

1 **Seismic swarm preceding the 2017 Mount Agung eruption in Bali**  
2 **(Indonesia) enhanced by the matched filter approach**

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12 **Key Points:**

- 13 • Reappraisal of the seismic swarm preceding the 2017 Mount Agung eruption by  
14 waveform-based relocation and matched filter technique.
- 15 • We detect fourteen times more events (5,803 earthquakes) than the routine earthquake  
16 catalog (407 earthquakes).
- 17 • We show the updated spatiotemporal evolution of the swarm seismicity before the  
18 eruption.

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21 **Abstract**

22 Intense swarm seismicity took place before the 2017 Mount Agung eruption in Bali  
23 (Indonesia). However, the earthquake sequences were not well documented. In addition, there  
24 was a substantial delay between the peak of the seismic activity (late September) and the  
25 onset of the impending eruption (late November). We applied waveform-based hypocenter  
26 relocation and matched filter technique (MFT) to enhance the earthquake catalog of the  
27 swarm associated with the eruption. We detect fourteen times more events (5,803) than the  
28 routine catalog (407) from 1 August 2017 to 1 December 2017. The intense swarm initiated  
29 on 20 September 2017 at ~09:00 UTC, and the peak of the swarm occurred during 22-24  
30 September with 1,473 events. The updated spatiotemporal evolution of the swarm seismicity  
31 shed light on the processes involved in a volcano reawaking and highlighted the use of MFT  
32 in volcano monitoring with existing regional seismic networks.

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34 **Plain Language Summary**

35 The sequence of earthquake swarms before the Mount Agung eruption in 2017 was not well  
36 investigated due to the lack of local seismic observations close to the summit. We overcome  
37 this limitation by applying advanced seismic relocation and detection using an existing  
38 regional seismic network routinely used for 'tectonic' earthquake monitoring in Indonesia.  
39 The detection approach benefits from waveform cross-correlations between the digital-  
40 continuous seismograms and template seismograms. We detect and locate fourteen times  
41 more earthquakes than that of had been cataloged by regular earthquake monitoring in Bali,  
42 Indonesia. The more robust and improved swarm catalog provides information about  
43 processes during the volcanic unrest of Mount Agung before the impending eruptions.

44 **Index Terms:**

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52 **1. Introduction**

53 Mount Agung is a ~3000-m high stratovolcano that dominates the northeastern zone  
54 of Bali Island in Indonesia (Figure 1). After having been inactive since 1963-64, Mount  
55 Agung erupted for the first time in late November 2017. Previous studies indicated a  
56 frequency of one explosive eruption ( $VEI \geq 2-3$ ) per century (on average) for Mount Agung,  
57 and in its ~5000-year record, marked by periods of background-eruptive rates identical to  
58 general subduction zone volcanoes then changed to durations of increased eruptive rates  
59 (Fontijn *et al.*, 2015). This dynamic has been attributed to increased magma supply rates from  
60 a depth suggesting various open-system processes of magmatic differentiation. Its magmas  
61 formed by repeated intrusions of basaltic magmas into basaltic andesitic to andesitic  
62 reservoirs (Fontijn *et al.*, 2015). It is noteworthy that the 1963-64 Mount Agung eruption  
63 yielded serious fatalities with almost 1,500 people killed by its pyroclastic flows and fast-  
64 flowing volcanic mudflows (lahars).

65           The timeline during the 2017 volcanic crisis of Mount Agung has been described in  
66 previous studies (e.g., Albino *et al.*, 2019; Syahbana *et al.*, 2019). The first phreatomagmatic  
67 eruption occurred on 21 November, and the onset of the magmatic eruption occurred on 25  
68 November (Syahbana *et al.*, 2019). These eruptions were preceded by a series of energetic  
69 seismic swarms (Figure 1). However, these earthquakes were not well cataloged. It remains  
70 unclear about the source origin of this swarm and its spatiotemporal evolution as well as its  
71 association with the eruption. The lack of information about this swarm is due to the lack of  
72 capability in detecting small earthquakes by the routine methodology applied in regular  
73 monitoring. Moreover, the 2017 seismic swarm occurred without immediate eruption; the  
74 eruption began about several weeks after the seismicity had already decreased. Robust  
75 information about precursory seismic swarm during a volcanic crisis is important for proper  
76 response and eruption forecasting.

77           In this study, we perform a matched filter technique (MFT; or template matching) to  
78 identify small, uncatalogued earthquakes based on their similarity to target events (i.e.,  
79 templates). Zhang and Wen (2015) and Kato *et al.* (2015) also utilized a similar technique to  
80 swarm seismicity preceding eruptions of Mount Ontake in Japan. We provide a more  
81 complete and improved catalog of the swarm seismicity and then summarize the 2017 unrest  
82 at Mount Agung by showing the swarm's updated spatiotemporal evolution based on the  
83 MFT catalog. We highlight the application of MFT in monitoring volcanic swarm using the  
84 existing regional broadband seismic network.

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## 86 **2. Data and Methods**

87           Based on the national catalog of Badan Meteorologi, Klimatologi, dan Geofisika  
88 (BMKG), the seismicity near Mount Agung from September to November 2017 located



89 mostly NW of Mount Agung (Figure S1, S2). Some 407 events had been identified by  
90 BMKG with magnitudes ranging from 2.2 to 4.9 and depths between 5 and 20 km (Figure 1a,  
91 b). The magnitude of completeness ( $M_c$ ) of this catalog is 2.7 (local magnitude, Figure S3).  
92 The seismicity contains many smaller earthquakes than larger events, yielding a relatively  
93 large b-value of frequency-magnitude distribution (FMD), i.e.,  $b= 1.3$  (Figure 1d, S3).

94 All of the earthquakes considered here are the type of volcano-tectonic (VT)  
95 earthquakes shown by their high-frequency contents (Figure S4-S7), clear P- and S-wave  
96 arrivals on their seismograms (Figure 2), and locations adjacent to the volcanoes (Chouet and  
97 Matoza, 2013; Roman and Cashman, 2006; McNutt, 2005; Lahr *et al.*, 1994). However, we  
98 observe obvious S-wave shadow at station SRBI and DNP (Figure 2, S8), and we will discuss  
99 this topic in the discussion section. We pick P- and S-wave arrival times for the 407 events  
100 and enhance the quality of locations by applying double-difference relocation improved with  
101 waveform cross-correlation data (Waldhauser and Ellsworth, 2000, see Text S1, Figure 3).

102 In this study, we use all of these 407 events as template candidates for MFT. MFT  
103 employs many template waveforms and identifies small events through multi-station  
104 waveform cross-correlation (Meng *et al.*, 2018). The MFT has also been applied in other  
105 volcanic areas, such as at Piton De La Fournaise volcano (Duputel *et al.*, 2019).

106 We collected the waveform data for all of these earthquakes and used them as  
107 templates candidates in scanning through the continuous waveforms for earthquakes  
108 associated with the 2017 eruption. We selected data from six regional broadband three-  
109 component stations (i.e., 18 channels) with a distance less than 170 km from the summit and  
110 with good azimuthal coverage to investigate the swarm associated with the eruption (Figure  
111 1, 4).

112           The MFT procedure here generally follows that of Meng *et al.* (2013; 2018). We use  
113 continuous waveforms containing each 24-hours seismogram for a period of 1 August to 1  
114 December 2017 (i.e., 123 days). We use SH\* channels data with a sampling rate of 40 Hz. A  
115 two-way pass, fourth-order, Butterworth band-pass filter with a corner frequency of 1 and 15  
116 Hz was applied to both continuous and template waveforms. Among 407 template candidates,  
117 we select quality seismograms of 257 templates that have been satisfactorily relocated and  
118 having signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) >5 recorded by at least eight channels ( $\geq 3$  stations).

119           The template waveform comprises signals within a time window of 8 s starting from  
120 0.5 s before the picked P-wave arrival time for the vertical component and 0.5 s before the  
121 picked S-wave arrival time for the two horizontal components. We compute the correlation-  
122 coefficient (CC) between the template and continuous waveform by using a correlating time  
123 step of 0.025 s; i.e., the computing window moves forward by one data point.

124           We compute the mean CC among all components at each time point, allowing one  
125 data point shift (Meng *et al.*, 2013). A perfect self-detection should have a mean CC of 1, i.e.,  
126 the template waveforms should perfectly detect itself in the continuous waveforms. To ensure  
127 the quality of detection, we use a high threshold (Meng *et al.*, 2013). The newly positive  
128 detection threshold is the sum of the median value and 15 times the median absolute  
129 deviation (MAD) of the mean CC trace. Using a lower threshold (e.g., 6-14 x MAD as  
130 applied in some references) would result in false detections.

131           The detected event location is assigned to be the same as that of the corresponding  
132 template with the highest mean CC within 2 s, assuming that the template and new detected  
133 event are collocated based on their high correlation. The detected event magnitude is  
134 computed based on the peak amplitude ratios between the detected and template event (Meng  
135 *et al.*, 2013). An example of MFT detection is provided in Figure 4 and S9.

136 **3. Results**

137           Waveform-based hypocenter relocation indicates most of the events located between  
138 Mount Agung and Batur Caldera, but closer to Mount Abang (Figure 2). There is also one  
139 obvious separated cluster in the NE of Mount Agung (Figure 3). The relocation indicates all  
140 events took place at depths 6.8 to 13.1 km (mostly at 9 to 13 km) or in the mid-crust (Figure  
141 3, S12). It is noteworthy that Geiger *et al.* (2018) proposed two major magma storage regions  
142 of Mount Agung located at 18 to 22 km depth (near the Moho discontinuity) and 3 to 7 km  
143 depth. In other words, the seismicity located midway between the deeper and shallower  
144 magma storage zone.

145           Using a relatively high threshold, we detect 5,803 events, including 257 perfect self  
146 detections with mean CC= 1 (Figure 5). This number is equivalent to about fourteen times the  
147 number of events reported by BMKG. Completeness of the MFT catalog is 2.4 (local  
148 magnitude), lower than 2.7 of the BMKG catalog (Figure S3). The magnitudes range from  
149 1.5 to 4.9, and 20 events have magnitude >3.5 (Figure 5d); one of them is newly detected,  
150 i.e., the 2017-10-18 00:24 UTC with magnitude 3.6. As expected, because MFT detects small  
151 magnitudes, the b-value for the entire seismicity increases became  $b= 1.6$ .

152           Some new detections have a large correlation with the detecting templates; for  
153 example, a magnitude 3.1 (Figure S9, Table S2) is newly detected with mean CC of 0.946 on  
154 21 September 09:07:17 UTC by template 20170921104359 ( $M=3.3$ ; 12 channels with SNR >  
155 5). Another example is a magnitude 3.1 on 13 October 15:32 UTC detected with mean CC of  
156 0.857 by a magnitude 3.6 template (Figure 4).

157           We detect only two small events that occurred in the first 50 days (from 1 August to  
158 19 September) with magnitude 2.7 and 2.6 (15 August), respectively (Figure S10, S11).  
159 Intense seismicity initiated on 20 September at 09:00 UTC with a small event at depth ~9.7

160 km and located closer to Mount Agung (Figure 5). We detect 85 events during the day of 20  
161 September as compared to only two events in the BMKG catalog. The seismicity rapidly  
162 accelerated, and more than 300 events per day were detected during 21-26 September, while  
163 the peak of the swarm occurred from 22 to 24 September (UTC) with 1,473 detected events  
164 (indicated by the first green line on Figure 5a).

165 The seismicity during 20-22 September mostly occurred at ~9 to 11 km depths,  
166 however, during the early peak period with the rapid acceleration of seismicity (started on 22  
167 September), the earthquakes were located at deeper locations up to ~13 km in the mid-crust  
168 (Figure 5b). The rate of seismicity also slightly increase on 26 and 27 September due to the  
169 existence of two  $M > 4$  events (black stars in Figure 5a). We observe three obvious peaks in  
170 the number of earthquakes on 23 September, 6 October, and 18 October 2017 (Figure 5a).  
171 The increase of seismicity in mid-October 2017 was also accompanied by some deeper  
172 events. Seismicity decreased on 20-21 October ( $< 20$  events per day, marked by the second  
173 green line on Figure 5a).

174 The total duration of the intensive swarm (e.g., with  $> 6$  detected events per day) was  
175 39 days, i.e., 20 September to 28 October. After about ten days of quiescence (e.g.,  $\leq$  six  
176 events per day), the seismicity rate increased slightly on 8 November due to an  $M_{4.9}$   
177 earthquake (marked by the third green line on Figure 5a) and its early aftershocks. However,  
178 these earthquakes appeared in a different location, NE of Mount Agung.

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#### 180 **4. Discussions and Conclusion**

181 In this study, we perform hypocenter relocation and MFT to enhance the detection of  
182 lower magnitude VT events before the 2017 Mount Agung eruption. We decreased the

183 completeness of the swarm catalog from 2.7 to 2.4, and the FMD is better fitted as  
184 cumulative normal distribution than that of the BMKG catalog (Figure S3). Mount Agung has  
185 swarm seismicity with the maximum peak in the opening of the sequence. Seismicity  
186 continued to accelerate rapidly toward its peak in just one day after the detectable initiation.

187 Hypocenters of the swarm can also be divided into two groups. The first group is the  
188 denser seismicity beneath Mount Agung and Batur Caldera (Figure 3d). Most of the refined  
189 seismicity during the peak of the swarm located in this group and persistently took place at  
190 ~9-11 km depth with only two occurrences at the deeper location (up to 13 km depth), i.e.,  
191 when the peak seismicity occurred (22 September) and on mid-October. The episode of  
192 earthquakes at deeper locations in a short period during 22 September is interesting. This  
193 episode might pronounce the initiation of a dike intrusion. VT seismicity was considered to  
194 reflect the stresses induced by the dike propagation (e.g., Roman and Cashman, 2006).

195 Another group is a sequence that contains the 8 November M4.9 and its aftershocks  
196 located ~8-10 km NE of Mount Agung. Their epicenters formed a NE-SW lineament (Figure  
197 2), and the hypocenters probably formed a dipping structure (Figure 3). We interpret this  
198 cluster as seismicity occurred at a local tectonic fault. The seismicity in this cluster was  
199 recorded in a station DNP (SW of epicenters) with no obvious S-wave (or so-called ‘S-wave  
200 shadow’, Figure S8) because the propagation of seismic rays might go through the magma  
201 plumbing zone of Mount Agung. This observation also marks a potentially seismic detection  
202 of a magma reservoir beneath Mount Agung by S-wave shadow (e.g., Lin *et al.*, 2018;  
203 Harjono *et al.*, 1989). In contrast, the S-wave of the M4.2 event (26 September) from the first  
204 cluster is clear at station DNP but hardly observed at station SRBI (NW of the epicenter), as  
205 shown in Figure 2. This S-wave shadow might be due to the existence of magma beneath  
206 either Mount Agung and Batur Caldera.

207 After the M4.9 event, Pusat Vulkanologi dan Mitigasi Bencana Geologi (PVMBG) of  
208 Indonesia reported the emergence of low-frequency (LF) events and volcanic tremors beneath  
209 Mount Agung (Figure 5). However, the proximal shallow seismic activity associated with the  
210 impending eruption might be small-magnitudes (e.g.,  $M < 2.4$ ). Thus, the regional network  
211 could not detect these events through our MFT detection, and its progression toward the  
212 summit might only be detected by very close seismic stations.

213 Syahbana *et al.* (2019) reported that the intense swarm had been initiated on 16  
214 September, as shown by the increase of Real-time Seismic Amplitude Measurement (RSAM)  
215 at a local short-period station (Figure 5c). However, in this study, MFT detection by using a  
216 regional network indicates that the swarm was initiated on 20 September ~09:00 UTC. This  
217 discrepancy might indicate that the seismic events from 16 to 19 September were smaller  
218 than 2.4, above which our MFT catalog can be considered complete by the regional station's  
219 observation. In general, the pattern of seismicity rate changes determined by MFT detection  
220 (Figure 5a) is similar to the RSAM graph from the local short-period station (Figure 5c). The  
221 swarm accelerated on 22 September 2017, as shown by the seismic record at a local station  
222 (RSAM values peaked on 22 September in station TMKS).

223 Syahbana *et al.* (2019) inferred that magma intruded into the mid-crust in early 2017  
224 and in August 2017, in advance of the intrusion of a dike between Mount Agung and Abang  
225 that initiated swarm seismicity in late September. The record of the N component of REND  
226 (GNSS) indicated ~20 cm southward movement (Figure 5c) from August to late September,  
227 away from Mount Agung. Syahbana *et al.* (2019) interpreted this displacement as a sign of  
228 deep inflation beneath Mount Agung. This deep inflation was aseismic, confirmed by the  
229 RSAM of TMKS station and the MFT detection in this study (Figure 5). The intense swarm  
230 activity was initiated near the end of this deep inflation. During the period of 16 to 23  
231 September, the REND displacement was changing become northward movement. Syahbana

232 *et al.* (2019) interpreted this northward movement (toward Mount Agung) as the sign of deep  
233 deflation.

234 Using InSAR analysis and 3D numerical models, Albino *et al.* (2019) indicated the  
235 2017 seismic swarm was related to the intrusion of a deep, sub-vertical magmatic dike  
236 between Agung and Batur. Their inferred dike is plotted in Figure 3. Our swarm seismicity in  
237 this study is generally consistent with the location of the dike proposed by them (Figure 3).  
238 We agree about a vertically and laterally interconnected system undergoing recurring magma  
239 mixing beneath Mount Agung and Batur. Based on Albino *et al.* (2019), a scheme of  
240 transport from a deep mafic source to a shallow andesitic reservoir is consistent with the 2017  
241 dike's geometry, while stresses from the topographic load controlled it. Besides, the corrected  
242 InSAR time series indicates a broad pre-eruptive uplift (Figure 5b) between Mount Agung  
243 and Batur (Point 'A', Figure 2) primarily during 6 to 14 October or about two weeks after the  
244 initiation of the swarm and one month before the eruption (Albino *et al.*, 2020). This uplift  
245 corresponds to the general decreases in VT earthquakes' rate with one of the little peaks of  
246 the seismicity shown in Figure 5.

247 Volcanic unrest and eruption at Agung provide important lessons for eruption  
248 forecasting (Gertisser *et al.*, 2018). The uncertainties in forecasting the eruption at Agung  
249 was due to the local seismic data limitations. Here, we attempted to overcome the limitation  
250 of small earthquake detection using an existing regional network. The intensive period of the  
251 Agung's VT swarm occurred from 20 September to 28 October (39 days), while the peak of  
252 seismicity occurred from 22 to 24 September (UTC). We identify two clusters of seismicity,  
253 i.e., in NW of Mount Agung (i.e., magmatic dike) and NE of Mount Agung (i.e., tectonic  
254 fault structure). However, we also could not detect the proximal shallow seismicity that  
255 occurred just before the eruption. Moreover, the updated spatiotemporal evolution and

256 cumulative seismic moment of VT events (Figure S12) provided by MFT detection could  
257 help estimate the ongoing situation beneath Mount Agung.

258         The potential trigger mechanism for a ‘late’ eruption at a stratovolcano is essentially  
259 challenging to assess; in this case, it might be the deep intrusion of magma, dike-induced  
260 swarm, or the tectonic triggering from the M4.9 event. Because seismicity initially declined  
261 after the 39-days dike-induced swarm and the low-frequency (LF) and volcanic tremor events  
262 shortly took place after the M4.9 (Syahbana *et al.*, 2019), we tend to select the mechanism of  
263 that M4.9 could catalyze the eruption by either the permanent displacement (static triggering)  
264 or propagation of seismic waves (dynamic triggering) (e.g., McNutt, 2005; Walter *et al.*,  
265 2007). Understanding every signal that came from beneath Mount Agung is important for  
266 volcanic hazard for the people of Bali and beyond. Our results show improvements in the  
267 earthquake catalog of the seismic swarm that feasibly applied shortly for monitoring of  
268 Mount Agung using existing regional networks.

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272 ([http://repogempa.bmkg.go.id/repo\\_new/repository.php](http://repogempa.bmkg.go.id/repo_new/repository.php)) and is available in Table S1 and S2.  
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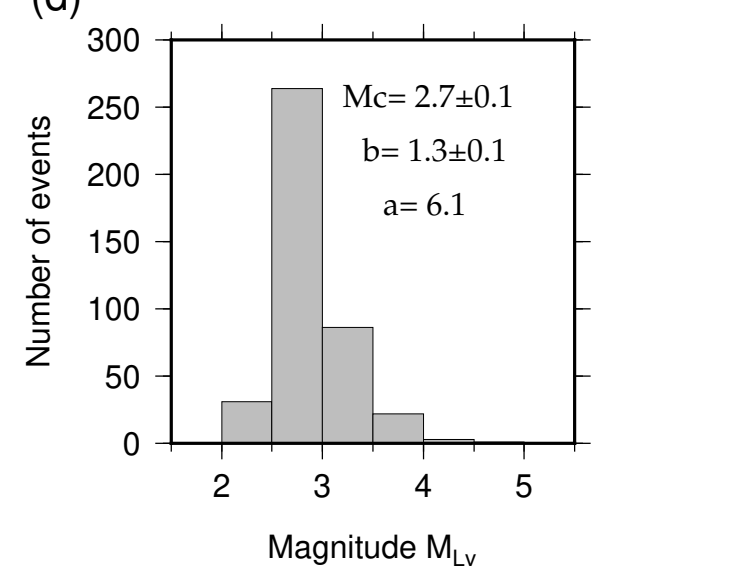
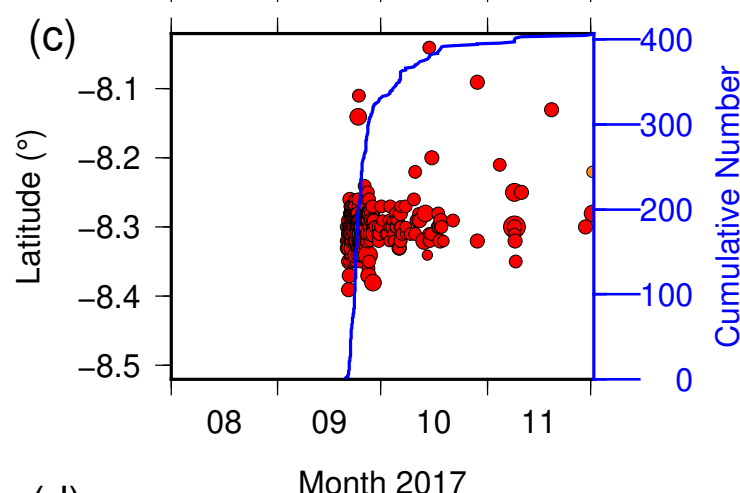
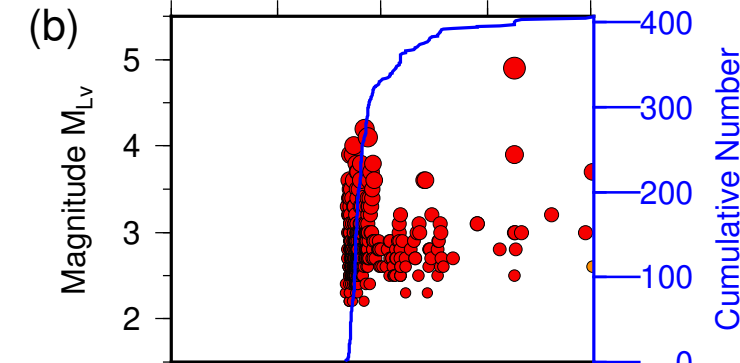
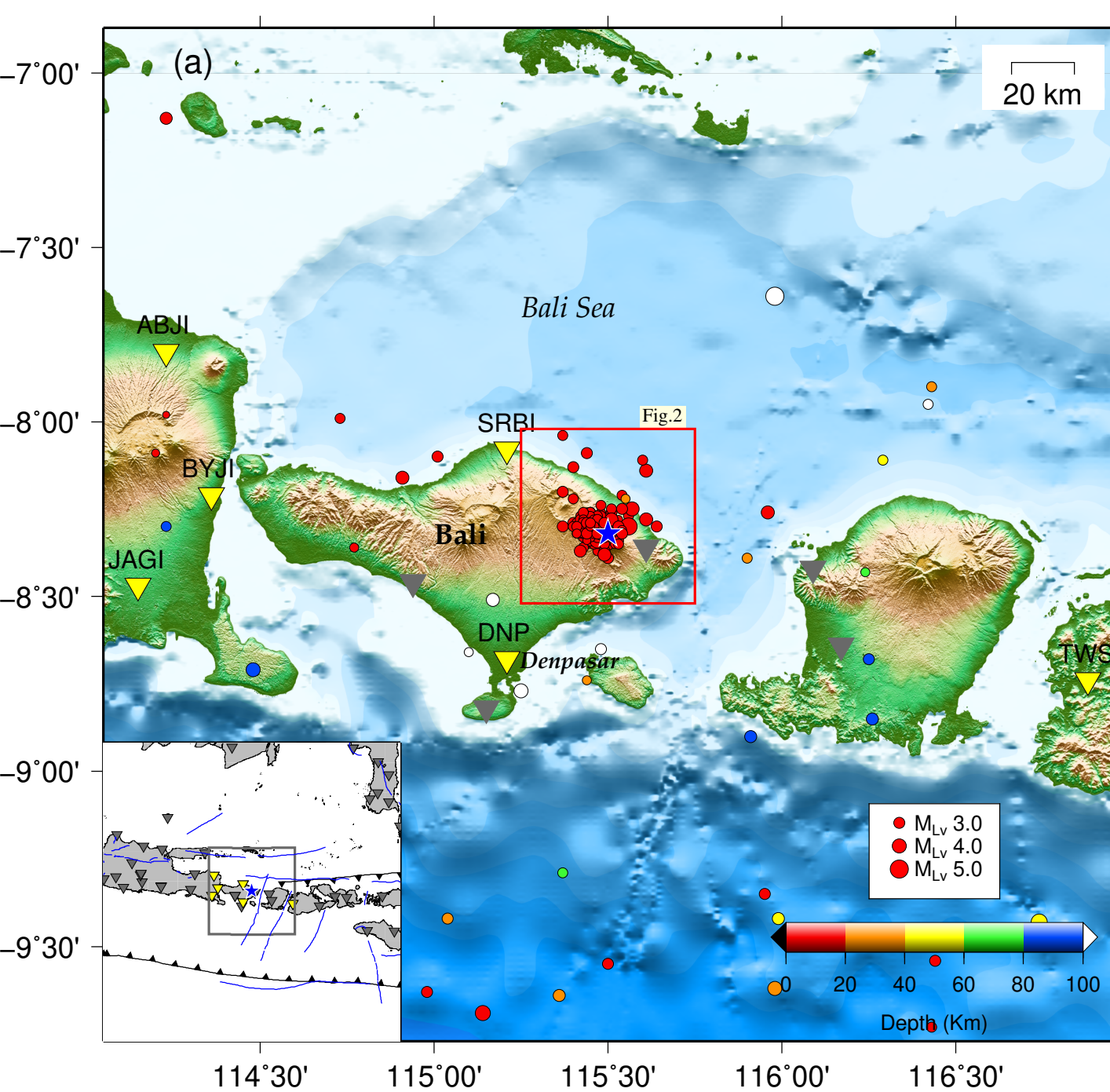
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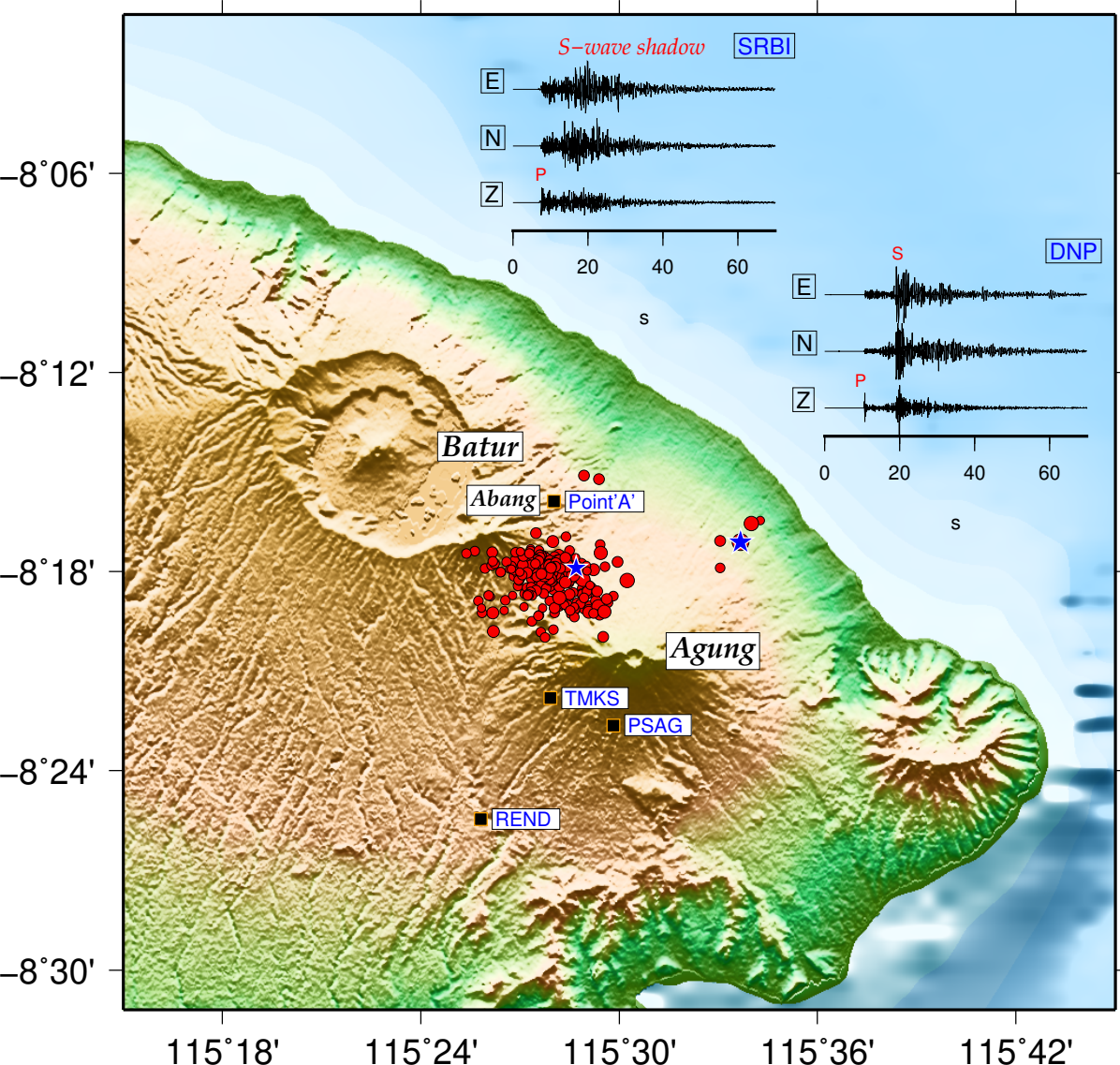
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**Figure 1.** VT swarm before the 2017 Mount Agung eruption. **(a)** Spatial distribution of epicenters (colored circles) from 1 August to 1 December 2017. Circles are scaled to magnitude. Inverted triangles are BMKG broadband seismic stations. **(b)** Magnitude distribution. Blue solid lines are the cumulative number of earthquakes. **(c)** Spatiotemporal N-S distribution. **(d)** Histogram of frequency-magnitude distribution.

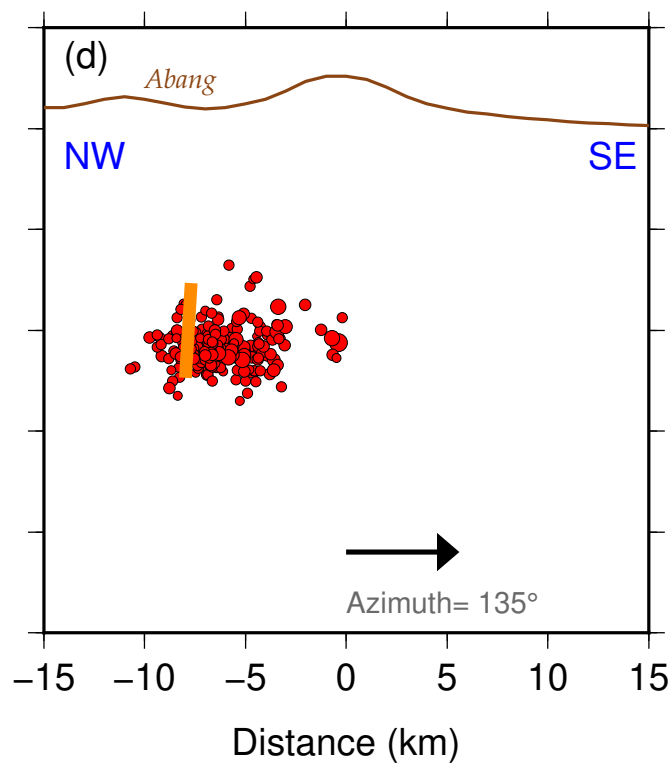
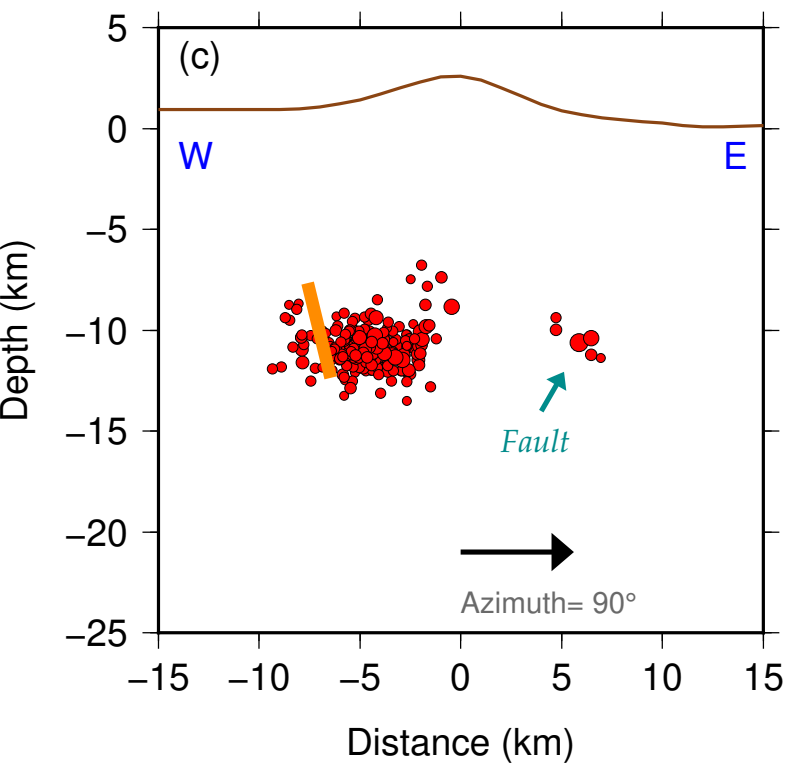
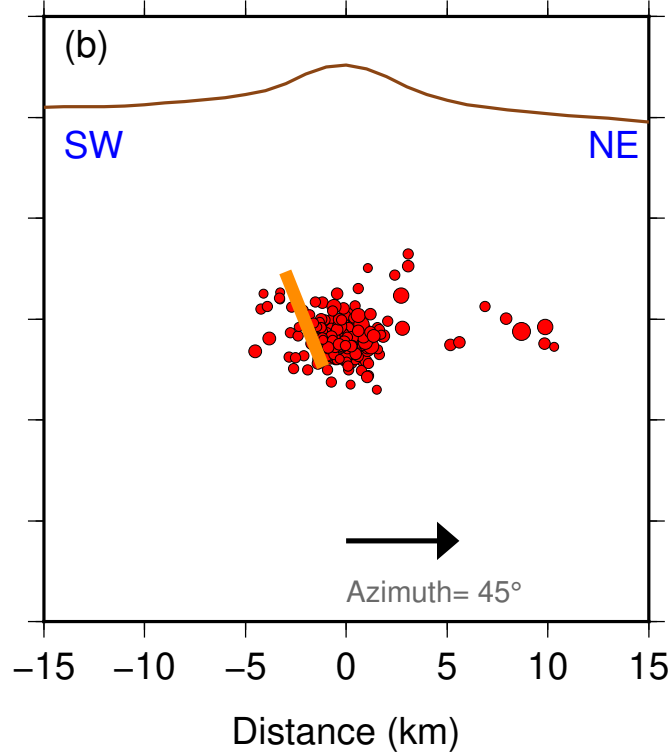
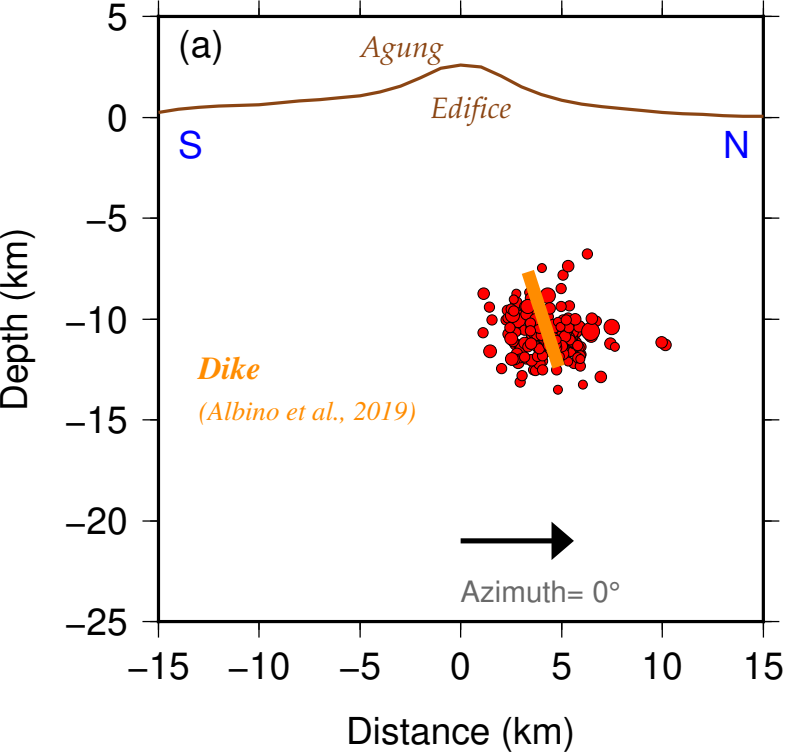


**Figure 2.** The topography around Mount Agung and relocated epicenters of VT swarm (red circles). Squares are TMKS, PSAG (seismic), and REND (GNSS) station. Stars are  $M > 4$  events. Also shown three-component seismograms of station SRBI and DNP for the 26 September 2017 M4.2 event.



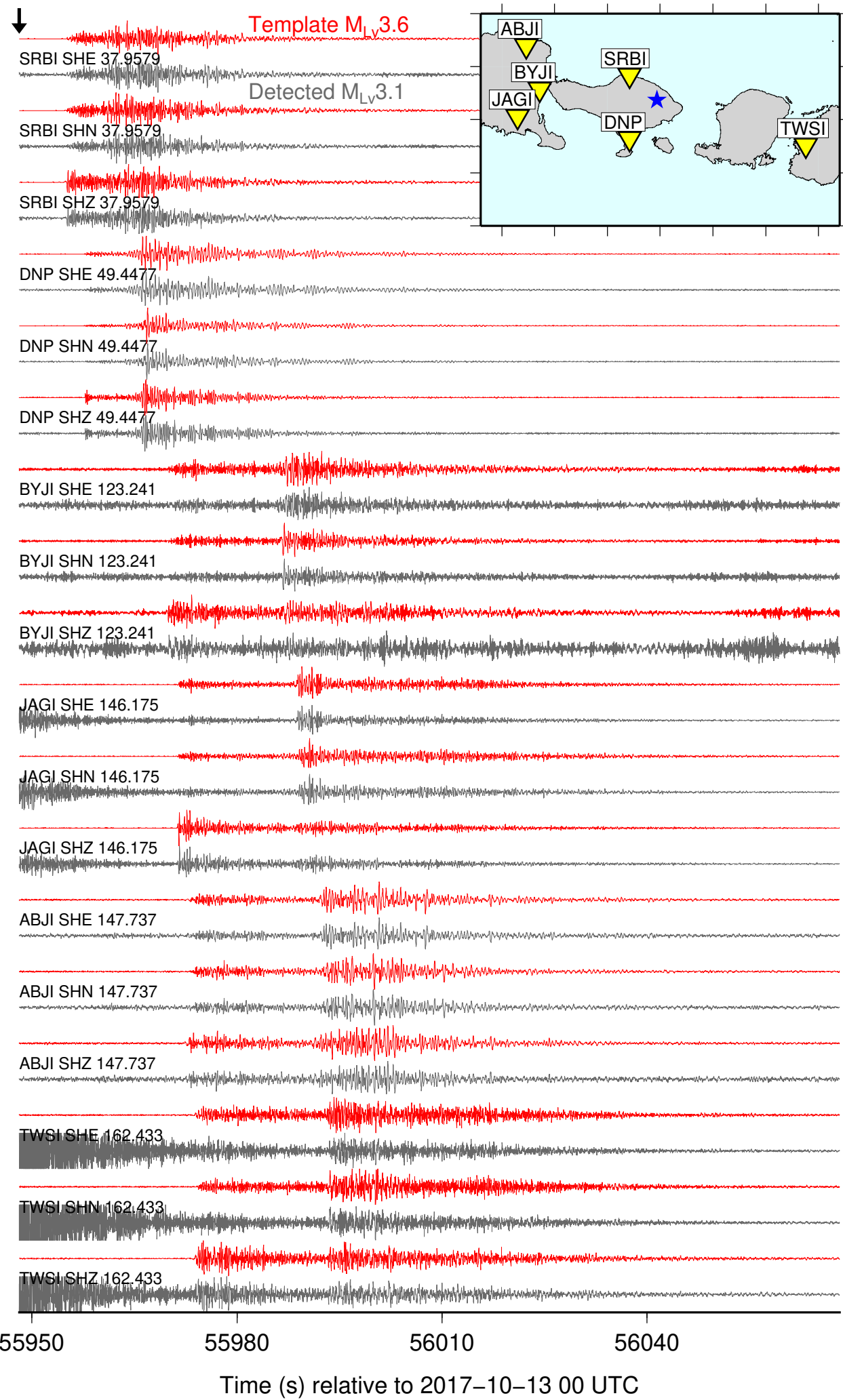
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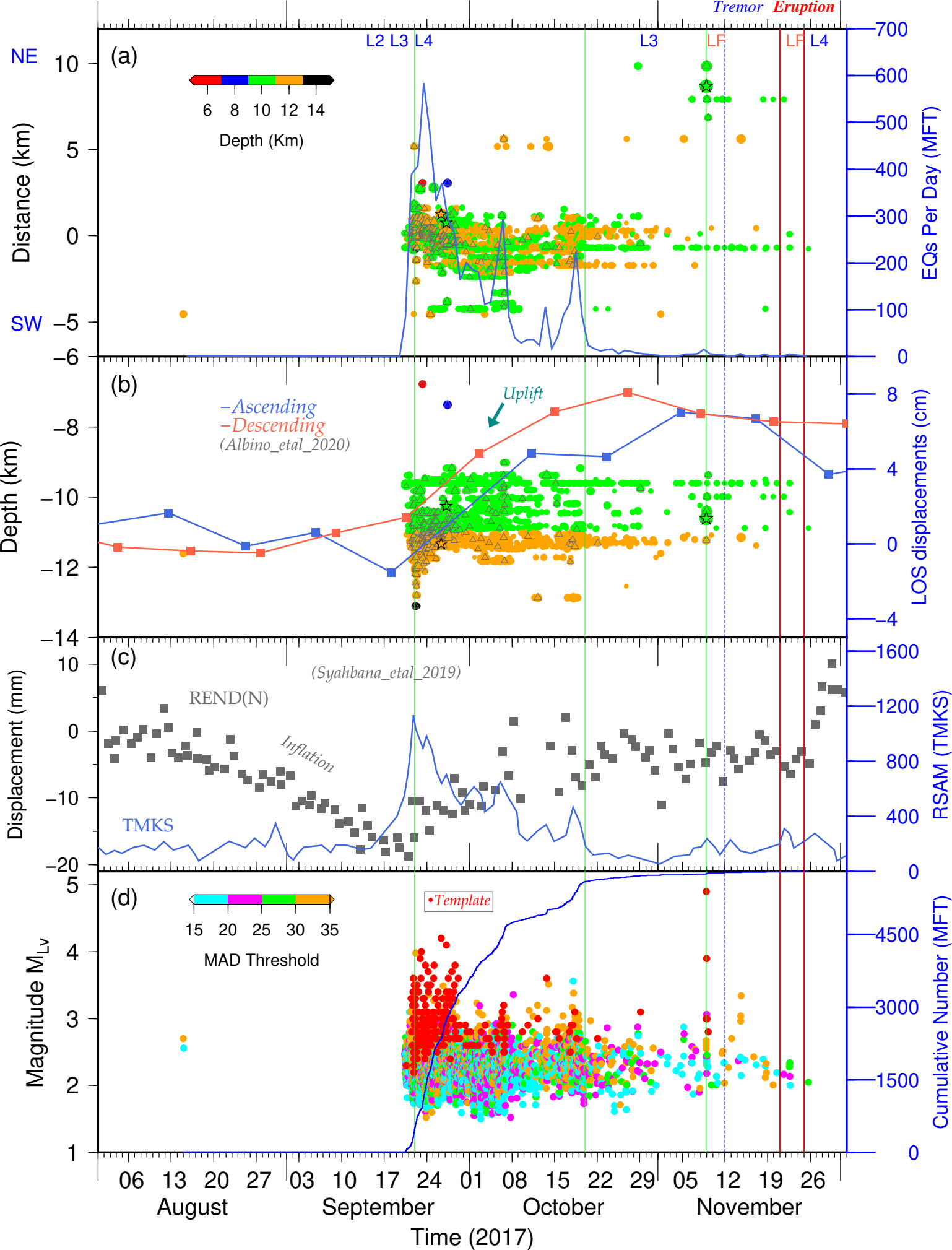


**Figure 4.** MFT detection. Example of waveform comparison between a detected event (magnitude 3.1; gray traces) and its detecting template event (magnitude 3.6; red traces). The mean correlation coefficient between all of these waveforms is 0.857. The black arrow shows the origin time of the detected event. The amplitudes were normalized by the maximum value at each window at each component/station. The station name, component/channel, and distance (km) are shown at the beginning of each gray trace. Station locations are plotted in the inset figure.

2017-10-13 15:32:28 Mean CC= 0.857



**Figure 5.** Swarm seismicity detected by MFT. **(a)** Spatiotemporal evolution of VT earthquakes (circles; colored according to the depth of the hypocenters). Gray triangles are templates. Black stars are  $M > 4.1$  events. L2, L3, and L4 correspond to the different alert levels provided by the PVMBG during the crisis. LF=Low Frequency events. The first and second green lines denote the time mark of 22 September and 20 October, respectively (see text). The third green line denoted the time mark when a magnitude 4.9 occurred. The blue dashed line indicates a time mark when the tremor firstly took place. The first and second red lines indicate when the first phreatomagmatic eruption and the onset of larger explosions, respectively. Blue solid line shows the number of earthquakes per day based on MFT detection. **(b)** Depth-time evolution of VT earthquakes. Solid lines show the corrected InSAR time series detecting displacement anomalies at point 'A' (see Fig. 2) provided by Albino *et al.* (2020). **(c)** GNSS time-series from station REND (N) and 12 hours RSAM from station TMKS (Syahbana *et al.*, 2019). **(d)** Magnitude distribution of MFT-based VT seismicity colored by different detection thresholds. Red circles are templates. The solid blue line corresponds to the cumulative number of events.



## **Supporting Information for**

### **Seismic swarm preceding the 2017 Mount Agung eruption in Bali (Indonesia) enhanced by the matched filter approach**

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### **Text S1.** [Hypocenter Relocation]

We selected seismic data from six BMKG regional broadband three-component stations (i.e., 18 channels) with a distance less than 170 km from the summit and with good azimuthal coverage, i.e., station SRBI (~37 km), DNP (~49 km), BYJI (~123 km), JAGI (~146 km), ABJI (~147 km), and TWSI (~162 km). We lacked a local broadband station close to the summit of Mount Agung (Fig. 2, S8); however, two of our stations located within <50 km distance from Mount Agung. It is noteworthy that Pusat Vulkanologi dan Mitigasi Bencana Geologi (PVMBG) operated two short-period seismic stations during the 2017 unrest located on the S and SW flanks of Mount Agung, ~4 and 5 km from the summit, i.e., station TMKS and PSAG (Fig. 2). Besides, station REND is one of five continuous GNSS stations that used to monitor the deformation of Mount Agung. This station located ~12 km S-SW of the volcano's summit (Fig. 2).

We visually picked the arrival times of the P- and S-waves of 407 VT earthquakes between 1 August and 1 December 2017. In addition to the catalog of arrival times, we also used differential arrival times obtained by the waveform cross-correlation method. The time window for cross-correlation is within a 2s; 0.5 s before and 1.5 s after the hand-picked P/S arrival times for seismograms bandpass filtered between 1 and 15 Hz. We relocated the events using double-difference method applied in HypoDD code (Waldhauser and Ellsworth, 2000). We used the global 1D velocity model (IASP91; Kennett and Engdahl, 1991) because the local velocity structure of Mount Agung has not been previously investigated. We also attempt to use the generic volcano velocity model of Lesage *et al.* (2018) interpolated with the Crust 1.0 model (Laske *et al.*, 2013) for the region around Mount Agung. The maximum hypocentral separation is 5 km, and the maximum number of neighbors per event is 20. The minimum four links are chosen for clustering. Fig. S1 and S2 show the position of earthquakes before relocation, and Fig. 1 and 2 show the refined positions after the relocation. The relocated hypocenters mostly located at 9 to 13 km of depths (Fig. 3).

**Text S2.** [Magnitude Homogenization]

All of the preferred magnitude used in the BMKG catalog for earthquakes analyzed in this study was in the type of  $M_{LV}$  (local magnitude measured on the vertical component), except for the 8 November 2017 21:54 UTC event used moment magnitude ( $M_w=4.9$ ). The local magnitude ( $M_{LV}$ ) for this event is 5.2.

**Text S3.** [Calculation of  $M_c$  and  $b$ -value]

We calculated the magnitude of completeness ( $M_c$ ) using the maximum curvature (MAXC) technique applied in the ZMAP Matlab code (Wiemer, 2001). This method worked quickly by defining the maximum curvature's point as the magnitude of completeness by computing the maximum value of the first derivative of the frequency-magnitude curve. The uncertainty was determined by a bootstrap approach. The comparison of FMD before and after performing MFT detection is provided in Fig. S3. The  $b$ - and  $a$ -values and their respective uncertainties are computed using a maximum-likelihood assessment (Shi and Bolt, 1982).

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**Figure S1.** Similar plot with Fig. 2 for un-relocated epicenters.

**Figure S2.** Similar plot with Fig. 3 for un-relocated hypocenters.

**Figure S3.** Frequency-magnitude distribution (FMD) for (a) BMKG catalog or before MFT, and (b) MFT catalog.

**Figure S4.** Record of the 26 September 2017 M4.2 earthquake at station SRBI component vertical. (a) Raw data, (b) band-pass filtered 1-15 Hz, (c) spectrogram.

**Figure S5.** Similar plot with Fig. S4 for station DNP component vertical.

**Figure S6.** Record of the 8 November 2017 M4.9 earthquake at station SRBI component vertical. (a) Raw data, (b) band-pass filtered 1-15 Hz, (c) spectrogram.

**Figure S7.** Similar plot with Fig. S6 for station DNP component vertical.

**Figure S8.** Similar plot with Fig. 2, but the seismograms are for the 8 November 2017 M4.9.

**Figure S9.** Similar plot with Fig. 4 for the detection of 2017-09-21 09:07:17 M3.1 event. The black traces are for SNR<5 (not used in MFT).

**Figure S10.** Three-component seismograms at station SRBI for a newly detected event on 15 August 00:33:02.97 event.

**Figure S11.** Similar plot with Fig. S10 for 01:44:02.45 event.

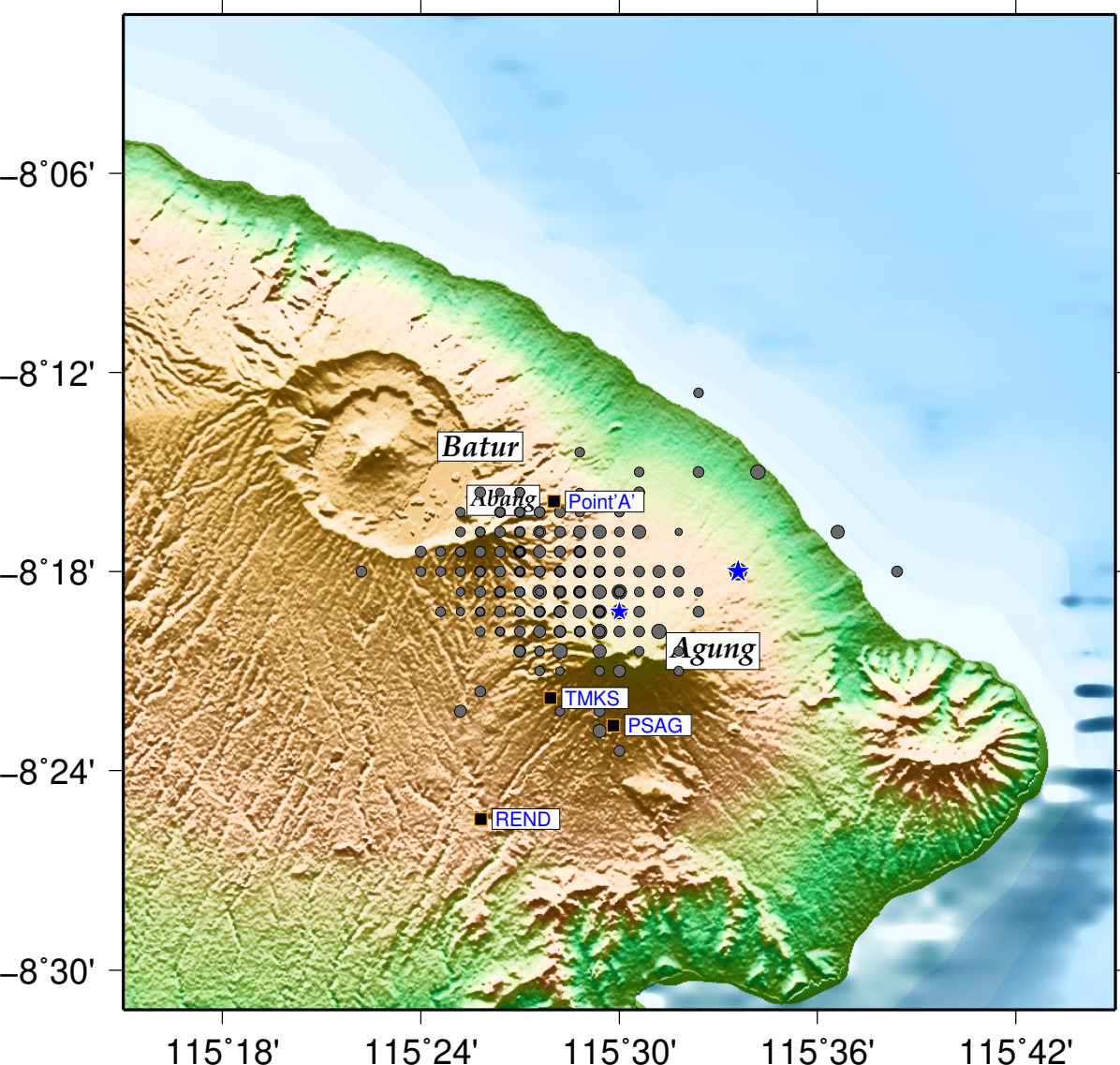
**Figure S12.** Earthquake statistics using the MFT catalog. (a) Time histogram. (b) Depth histogram. (c) Magnitude histogram. (d) Cumulative seismic moment.

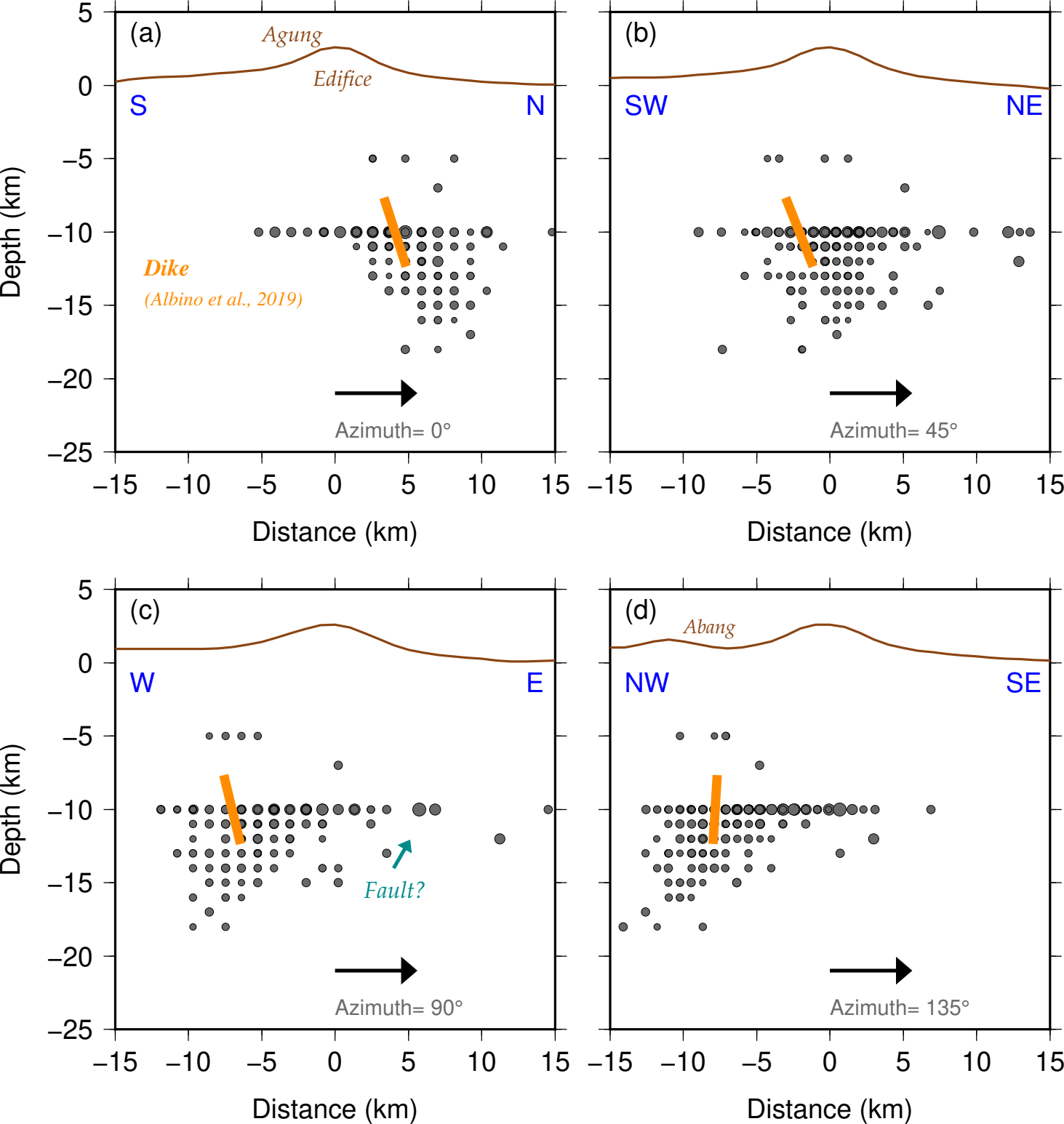
**Table S1** List of relocated template candidates (templates library).

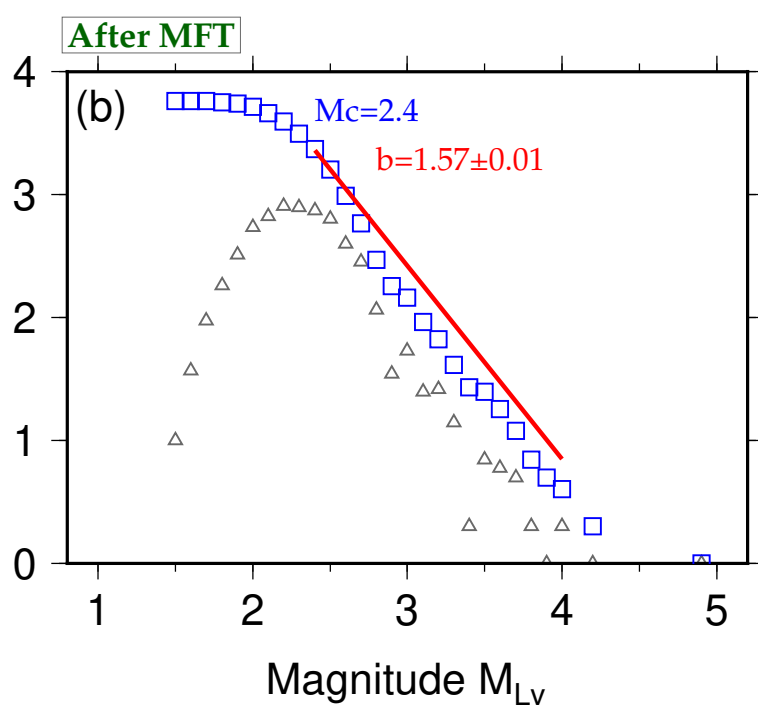
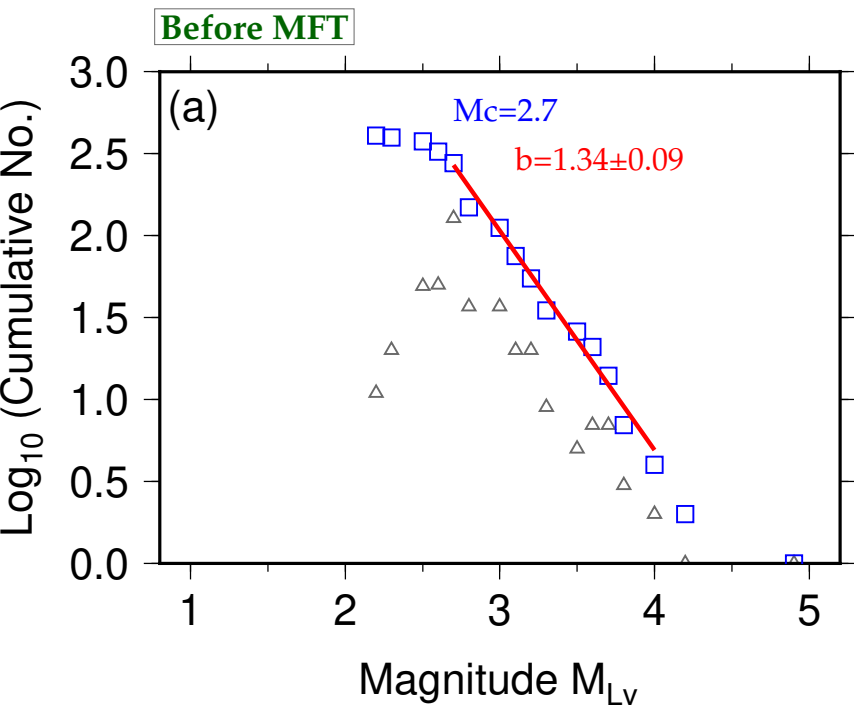
**Table S2** Matched filter catalog.

Mean CC= Mean correlation coefficient (Mean CC 1.0= self detection for 257 templates SNR>5).

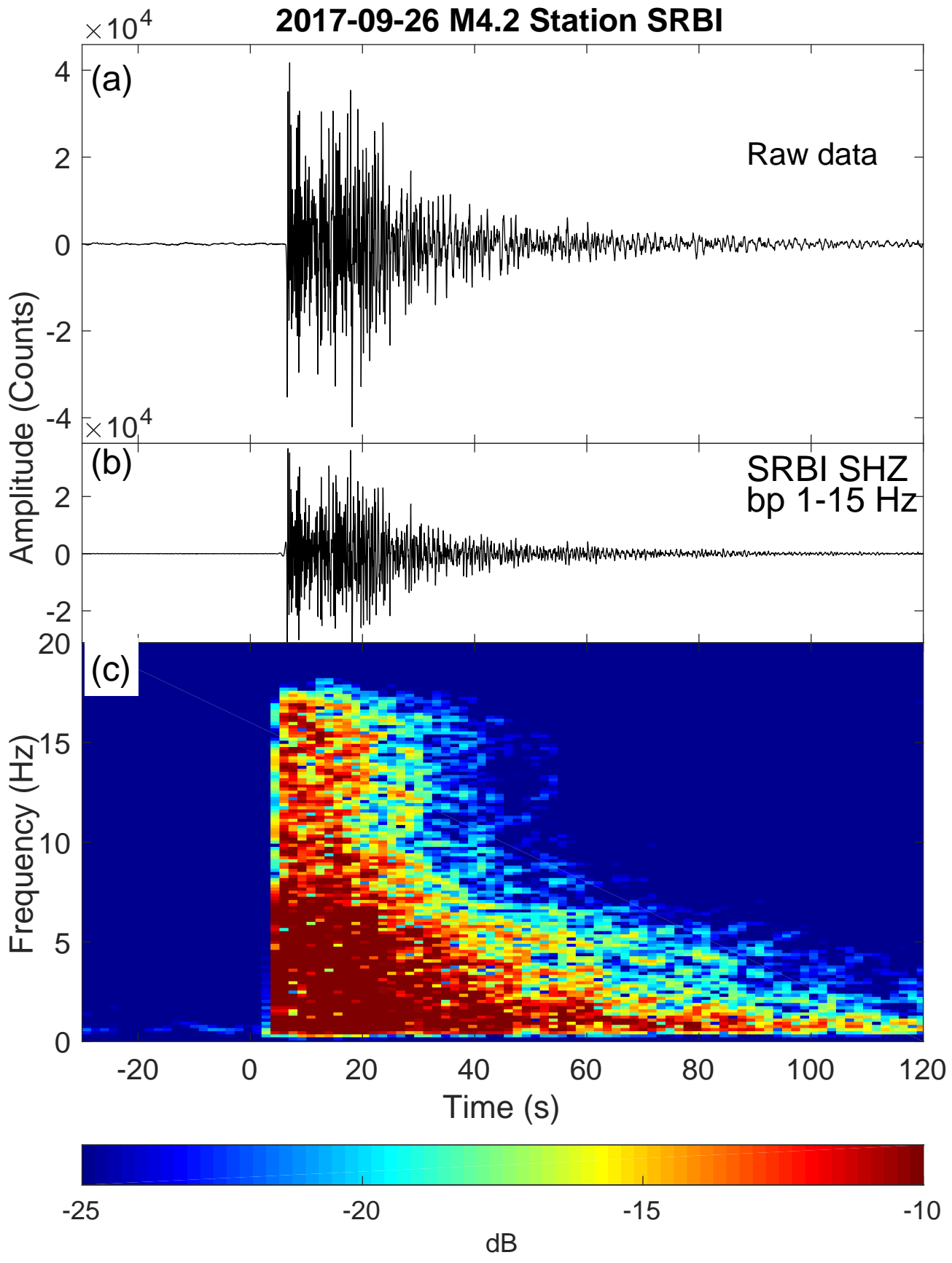
MAD= Median Absolute Deviation.



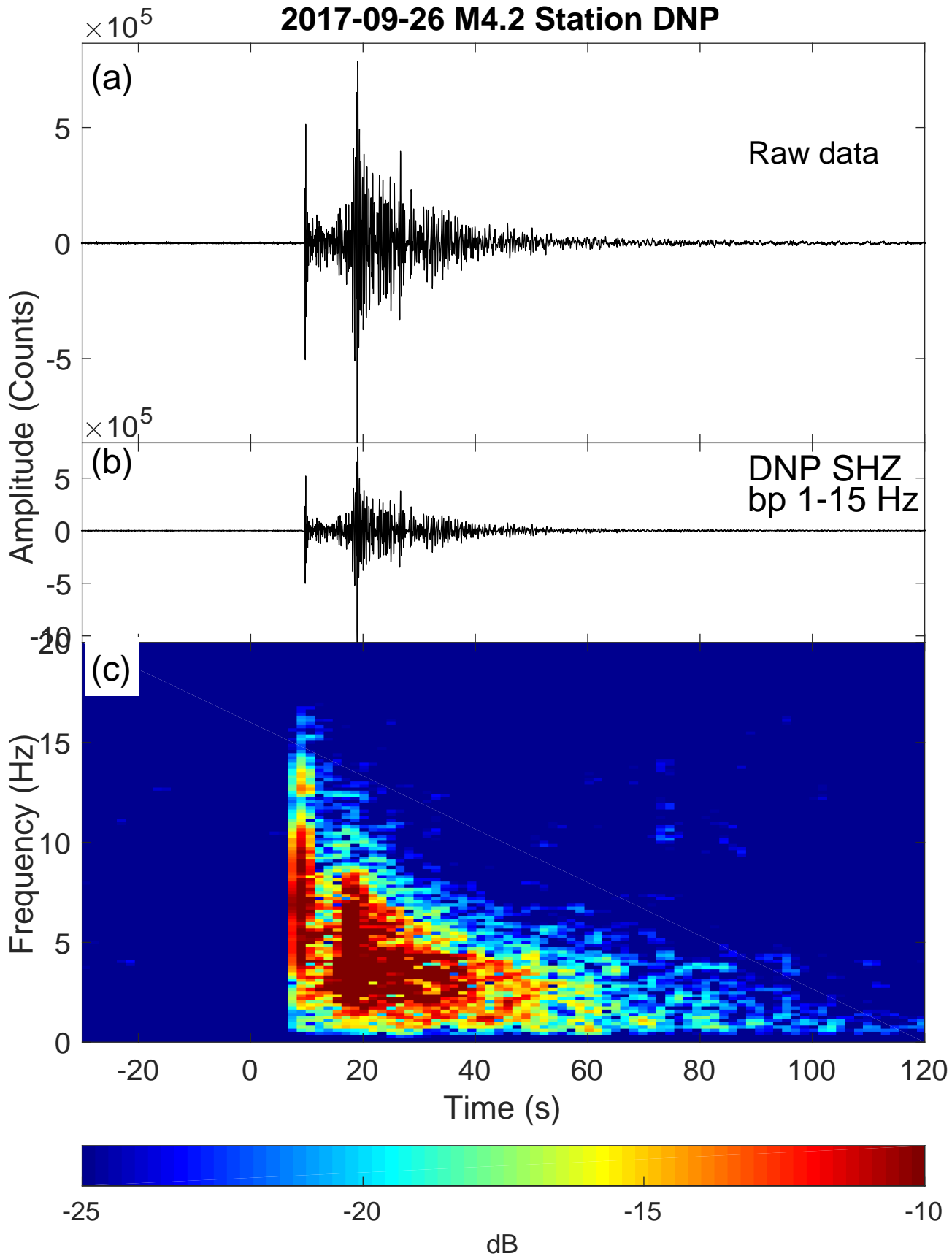




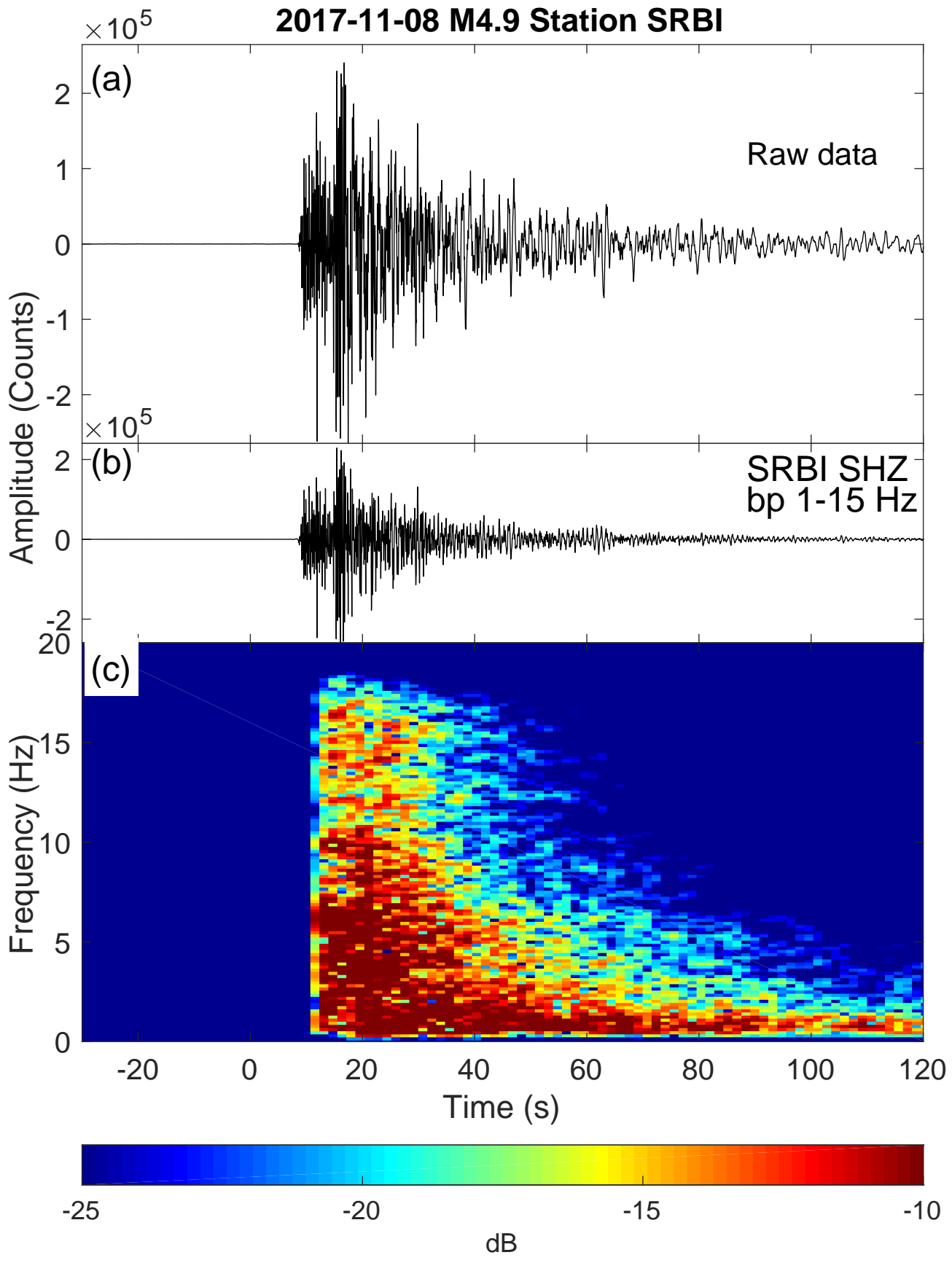
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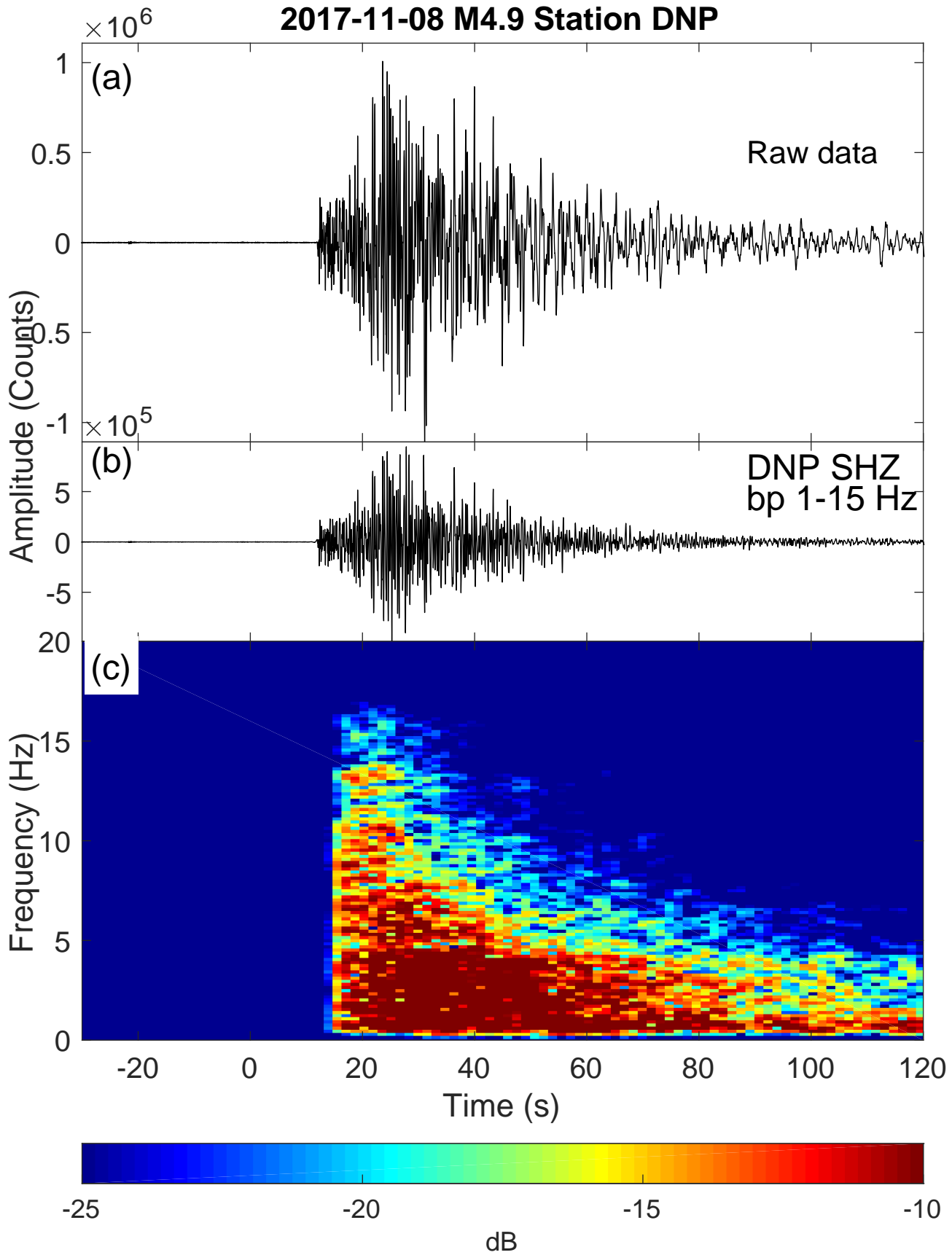
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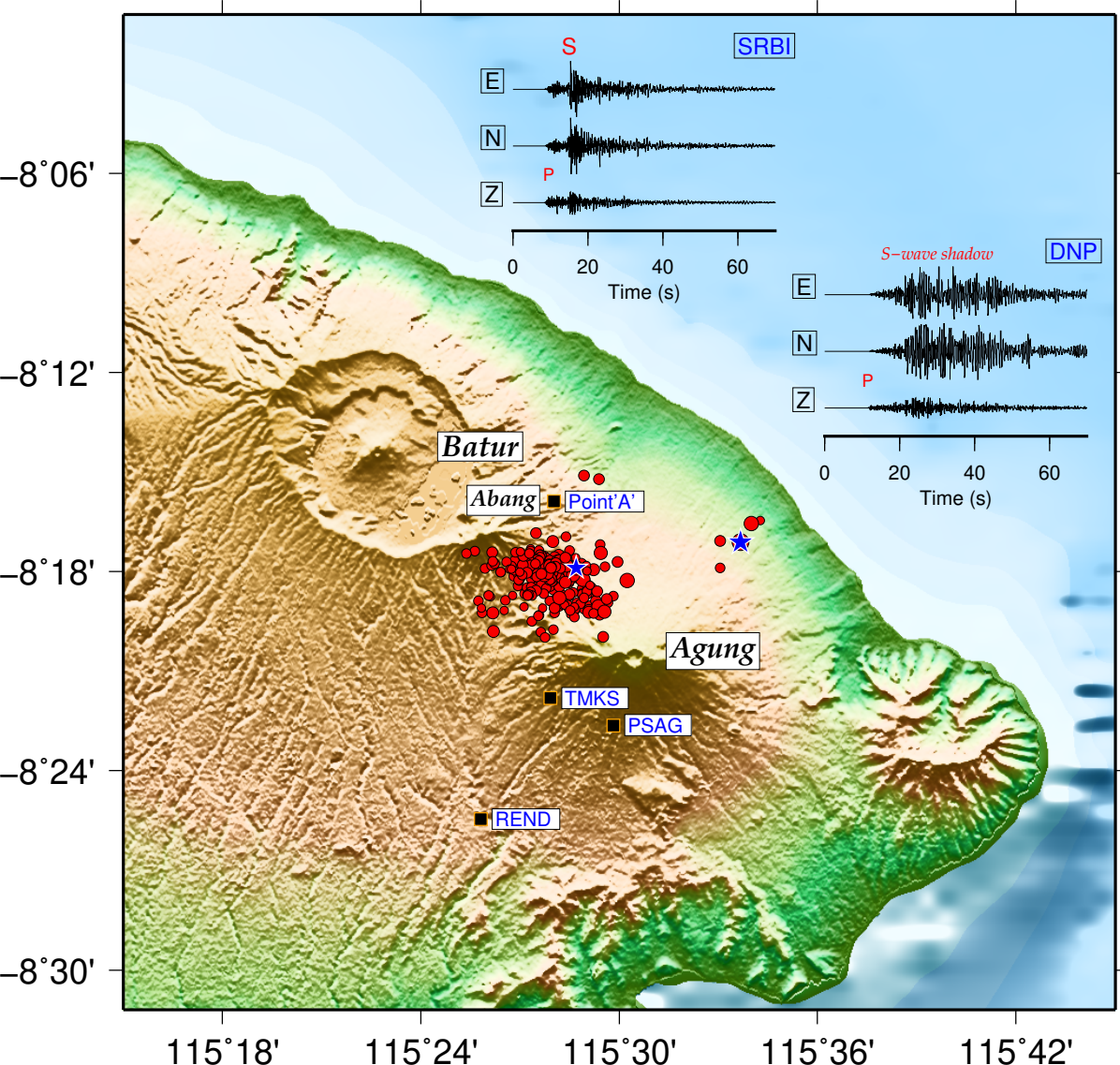
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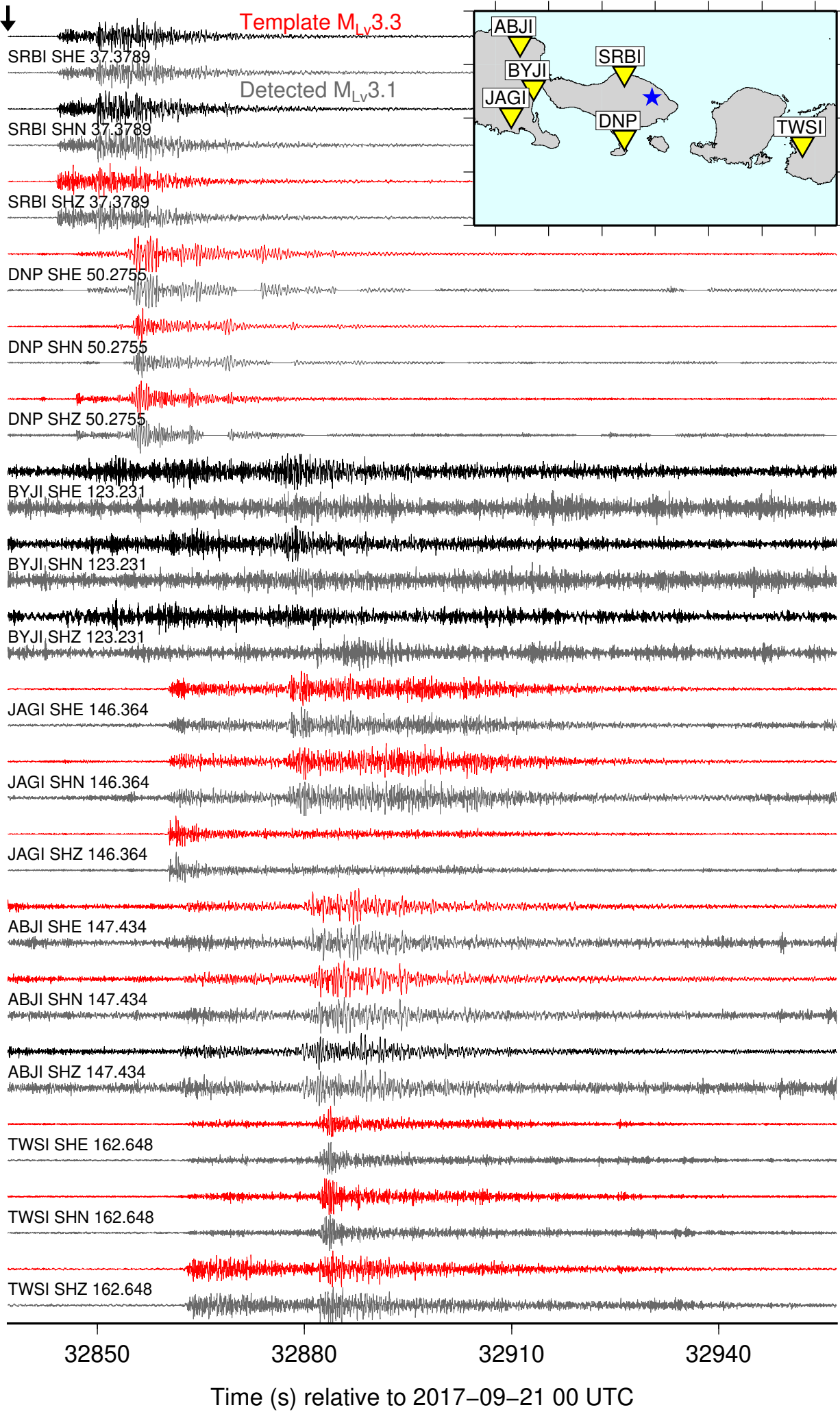


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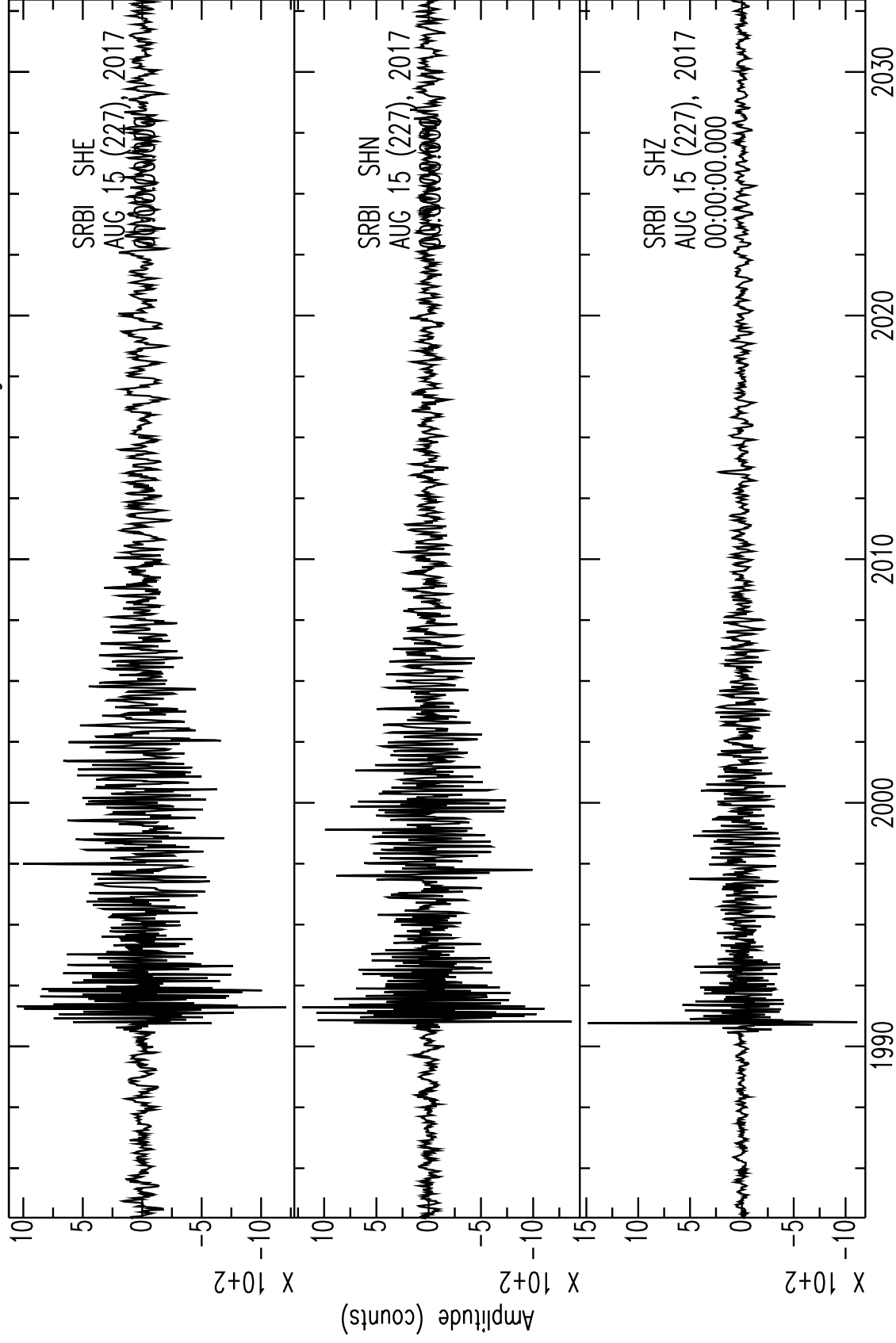








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Time (s) since 15 August 2017 00 UTC

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