## PNG adventure

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#### **Our First Project In PNG.**

The Horizon Oil project in Western Province. Working with GHD Geotechnics' Sydney team



#### The Equipment We Used

We built a new modular rig for the job. It packs up in tidy lift-and-transport boxes - sized for transport by 'plane and helicopter. The kit includes CPTu, DMT, sampling gear and a shear wave generator for seismic DMT testing. The rig can push up to 150kN.





**Moving Around** 

Rig and crew moved between test sites by helicopter.

### **Testing**

At some test sites we moved and ballasted the rig by heavy excavator. This was in places where such an excavator could go.





### In The Jungle

At jungle-bound test sites test reaction was provided by jack-hammered-in Platypus anchors. These sites were hacked out of the jungle by hand. Crew and rig access was by helicopter.

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