



Erratum

On the cessation of seismicity at the base of the transition zone

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Due to an unfortunate technical error, the captions in Table 3 appeared incorrectly in issue 1. Overleaf we now present the complete Table as it should have appeared.

Table 3. Deepest events in Deep Wadati-Benioff Zones (1962–1995)

Date		Magnitude	Depth (km)							Remarks
D	M	Y	m_b	NEIC	ISS/ISC (Inverted)	ISS/ISC pP	CMT (†)	This Study	Monte Carlo	EHB (†)
Java [10° S–3° S; 105° E–115° E]										
09	08	1983	5.2	655	658 ± 3		656 D			646
04	10	1994	5.0	652	648 ± 13					
15	12	1963	6.4	650	654		661 H			
08	06	1977	5.1	643	637 ± 4	634				639
18	10	1986	5.7	643	655 ± 6	648	645 D			646
28	09	1994	5.9	637	660 ± 6	635	653 D			
Conclusion: Seismicity stops around 660 km										
East Sunda including Banda Sea [10° S–3° S; 115° E–130° E]										
06	02	1963		665				609	512–673	
14	06	1966	5.4	660	617					635
26	10	1992	4.7	657	650 ± 10					
01	08	1984	5.1	657	657 ± 3		656 D			639
16	02	1967	4.7	652	663 ± 11			663	637–700	641
21	11	1987	5.1	651	651		609 D			634
30	05	1995	5.3	630	650 ± 5		670 D			
11	05	1955		700				684	627–753	Deepest CMT solution (6.6×10^{23}) Rees and Okal (1987): 691 km
Conclusion: Seismicity stops around 660 km										
Solomon Islands [8° S–3° S; 150° E–160° E]										
22	04	1991	4.8	626	624 ± 24			627	580–656	Only event below 620 km
15	12	1976	4.9	608	608 ± 3					603
23	06	1982	4.4	599	597 ± 3					590
12	07	1995	4.8	595						
03	10	1993	4.5	590	584 ± 7					
10	08	1994	4.8	590	590 ± 7					
Conclusion: Seismicity stops around 605 km										
Sangihe–South Philippines [2° N–10° N; 120°–128° E]										
25	04	1969	4.8	660	664 ± 4			662	646–676	651 Deepest NEIC-reported
19	08	1988	4.6	658	660 ± 23			633	601–658	
25	01	1993	4.6	656	657 ± 13			661	640–678	
05	03	1984	6.5	649	656 ± 2	665	644 D			658 Deepest large event
Conclusion: Seismicity stops around 660 km										
Mariana Islands [10° N–20° N; 140° E–150° E]										
07	03	1962	7.0	685	689		661 H	672	654–688	Stark and Frohlich: 655–680 km
12	11	1993	4.6	656	659 ± 5					
12	10	1963	4.0	638				578	539–608	
19	11	1978	4.3	621	629 ± 9			617	585–643	
23	02	1968	4.8	620	625 ± 4					626
Conclusion: Seismicity stops around 660 km										

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D	M Y		NEIC	ISS/ISC (Inverted)	ISS/ISC pP	CMT (†)	This Study	Monte Carlo	EHB (†)	
Kuriles–Kamchatka [42° N–55° N; 140° E–160° E]										
14	08	1988	5.4	645	632 ± 5	645	649 D			651
30	08	1970	6.6	645	643 ± 3	648	650 H			640
02	04	1986	4.4	630	618 ± 16			612	593–644	602
22	08	1966	5.1	630	626 ± 2	637				639
27	11	1982	5.6	622	619 ± 2	638	628 D			641
Conclusion: Seismicity stops around 650 km										
Argentina [30° S–13° S; 66° W–55° W]										
01	01	1968	3.9	641	599 ± 12			609	576–632	
26	04	1984	5.3	623	623 ± 3					614
03	12	1972	4.5	621	628 ± 8			623	595–645	
08	12	1962	6.5	620	582		589 H			600
Conclusion: Seismicity stops around 620 km										
Bolivia [15° S–12° S; 71° W–66° W]										
09	06	1994	01:15	6.1	650					
23	06	1994		4.4	642	655 ± 8	640			
10	01	1969		4.0	636	661 ± 5		664	645–686	
09	06	1994	00:33	7.0	631	640 ± 4	713	647 D		
09	06	1994	05:26	5.2	630	664 ± 5				
10	06	1994		4.3	629	636 ± 8				
88 aftershocks located by Myers et al. (1995) from 622 to 660 km, plus one at 665 km										
Conclusion: Seismicity stops around 660 km										
Peru–Brazil [12° S–7° S; 73° W–70° W]										
23	04	1987		3.7	674	672 ± 27		665	613–696	
28	11	1964		5.6	655	650 ± 5	638	627 H		642
11	07	1978		5.8	645	643 ± 3	636	628 D		634
28	11	1964		5.4	626	651 ± 4	637			641
09	07	1950		7.0	650	667		649 H		Significant historical event
Conclusion: Seismicity stops around 650 km										
Tonga [35° S–15° S; 175° E–175° W]										
07	05	1971			848 ± 0.2			624	577–657	All-time deepest ISC solution
25	10	1972			806 ± 0.8			433	400–463	Second-deepest ISC solution
31	10	1977		734	734			738	44–800	Deepest NEIC- reported; no depth control
08	11	1989			707		See Table 1			
22	10	1985	19:29		707		See Table 1			
10	01	1985			701		See Table 1			
22	10	1985	19:14	5.5	700		See Table 1			
12	01	1969		4.2	697	697 ± 17		689	544–773	
19	05	1992		4.5	696		See Table 1			
07	12	1978			695	625 ± 6		626	607–641	

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Date		Magnitude	Depth (km)							Remarks
D M Y	[hh:mm]	m_b	NEIC	ISS/ISC (Inverted)	ISS/ISC pP	CMT (\dagger)	This Study	Monte Carlo	EHB (\dagger)	
Tonga (continued)										
11 12 1978		4.8	695	608 \pm 9			608	581–631		
25 09 1971		4.6	695	694 \pm 7			694	671–715	687	Deepest event in Engdahl et al.
29 12 1992		4.4	695	See Table 1						
12 04 1984		4.6	694	See Table 1						
09 05 1989		4.5	692	See Table 1						
17 01 1975		4.6	692	602 \pm 7			603	585–627	586	
17 06 1977		5.7	690	673 \pm 6	684				679	
10 10 1984		5.6	676	676 \pm 3	679	691 D			670	
22 10 1985	19:13	5.0	686	690 \pm 9	690	684 D			676	
Conclusion: Seismicity reaches 690 km										
Northern Peru–Colombia [5° S–1° S; 75° W–70° W]										
18 12 1921		7.9 GR	650	540			630			(Okal and Bina, 1994)
17 01 1922		7.6 GR	650	0		664 H	660			(Okal and Bina, 1994)
31 07 1970		7.1	651	653 \pm 3	645	623 R				
Conclusion: Seismicity stops around 660 km										
Spain [35° N–40° N; 5° W–0° W]										
29 03 1954		7.0	640	603			627	616–637		Rupture propagated 20 km downwards (Chung and Kanamori, 1976)
30 01 1973		4.0	634	636 \pm 3			633	623–644		
31 07 1993		3.9	626	631 \pm 21						
08 03 1990		4.1	625	624 \pm 4						
Conclusion: Seismicity stops around 650 km										
Vityaz Cluster [16° S–11° S; 167° E–177° E]										
28 08 1961		6 $\frac{1}{2}$	640				664	641–696		
24 04 1966		4.4	660	663 \pm 6					656	
20 05 1976		4.3	661	661 \pm 4			662	642–681		
17 03 1977	09:17	4.9	657	663 \pm 7			661	643–676	642	
17 03 1977	09:18	4.8	652	664 \pm 8			660	644–674	648	
17 03 1977	12:42	5.0	649	662 \pm 5					645	
12 08 1979		4.2	650	673 \pm 10			674	642–705	653	
14 12 1979		4.6	683	664 \pm 5					649	
23 01 1981		4.4	654	660 \pm 5					641	
03 11 1981		4.8	654	660 \pm 5					647	
09 07 1984		4.7	669	670 \pm 5			670	649–685	651	
08 09 1984		4.1	681				681	570–727		
13 11 1984		4.0	676	672 \pm 10			670	604–719		
01 12 1984	14:13	4.8	677	679			677	659–702	654	
01 12 1981	14:18	5.1	673	675			672	653–689	651	
23 01 1985		4.6	663	662 \pm 14			661	583–717		
24 01 1986		5.2	663	660 \pm 7					641	

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Vityaz Cluster (continued)												
07	09	1986		4.9	665	664 ± 7		671 D				652
08	09	1986		4.8	641	664 ± 7						650
06	08	1987	09:52	4.9	659	660 ± 9						644
06	08	1987	11:39	4.8	654	683			664	466–753		
11	12	1988		4.2	613	666 ± 45			666	564–740		
24	01	1990		4.6	680	609 ± 49			683	633–776		666
Conclusion: Seismicity stops around 672 km												
Other event												
16	12	1977		(Japan Sea)	637	380			540	325–800		No depth resolution NEIC probably erroneous

† D: Harvard CMT (Dziewonski et al., 1983 and subsequent quarterly updates); H: Huang et al. (1997); R: Russakoff et al. (1997). EHB: Engdahl et al. (1997).

