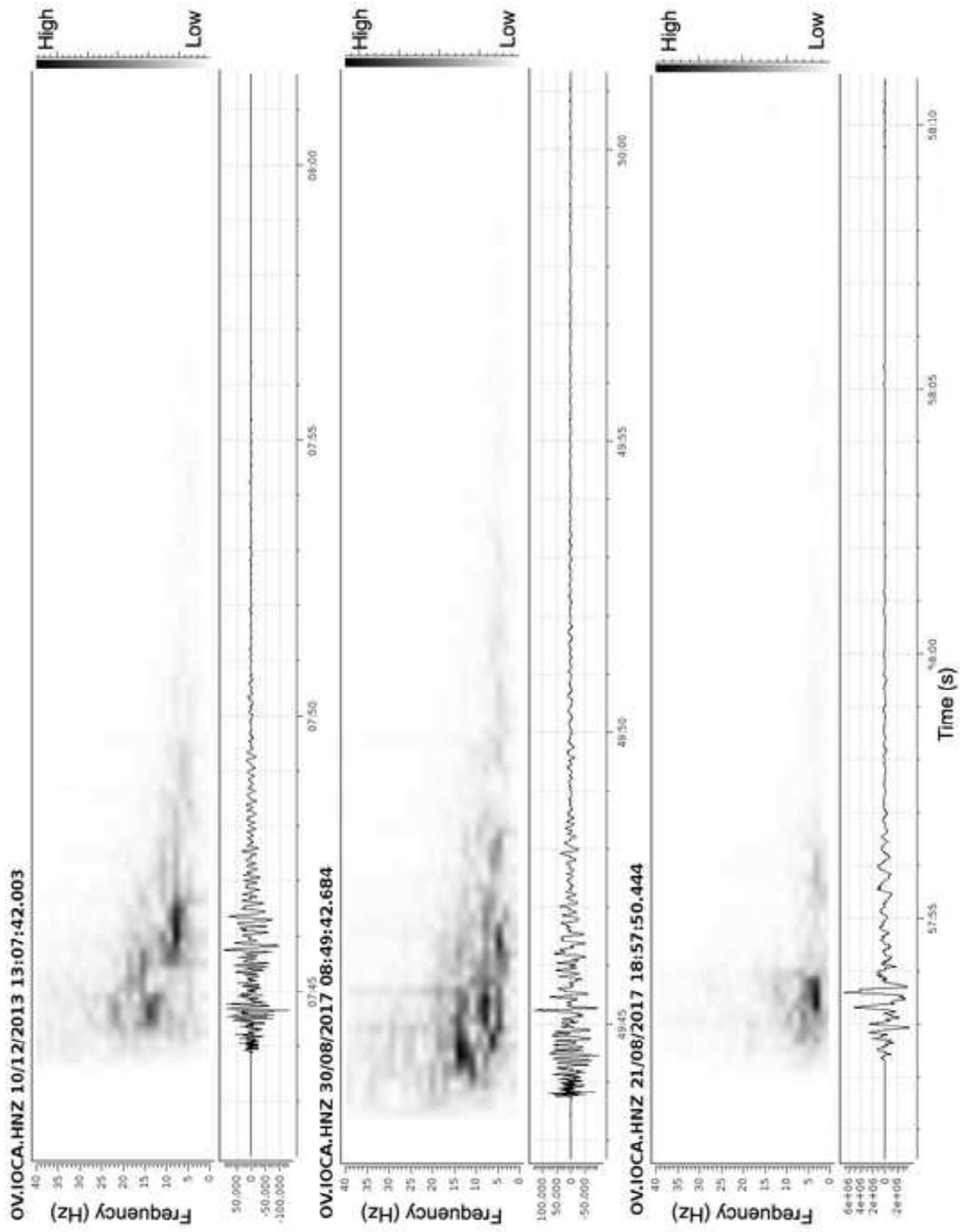
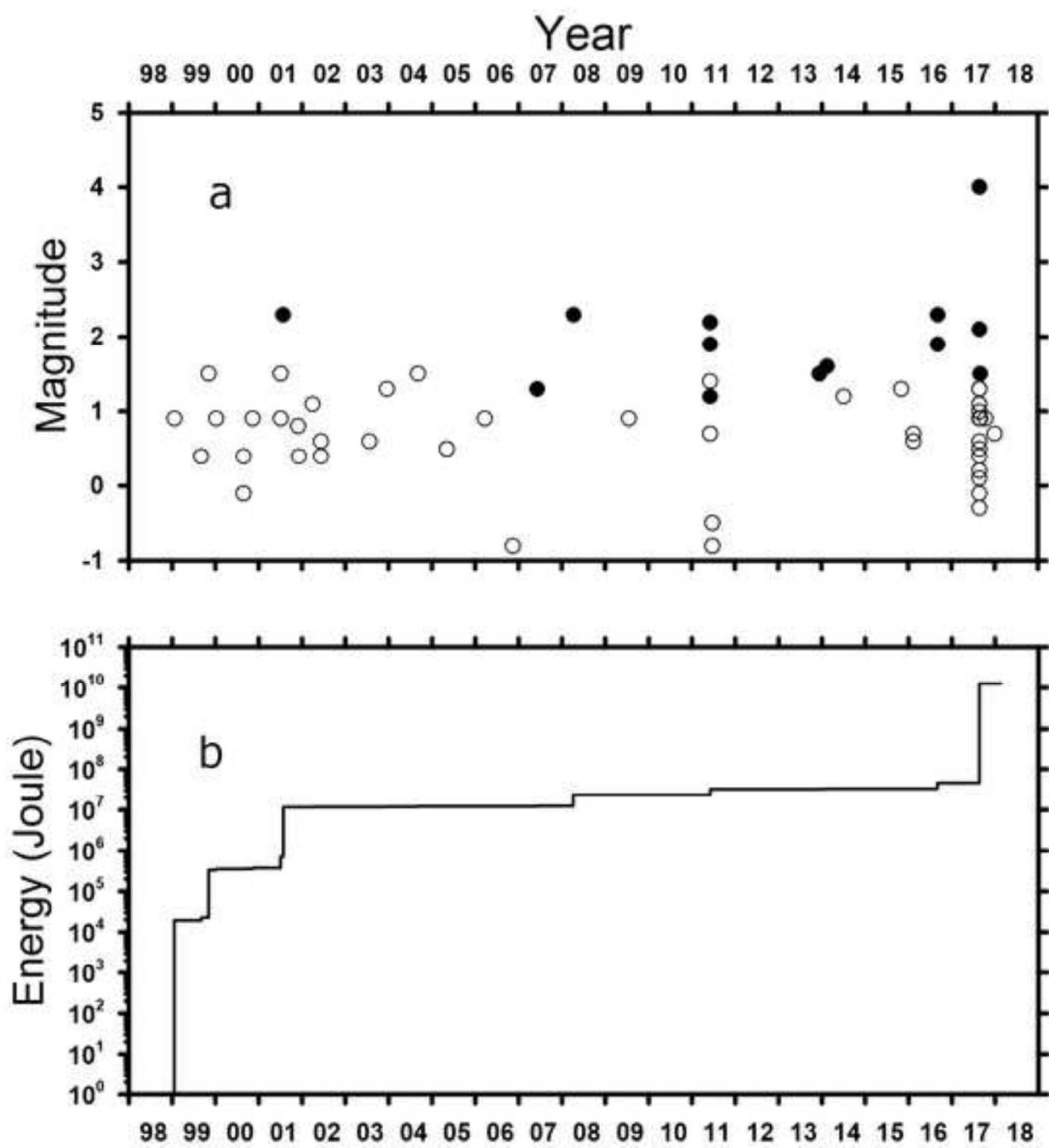


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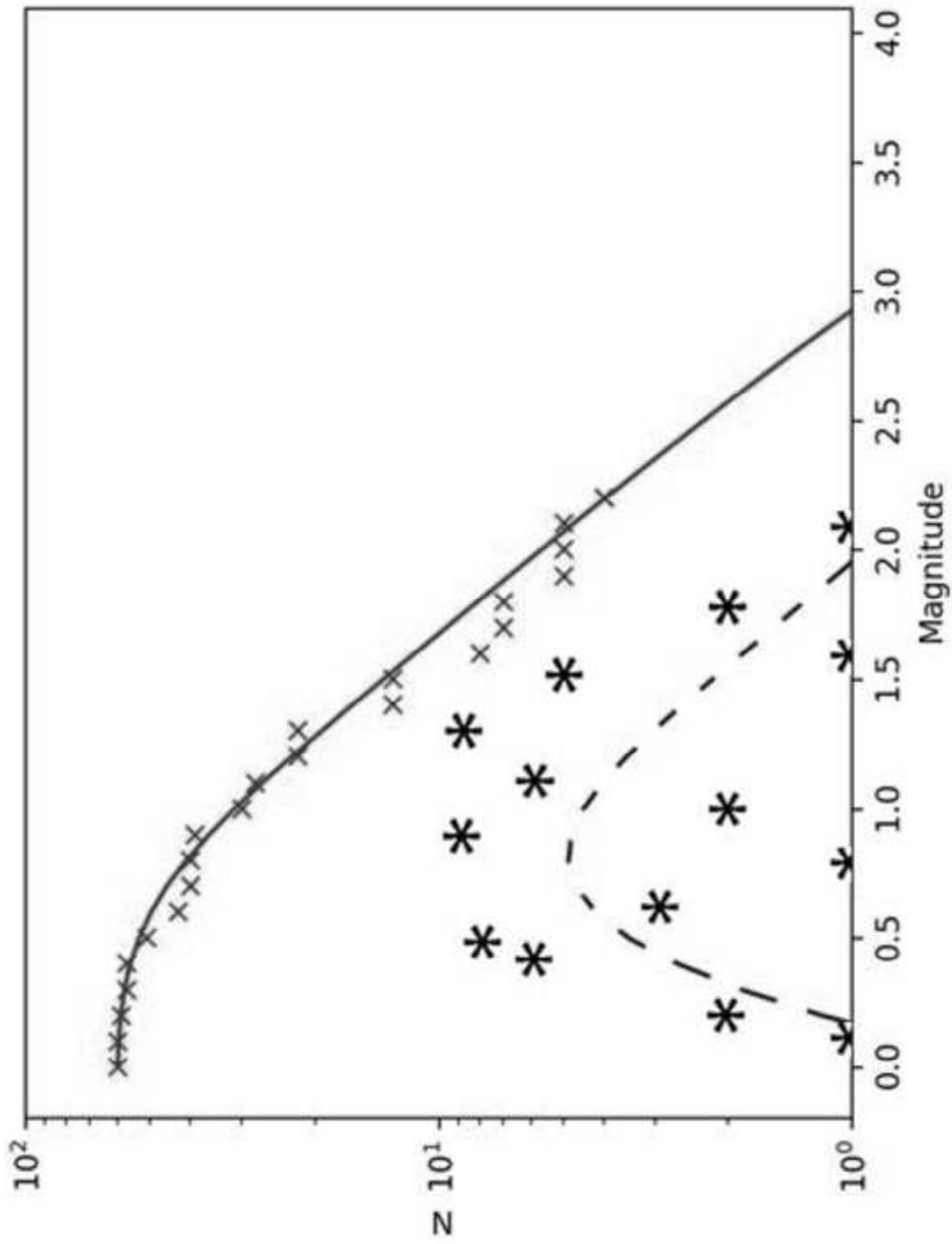
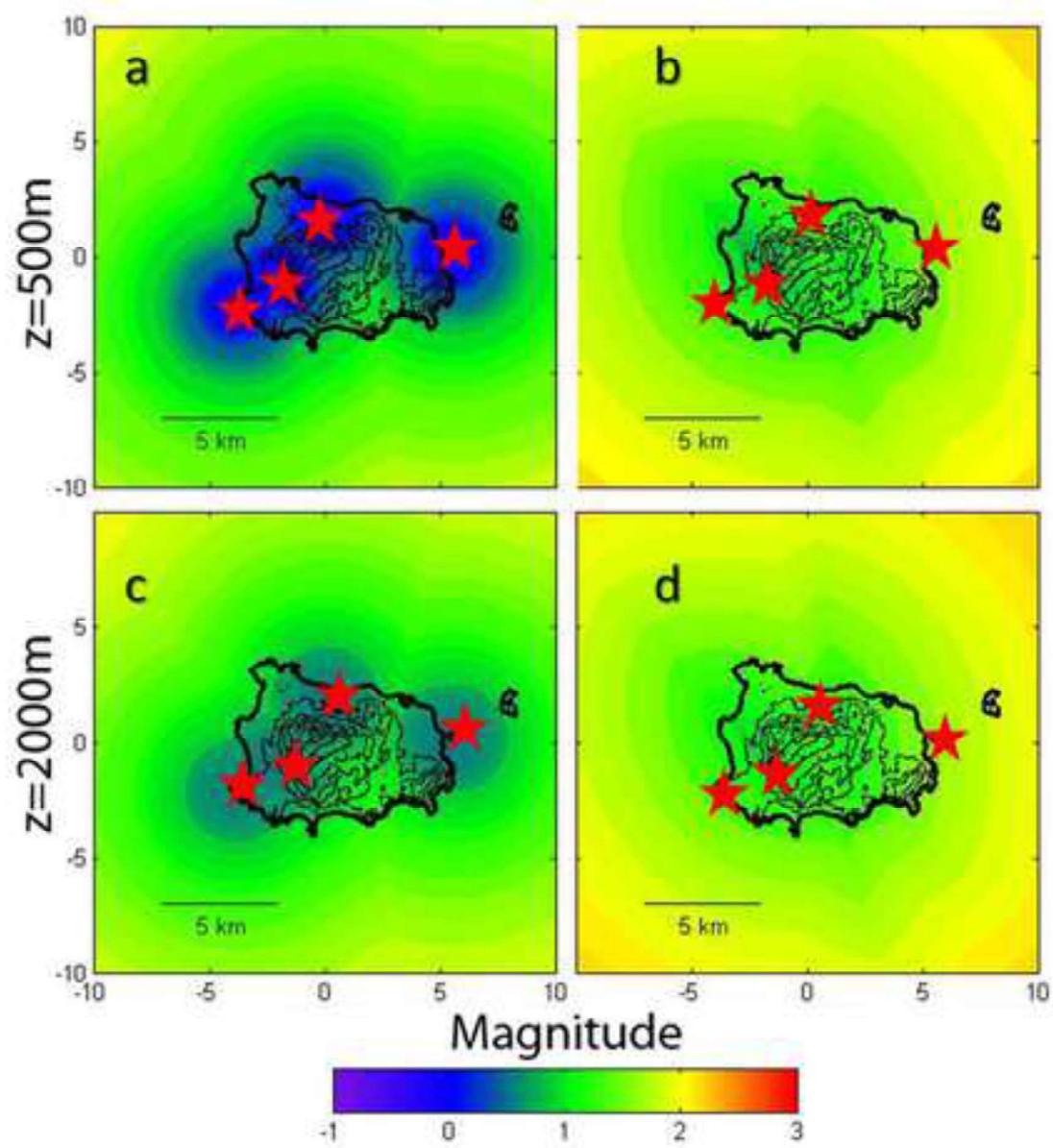
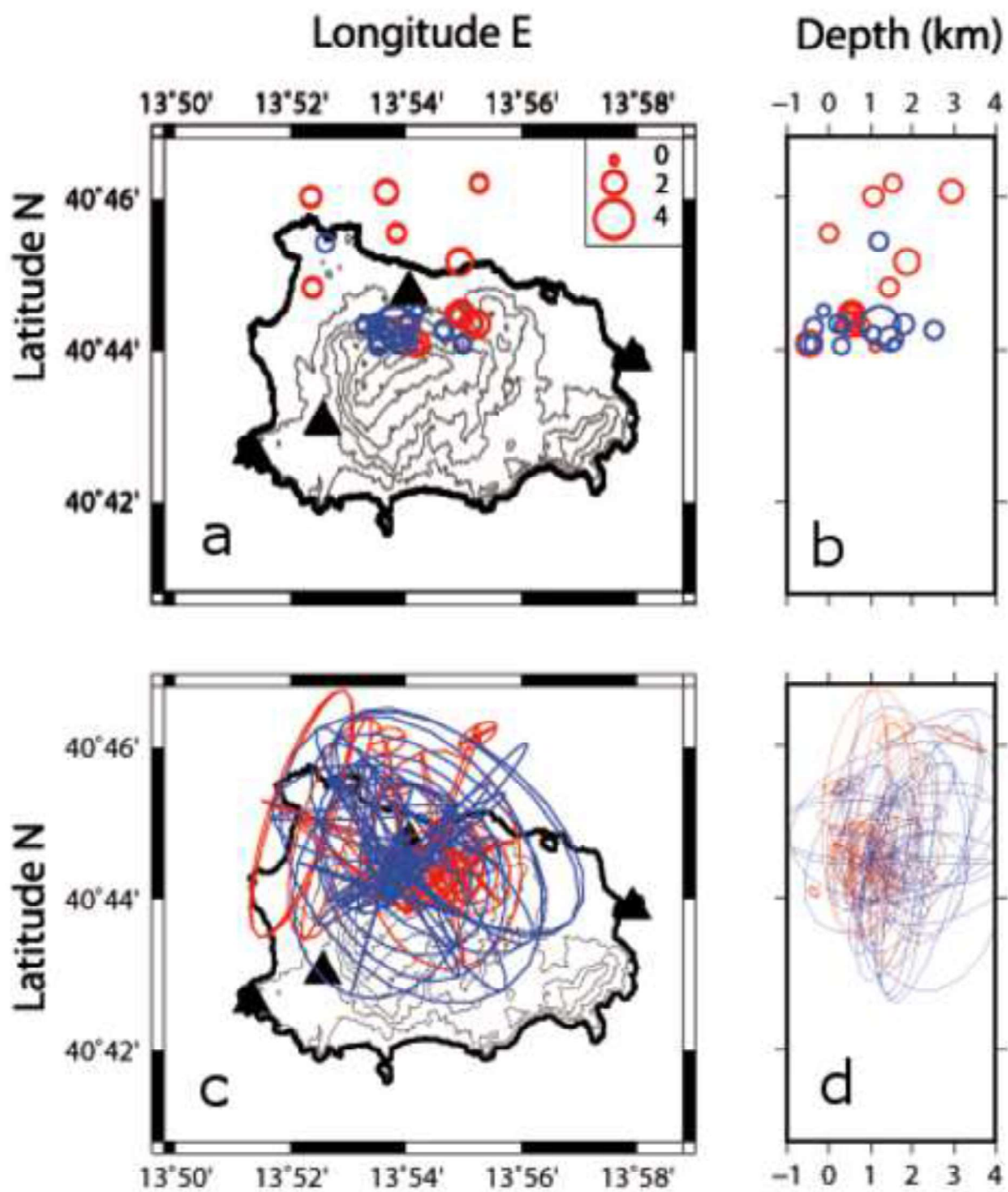
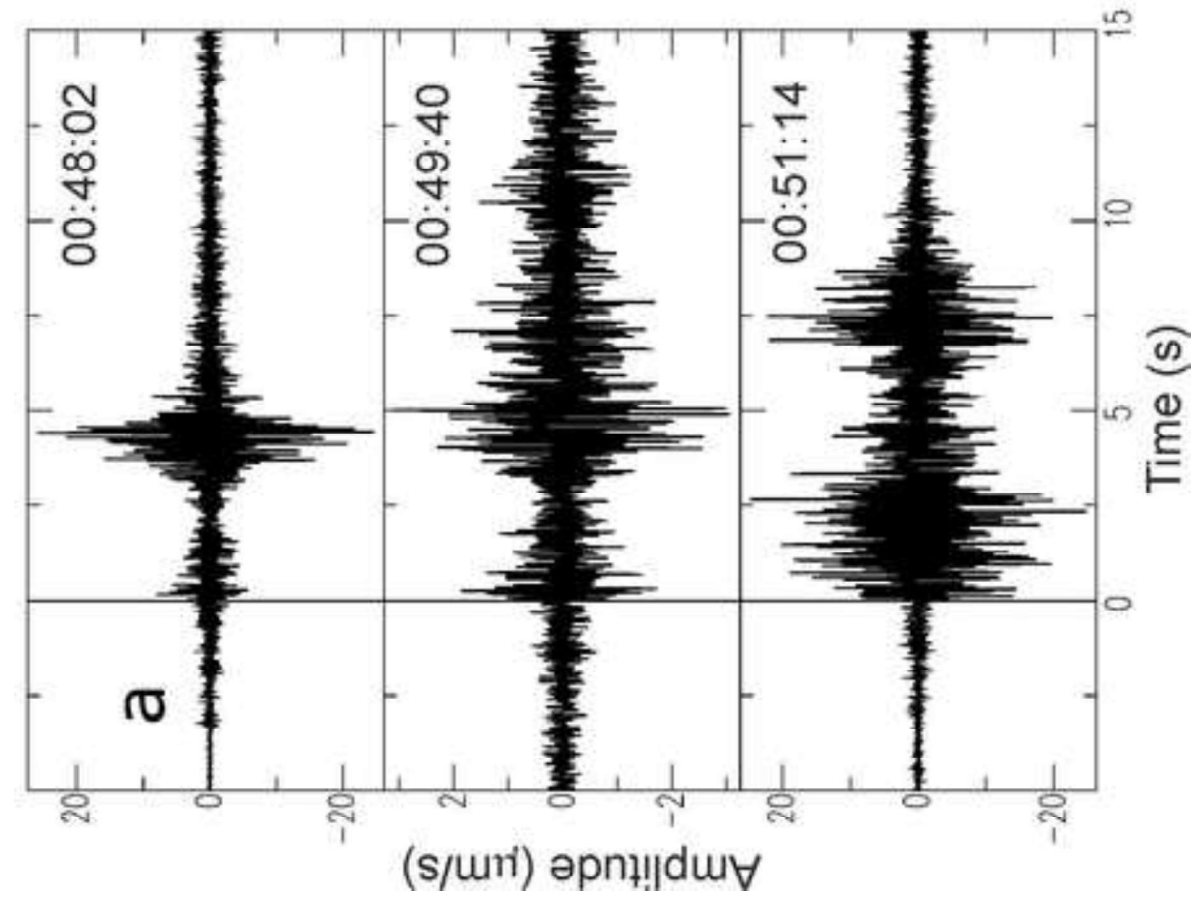
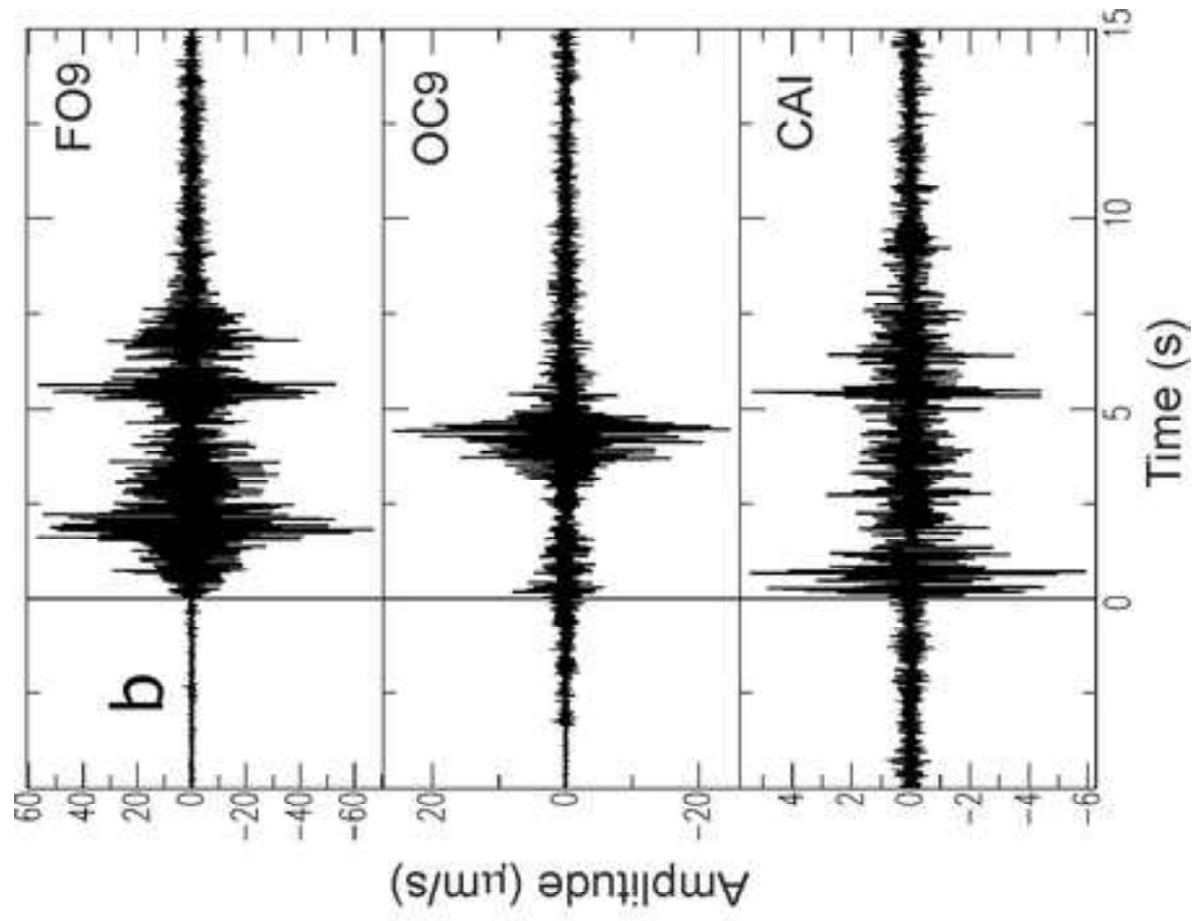


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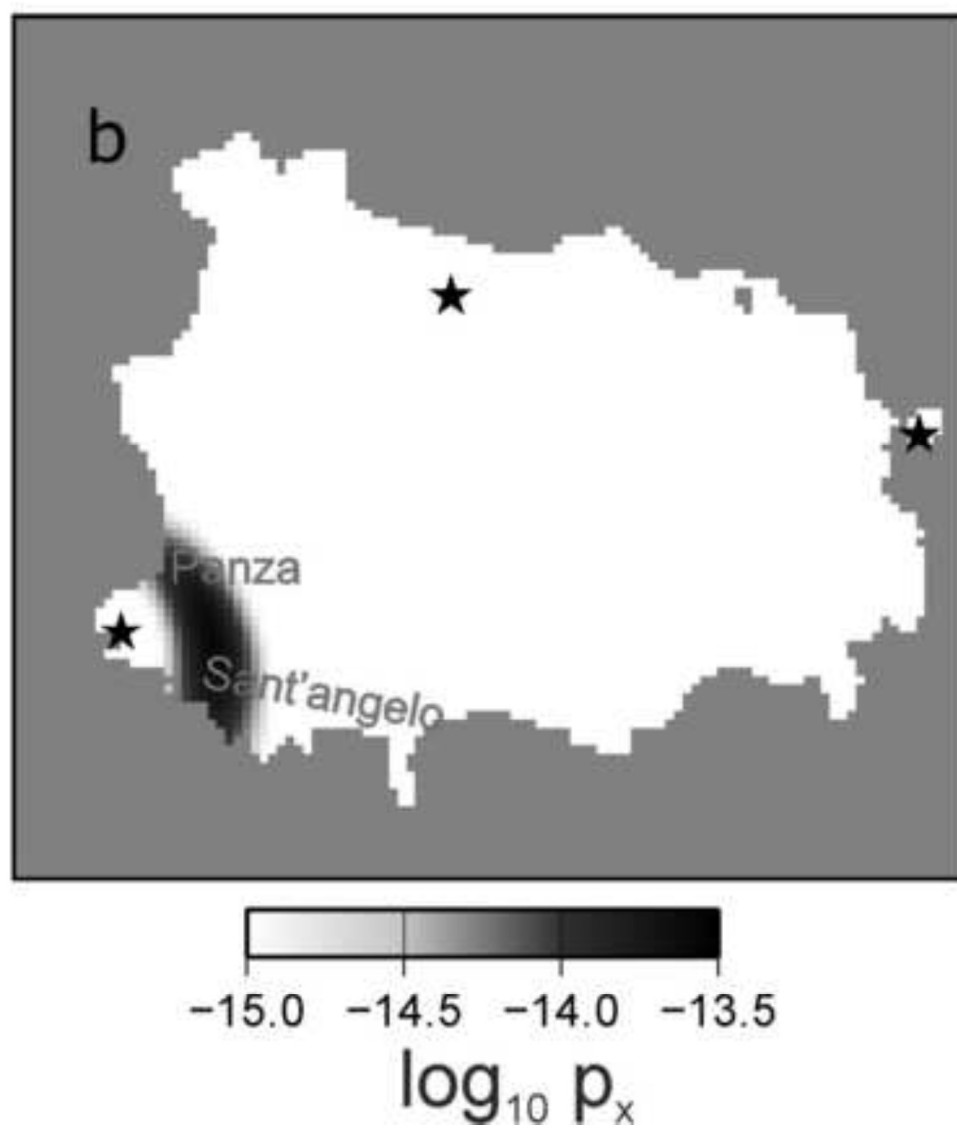
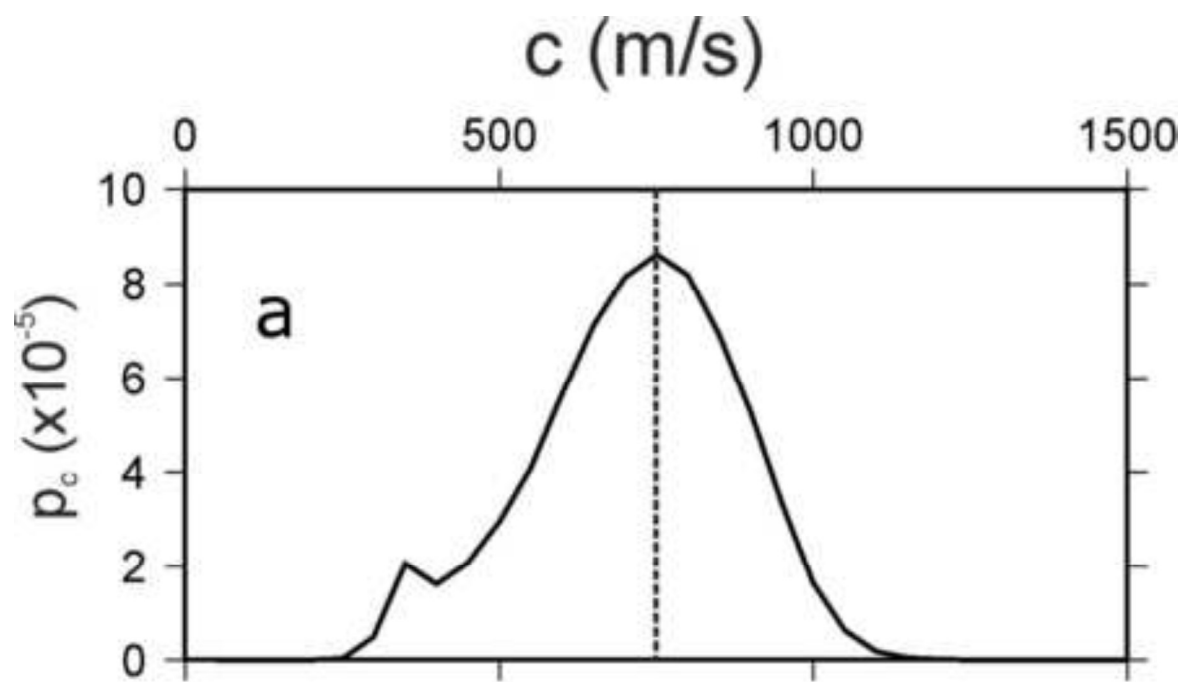


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10	2001-07-03	21:40:01	40.7669	13.8724	1.06	1.5	
11	2001-07-04	07:24:36	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.9	
12	2001-07-27	20:11:41	40.7411	13.9158	0.55	2.3	F
13	2001-11-29	21:03:01	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.8	
14	2001-12-06	09:23:08	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.4	
15	2002-03-31	01:20:33	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	1.1	
16	2002-06-07	08:22:46	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.6	
17	2002-06-07	13:47:51	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.4	
18	2003-07-21	15:35:54	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.6	
19	2003-12-14	17:51:28	40.7589	13.8971	0.01	1.3	
20	2004-09-03	01:49:44	40.7385	13.9001	0.74	1.5	
21	2005-03-25	12:49:18	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	
22	2005-05-04	15:27:27	40.7343	13.9034	1.13	0.5	
23	2005-05-04	15:28:02	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.5	
24	2006-03-19	21:21:04	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.9	
25	2006-11-14	04:41:03	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	-0.8	
26	2007-06-06	07:25:55	40.7410	13.9138	0.55	1.3	F
27	2008-04-05	11:16:01	40.7390	13.9203	0.52	2.3	F
28	2009-07-17	03:26:29	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.9	
29	2011-06-04	23:13:40	40.7470	13.8728	1.45	1.4	
30	2011-06-05	12:37:56	40.7410	13.9156	0.51	1.9	F
31	2011-06-05	14:10:03	40.7527	13.9154	1.88	2.2	F
32	2011-06-05	15:55:07	40.7390	13.9195	0.54	1.2	
33	2011-06-05	16:20:26	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.7	
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36	2011-06-22	01:51:36	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	-0.8	
37	2011-06-22	02:31:08	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	-0.5	
38	2011-06-22	02:33:45	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	-0.5	
39	2013-12-10	13:07:05	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	1.5	F
40	2014-02-09	11:56:27	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	
41	2014-02-09	11:56:32	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	1.6	F
42	2014-07-04	16:19:50	40.7698	13.9211	1.54	1.2	

43	2015-11-01	11:02:21	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	1.3	
44	2016-02-10	23:25:26	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.7	
45	2016-02-10	23:45:51	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.6	
46	2016-02-10	23:49:28	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.6	
47	2016-08-31	18:11:11	40.7680	13.8942	2.96	1.9	F
48	2016-08-31	18:11:29	40.7347	13.9027	-0.47	2.3	F
49	2017-08-21	18:57:51	40.7385	13.8967	1.24	4.0	F
50	2017-08-21	19:00:06	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.4	
51	2017-08-21	19:00:44	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	1.0	
52	2017-08-21	19:00:54	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.9	
53	2017-08-21	19:01:57	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.2	
54	2017-08-21	19:02:28	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	1.3	
55	2017-08-21	19:03:17	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	
56	2017-08-21	19:16:36	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	-0.3	
57	2017-08-21	19:18:07	40.7346	13.9162	-0.39	1.1	
58	2017-08-21	19:19:09	40.7346	13.9014	1.56	0.5	
59	2017-08-21	19:38:25	40.7346	13.8985	-0.51	1.3	
60	2017-08-21	19:38:39	40.7382	13.8944	-0.36	1.3	
61	2017-08-21	19:38:52	40.7375	13.9110	2.52	1.3	
62	2017-08-21	23:09:34	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.1	
63	2017-08-21	23:19:51	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.2	
64	2017-08-21	23:20:23	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	-0.1	
65	2017-08-22	00:00:17	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	1.1	
66	2017-08-22	05:15:10	40.7420	13.9032	-0.13	0.6	
67	2017-08-22	07:30:35	40.7341	13.8918	0.30	1.1	
68	2017-08-23	03:04:12	40.7349	13.8935	1.52	2.1	F
69	2017-08-23	04:17:38	40.7390	13.8914	0.23	1.3	
70	2017-08-23	20:30:54	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	1.0	
71	2017-08-30	08:49:42	40.7388	13.9008	1.80	1.5	F
72	2017-08-30	13:30:15	40.7385	13.8877	0.34	0.9	
73	2017-10-08	06:17:29	40.7368	13.9004	1.05	0.9	
74	2017-12-25	06:59:41	40.7571	13.8765	1.21	0.7	
75	2018-01-30	04:14:41	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.2	
76	2018-01-30	04:16:30	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.5	
77	2018-02-21	23:05:13	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	0.4	
78	2018-02-21	23:05:29	N.D.	N.D.	N.D.	-0.1	

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The seismic catalogue of Ischia island (January 1999 - February 2018).

Here we report the catalogue of the earthquakes recorded in Ischia between 1999 and February 2018. In order to easily share the catalogue, we have created a comma-separated values file (CSV) which allows to store tabular data in plain text. The CSV file contains a sequential number as the Id of each seismic event (column *a*); date and time (columns *b* and *c*); latitude, longitude and depth (columns *d*, *e* and *f*); magnitude of each earthquake (column *g*) and a "Notes" field (column *h*) in which the letter "F" indicates that the earthquake was felt by the people. Many hypocentral parameters are undetermined because most of the recorded earthquakes are small and have been recorded by the single station of Casamicciola Terme which is very close to the seismogenic area. The catalogue is described in greater detail in the body of the article, in which it is also inserted as Table 2.

Caption

Table S1. The seismic catalogue of Ischia in January 1999 - February 2018. A) event ID; B) event date; C) event time; D) hypocentre latitude; E) hypocentre longitude; F) hypocentre depth; G) duration magnitude; H) "Notes" dedicated to reporting if the earthquake was felt by the population (F = Felt).



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