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REPORT  
OF  
SCIENTIFIC DISCUSSION MEETING ON THE PHYSICAL OCEANOGRAPHY OF  
THE GREAT BARRIER REEF REGION

Held at the University of New South Wales

5-6 July 1982

with support from the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority  
and the Australian Academy of Science

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SUMMARY

A scientific discussion meeting was held in July 1982 to generate a statement concerning the physical oceanography of the Great Barrier Reef region. The statement was to be framed by answering the questions below:

- (a) What is the present state of knowledge?
- (b) What appear to be the most important unanswered questions?
- (c) With regard to (a) and (b), what methods would be most effective in answering the questions posed in (b)?
- (d) What routine monitoring measurements would appear to be of most scientific value in increasing our knowledge of the region?

This report summarises the discussions of the meeting.

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