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The chairs thank all of the authors for submitting their final manuscripts to Remote Sensing of the Ocean, Coastal Waters, Sea Ice, and Large Water Regions. The conference was held in Edinburgh, Scotland. Many of the new authors, including students, made an extra effort to submit their current research papers for consideration to be included in the published proceedings. The reviewed and accepted papers for publication in this book represent contributions that will be useful to help improve our knowledge and scientific understanding of remote sensing, physical oceanography, and ocean sciences. In many cases, the accepted papers represent significant efforts of our colleagues in order to share their understanding and experience. Several excellent papers deal with bathymetry and cross calibration of satellite sensing systems for applied ocean science applications.

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