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Preface

This book provides an overview of breakup processes, rift structures, salt tectonics and petroleum systems along divergent margin settings, comparing the stratigraphic and structural development with their conjugate margins. This multidisciplinary approach, based on a large geological and geophysical datasets, has proven very useful for sedimentary basin analysis and petroleum exploration.

The chapters in this volume are presented in a tripartite division which includes an initial introduction with brief discussions on the historical development of the concepts related to conjugate divergent margins, followed by the main subthemes with geological and geophysical interpretation of selected case histories, organized by the following editors:

- South Atlantic conjugate margins (W.U. Mohriak and A. Danforth)
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