

# **GEOLOGICAL, STRATIGRAPHICAL MODELLING OF MAKHRAN OFFSHORE**



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# ABSTRACT

The Makran accretionary prism developed in the north-western part of the Indian Ocean as a consequence of the subduction of the Arabian Sea since Late Cretaceous times. We surveyed most of the accretionary complex of Pakistan with R/V Marion Dufresne. The Makran accretionary prism results from the northward motion of the oceanic crust (White and Klitgord, 1976; White, 1983; Minshull et al., 1992), with an average speed of 3 cm/year at present. Large historic earthquakes, such as the magnitude 8.2 recorded in November 1945 (Pacheco and Sykes, 1992; Byrne et al., 1992), are clearly related to the shallow dipping inter-plate mega-thrust. The coseismic motion might be related to the episodic uplift of small mud volcanoes rising up above the sea-level, confirming an overpressure regime imposed at depth.

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