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1 Fahrtabschnitt / Cruise leg ANT XX/1 Bremerhaven – Kapstadt October 26 to November 22, 2002

### 1.1 Zusammenfassung und Fahrtverlauf

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Der erste Fahrtabschnitt der 20. Polarstern-Kampagne in die Antarktis führte von Bremerhaven nach Kapstadt (Abb. 1.1) und diente zum einen zur Erprobung und Testung von neu installierten Gerätschaften und Umbauten an Bord und zum anderen zu wissenschaftlichen Untersuchungen, die atmosphärische, biologische und chemische Forschungsaufgaben umfassten. Die Reise begann am 26. Oktober und endete am 22. November in Kapstadt.

Zunächst wurden auf dem Wege nach Vigo (Spanien) das neue Unterwassernavigationssystem Posidonia und eine Erweiterung der Hydrosweep-Anlage getestet. Während einer 19 stündigen Teststation wurde Posidonia erfolgreich kalibriert und eingesetzt. In Vigo wurde dann die Testmanschaft ausgeschifft.

Während der gesamten Fahrt erfolgten atmosphärische Messungen, die sich mit Ozonverteilung, der UV-Bestrahlungsstärke, der optischen Dicke und UV-B-Dosimetrie befassten. Dafür wurden z.B. täglich Ozonsonden-Aufstiege durchgeführt, die Informationen über die vertikale Verteilung des atmosphärischen Ozons lieferten. Eine Vielzahl von Spurengasen in der Stratosphäre und der Troposphäre wurde mit Hilfe eines FTIR Spektrometers bestimmt. Halogenierte Verbindungen und die Verteilung des Aerosols waren weitere Schwerpunkte der Atmosphärenchemie. Das atmosphärenchemische Programm wird genutzt, um mit Hilfe der Spurengasbestimmungen das Sciamachy Instrument auf dem Envisat Satelliten zu validieren. Eine weiteres atmosphären- und meereschemisches Programm diente der Untersuchung von organischen Schadstoffen, den so genannten POPs (persistant organic pollutants). Diese Substanzen wurden sowohl im Wasser als auch in der Luft bestimmt, um Erkenntnisse über Verteilung und Verbleib erhalten zu können.

Die meeresbiologischen und -chemischen Untersuchungen befassten sich mit der Artenzusammensetzung und Abundanz von Zooplanktern, insbesondere Copepoden, sowie deren Lipidzusammensetzungen. Ziel war es, großskalige Verbreitungsmuster im Atlantik zu erfassen, die genetische Variabilität an Copepoden, speziell an *Calanus*-Arten, zu bestimmen und die Art der Lipidspeicherung aufzuklären. Die Zooplankter wurden täglich mit Bongo-, RMT- und/oder Multi-Netz gefangen, sofort aussortiert und für weitere Untersuchungen konserviert.

### Summary and itinerary

The first leg of the 20<sup>th</sup> campaign of RV POLARSTERN in the Antarctic started in Bremerhaven on October 26<sup>th</sup> and ended in Capetown on November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2002 (Fig. 1.1). The scientific programme comprised atmospheric, biological and chemical investigations. During the first period of the cruise new scientific instrumentation on board POLARSTERN was tested. Between Bremerhaven

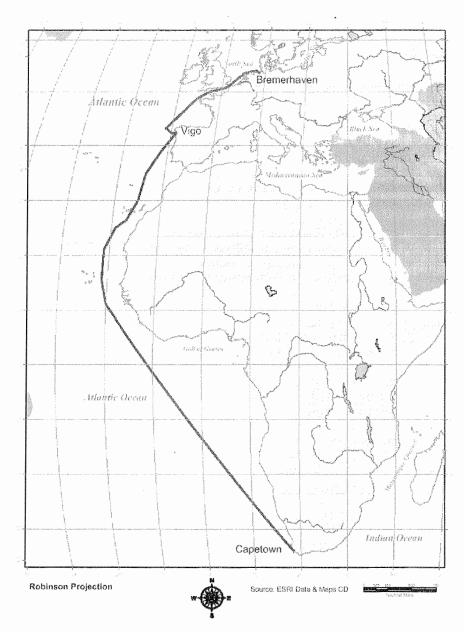


Abb. 1.1: Cruise track of ANT XX/1 / Fahrtverlauf von ANT XX/1.

and Vigo the new underwater navigation system Posidonia and the upgraded Hydrosweep system was successfully tested. Thereafter the testing crew disembarked in Vigo and the cruise continued towards Capetown.

During the entire cruise atmospheric measurements were performed. The distribution of ozone, intensity of UV radiation, optical density and UV-B dosimetry were determined. The vertical distribution of ozone was measured daily by balloon ascends with ozone

probes. Trace gas determinations were carried out for the validation of the Envisat satellite. A variety of trace gases were determined with a FTIR spectrometer. Another programme of the atmospheric and marine chemistry dealed with the measurement of persistant organic pollutants (POPs). These compounds were analysed in water and in air to clarify their distribution and fate.

The biological and chemical investigations addressed species composition, abundance of zooplankton, especially copepods, and their lipid compositions. Large scale distribution, genetic variability with special regard on *Calanus* species and the mode of lipid storage will be determined. Zooplankton was caught with various nets (Bongo-, RMT-, and multi net) every day during the entire cruise, immediately sorted and preserved for further investigations.

### 1.2 Meteorologie: Wetterbedingungen

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FS POLARSTERN legte am 26.10.02 in Bremerhaven ab und bog südlich von Helgoland in Richtung SW ein. Das Schiff gelangte dabei gleich in ein rückseitiges Starkwindfeld von 25-30 Knoten (Bft 6-7) aus West, das zu einem nach Südskandinavien abziehenden Sturmtief gehörte. Nachts flaute der Wind unter Rückdrehung auf SW-S im Bereich eines nachrückenden Hochkeils nur vorübergehend auf unter 25 Knoten ab, briste aber bereits bis zu den Frühstunden des 27.10. aus SW auf über 40 Knoten (Bft 9) auf. Der 27.10. wurde in der Folge "das" Sturm- und Orkanereignis der gesamten Fahrtroute nach Kapstadt. Die Ursache für diese Entwicklung lag in einem rasch vom Nordatlantik zu den Britischen Inseln ziehenden Orkantief, das seinen tiefsten Kerndruck von unter 970 hPa über der mittleren Nordsee erreichte. POLARSTERN befand sich dabei vom Vormittag bis in den Abend hinein noch im Gebiet der südwestlichen Nordsee im äußerst starkgradientigen kaltfrontrückseitigen Bodentrog. Die Sturmstärke nahm bis 11 UTC stetig zu und blies bis 14,30 UTC mit Werten um 60 Knoten aus W. Der maximale Mittelwind wurde 12.30 UTC mit einer Orkanstärke (Bft 12) von 68 Knoten erreicht, die Spitzenböe lag bei 78 Knoten (Abb. 1.2.1). Obwohl durch die nahen Britischen Inseln und die Enge des Ärmelkanals die Einwirkstrecke des Orkans verkürzt war, steigerte sich die Wellenhöhe über 5 m bis zum Nachmittag auf 8 m. Das Schiff war dadurch gezwungen, die Fahrt teilweise auf 4 Knoten zu reduzieren.

Im Laufe des Abends entspannte sich die Situation im Ostausgang des Kanals aber schon weitgehend, da Polarstern zunehmend in den schwachgradientigeren Randbereich einer von Westen nach Frankreich ziehenden Hochdruckzelle geriet. Die Durchfahrt durch den Ärmelkanal am 28.02.02 gestaltete sich daher bei Wellen um 2 m und einem auf S-SE zurückdrehenden Wind relativ unproblematisch, auch wenn am Westausgang des Kanals noch eine lange Dünung vom Atlantik gegen das Schiff lief.

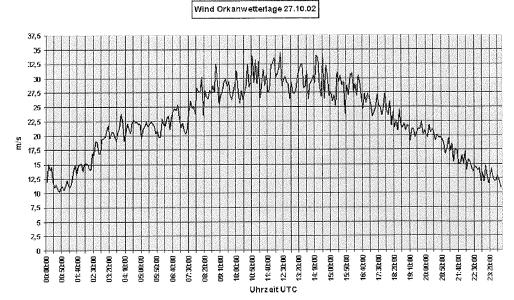


Abb. 1.2.1 Graphik der 10-minütigen Windgeschwindigkeiten am 27.10.02 auf der Grundlage der PODAS-Daten

Auf der Vorderseite eines sich abschwächenden und langsam nach NE ziehenden Tiefs nördlich der Azoren durchfuhr Polarstern am 29.10.02 die westliche Biskaya. Bei südwestlichen bis südlichen Winden um Bft 4 trübte es sich bei Annäherung der Kaltfront des Tiefs vorübergehend ein mit leichtem schauerartigem Regen. Danach drehte abends der Wind unter kurzfristiger Auffrischung auf Bft 5-6 frontrückseitig auf W. Am Folgetag, dem 30.10.02, legte das Schiff nordwestlich von Kap Finisterre bei 43 °N, 11 °W zur ganztägigen Erprobung des Unterwasser-Navigationssystems Posidonia eine Station ein. Dieser Tag wurde begleitet vom Einfluss eines Hochkeils und heiterem Wetter sowje westlichem Wind von 3-4 Bft. Nach erfolgreicher Durchführung der Posidonia-Tests steuerte Polasrstern am 31.10.02 die Bucht von Vigo an und gab die am Test beteiligten Personen von Bord. Danach setzte Polarstern ihre Fahrt Richtung Süden fort und dampfte dabei gegen einen Südwind von Bft 4-5 an. Am 01.11.02 führte die Fahrt aber bereits in die Achse der damals von Madeira bis nach Spanien reichenden subtropischen Hochdruckzone hinein. In ihrem Bereich flaute der Wind bei zunächst noch südwestlichen bis südlichen Richtungen auf 5-10 Knoten (Bft 2-3) ab. Das Zentrum der Hochdruckzone bestimmte auch am 02.11.02 Wetter und Wind. Bei meist sonnigem Wetter war die See mit 0,5-1 m auch recht ruhig.

In der Nacht zum 03.11.02 fuhr POLARSTERN dann an der Südostflanke der stabilen Hochdruckzone nordwestlich der Kanarischen Inseln in den NE-Passat hinein. Der NE-Wind frischte gleich auf Werte von 20-25 Knoten (Bft 5-6) auf. Es herrschte mit rund 2 m eine Mischung aus Windsee und Dünung. Am späten Abend des 03.11.02 passierte POLARSTERN die Meeresenge zwischen Gran Canaria und Teneriffa. Das Schiff kam je nach Länge der eingelegten Stationen jetzt täglich 3-5 Breitengrade nach Südsüdwesten voran. Der nordöstliche Passat-Schiebewind war am 04.-05.11.02 mit 15-25 Knoten (Bft 5) weiterhin gut ausgeprägt. Er hielt konstant einen Seegang von 1,5-2 m aufrecht. Erst am 06.11.02, als POLARSTERNbei etwa 20 °N und 21 °W vor

Mauretanien ihre westlichste Position erreichte, und am 07.11., als sie die Kapverdischen Inseln passierte, ging der Wind auf 5-10 Knoten (Bft 2-3) zurück, bei gleichzeitiger Drehung auf NNE.

Das Schiff erreichte am 08.11. den druckgradientschwachen, nördlichen Bereich der äquatorialen Tiefdruckzone. An diesem Tag herrschten nicht nur relativ schwache nordnordöstliche Winde um 10 Knoten (Bft 3), sondern auch, noch nördlich der wetteraktiven Zone der ITC (Innertropischen Konvergenz) bei 11 °N liegend, bei sonnigem Wetter die höchsten Temperaturen der ganzen Fahrtstrecke (thermischer Äquator) mit 28,7 °C in der Luft und 29,3 °C im Wasser. Gleichzeitig gab es Taupunktstemperaturen von rund 23 °C. Dieser Tag bot auch mit dem dreistündigen Treffen Polarstern - Meteor eine willkommene Abwechslung und Kommunikationsmöglichkeit mit den Wissenschaftlern und der Bordwetterwarte des jeweils anderen Schiffes. Erwartungsvoll wurde nun der Durchquerung der ITC in den nächsten beiden Tagen entgegen gesehen. Die ITC befand sich zu dieser Zeit zwischen 5 und 10 °N. Bei etwa 8,5 °N ging um 9 UTC des 09.11.02 die NNE-Windrichtung in eine südöstliche Richtung über. Der Himmel war mit mittelhoher und hoher Bewölkung der ITC überzogen. Nachdem schon nachts im Süden Wetterleuchten gesehen werden konnte. wurde das Schiff um 16.30 UTC von einer Böenlinie unter aufquellenden Cbs innerhalb eines größeren konvektiven Wolkenclusters erfasst. Kurzzeitig entlud sich ein intensiver tropischer Schauer mit einer maximalen Niederschlagsintensität von 58 mm/h, und der Wind frischte vorübergehend auf 33 Knoten (Bft 7) auf. Am zweiten ITC-Tag. dem 10.11.02, lockerte die Bewölkung stärker auf; in der Ferne, hauptsächlich im Norden. konnte man aber noch hochreichende Cb-Entwicklungen erkennen.

Als Polarstern am Abend des 11.11.02 um 19.25 UTC bei 11 °W den Äquator überquerte, hatte sich der Wind mit 10 Knoten (Bft 3-4) voll auf SE eingependelt. Die Lufttemperaturen lagen jetzt "nur noch" um 25 °C. In der Folge erhöhte sich die Stärke des SE-Passates auf 15 bis maximal 25 Knoten (Bft 4-6) bei Wellenhöhen von 1,5-2,5 m. Zusammen mit dem Fahrtwind des Schiffes ergab dieser Wind wegen der südöstlichen Fahrt einen relativen Gegenwind von über 30 Knoten (Bft 7). Dabei herrschten bis einschließlich 14.11.02 noch veränderliche Bewölkungsverhältnisse mit sonnigen Zwischenphasen vor. Ab 15.11. und 10 °S durchfuhr an der Nordseite des zwischen 25 und 30 °S stabil liegenden südatlantischen subtropischen Hochs Polarstern die bekannten geschlossenen bis fast geschlossenen Sc-Felder des SE-Passates. Deshalb konnte auch am 17.11. um 12.45 Uhr Bordzeit (MEZ) die Unterquerung des mittäglichen Zenitstandes der Sonne in 18,5 °S nur erahnt werden. Erst am 18. und 19.11. lockerte die Bewölkung im Bereich von 20 °S bis 24 °S zumindest zeitweise auf.

In der Frühe des 20.11.02 kreuzte in Höhe von 27 °S die Kaltfront eines weit im Süden ostwärts ziehenden Tiefs in stark abgeschwächter Form den Kurs der Polarstern Hinter ihr klarte es unter dem Einfluß des nach wie vor bei etwa 30 °S und 5 °W liegenden subtropischen Hochs ganz auf, während der Wind von S bis SE auf Bft 6 aufbriste. Dabei herrschte ein Wellengang von 2,5-3,5 m. Zum Abend erreichte der Wind sogar Stärken von Bft 7 bei einem durch Dünung auf 4 m hochgehenden Wellengang. Nachdem am Folgetag bei noch vielfach heiterem Wetter der Wind auf Bft 5, aber weiterhin relativ ausgeprägter Dünung zurückgegangen war, erreichte am frühen 22.11.02 Polarstern Kapstadt. An diesem Tag überquerte die Kaltfront eines südatlantischen Tiefs die Stadt von Südwesten her. Die meteorologischen Daten der Fahrt sind in den Abbildungen 1.2.2 bis 1.2.4 zusammengefasst.

#### Windrichtung

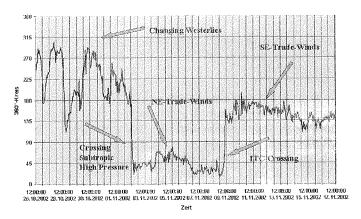


Abb. 1.2.2: Windrichtungen während ANT XX/1.

#### Windgeschwindigkeit

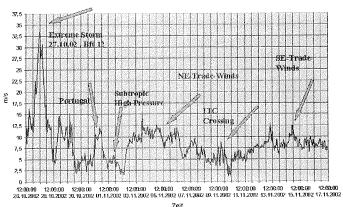


Abb. 1.2.3: Windgeschwindigkeiten während ANT XX/1.

### Temperatur Luft-Wasser

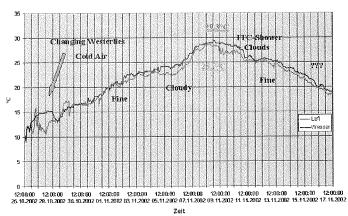


Abb. 1.2.4: Luft- und Wassertemperaturen während ANT XX/1.

# 1.3 Erprobung und Abnahme der neuen Installationen auf FS PolarsternS. El Naggar

Während der letzten Werftzeit der Polarstern vom 15.-26.10.2002 wurden folgende Umbaumaßnahmen realisiert:

- Modifizierung und Festinstallation des Unterwasser-Navigationssystems Posidonia.
- Ein neues E-Mail-System der Firma WERUM wurde an Bord und an Land (AWI-Bremerhaven) installiert, getestet, in Betrieb genommen und bereits in Bremerhaven abgenommen.
- Installation eines neuen Krans StB. achtern (Müller & Schmoranzer) als Ersatz für den alten ATLAS-Kran. Die Kapazität des neuen Krans beträgt 5 to von 2-18 m.
- Installation eines neuen Thermosalinographen der Firma SeaBird (SBE 21+ SBE 38) im Kastenkiel.

Auf dem ersten Teilabschnitt von Bremerhaven nach Vigo (26.10.-1.10.02) wurde das Posidonia-System getestet, kalibriert und abgenommen. Andere neue Installationen und Umbauten wurden dann bis Kapstadt in Betrieb genommen und getestet.

### 1.3.1 Test, Kalibrierung und Abnahme des Posidonia-Systems

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Um den Einsatz des französischen Unterwasserfahrzeugs VICTOR 6000 auf Polasrstern zu ermöglichen, wurde das Unterwassernavigationssystem Posidonia 1998 angeschafft und eingesetzt. Für den im Sommer 2003 geplanten ROV-Einsatz wurde nun das Posidonia-System modifiziert, getestet und kalibriert. Ein Techniker der Firma OCEANO führte während des Teilabschnitts Bremerhaven-Vigo die Installationen, die Schulung und den Test durch.

Der Test fand in der Biskaya auf der Position 43°12'N; 11°17'W bei einer Wassertiefe von 2760 m statt. Hierfür wurden zwei Transponder auf dem Meeresboden im Abstand von ca. 200 m verankert, die als Referenz für die Kalibrierung dienten. Die CTD Sonde wurde bis auf 2500 m gefahren, um das Schallprofil zu ermitteln. Die Kalibrierung erfolgte durch Drehen des Schiffes mit 4 Knoten um den Referenztransponder in einem Kreis von ca. 1750 m Durchmesser (Abb. 1.3.1). Dabei lag der Empfangskegel in einem Öffnungswinkel von 30°. Danach fuhr das Schiff auf zwei Kreisen in Form einer Acht (Abb. 1.3.2) um die beiden Transponder, um die Kalibrierung zu validieren.

Um den Einfluss einer neuen Positionierung der Antenne im Brunnenschacht auf die Genauigkeit zu prüfen, wurde die Antenne (Akustikarray) mehrmals aus seiner Endlage ca. 1 m hochgezogen, wieder auf Position gebracht und verriegelt. Danach wurde der Referenztransponder in einem Kreis (siehe unten) umfahren und geortet.

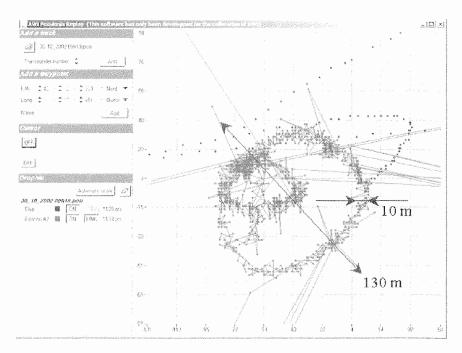
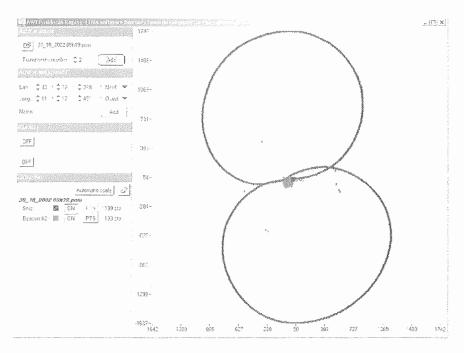


Abb. 1.3.1: Bestimmung der Kalibrierparameter bei Posidonia. Der äußere Kreis ist die Transponderposition vor der Kalibrierung und der innere Kreis entstand nach der Korrektur



**Abb. 1.3.2**: Validierung der Kalibrierung von Posidonia. Die Punktwolke in der Mitte des Bildes stellt die ermittelte Position des Transponders dar

### Ergebnisse:

- Nach Modifizierung, Festinstallation und Softwareerweiterung arbeitet das Posidonia-System fehlerfrei und ist nun leicht zu bedienen.
- Der Austausch der Antenne im Brunnenschacht benötigt ca. 45 Minuten.
- Die Kalibrierung hat gezeigt, dass die Referenz für die Position an Bord nicht eindeutig ist. Dies sollte die MINS sein. Die Ergebnisse zeigen aber, dass die durch Posidonia ermittelte Transponderposition innerhalb eines Kreises von ca. 40 m Durchmesser liegt. Dies kann nur durch eine falsche Transformation der Position vom Brunnenschacht zur Position der MINS entstehen.
- Die Ortungsgenauigkeit des Transponders liegt bei ca. ±10 m.
- Montage und Demontage der Antenne im Brunnenschacht hat keinen Einfluss auf die Ortungsgenauigkeit. Daher besteht kein Bedarf zur erneuten Kalibrierung des Systems nach erneuter Installation der Antenne.
- Posidoniaist von Steuerbordseite gestört. Die Ursache ist noch nicht bekannt. Das System soll möglichst über die Backbordseite eingesetzt werden.

Der Test dauerte insgesamt 19 Stunden. Die beiden Transponder konnten mit Hilfe des Systems auch bei Nacht geborgen werden. Anschließend lief Polarstern Vigo an, wo ein Teil des Testteams am 31.10.02 abgesetzt wurde. Während der Fahrt von Bremerhaven bis Vigo wurden die Bordelektroniker auf dem System intensiv geschult. Eine Dokumentation zur Bedienung wurde erstellt. Die Bordelektroniker haben auch Posidonia nach Vigo selbständig erfolgreich eingesetzt.

### 1.3.2 Das neue E-Mailsystem

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Ein neues E-Mailsystem wurde durch die Firma WERUM für Polarstern entwickelt und installiert. Das neue System erlaubt es den Nutzern individuelle E-Mailadressen zu geben und diese getrennt abzurechnen. Jeder Fahrtteilnehmer erhält zwei eigene E-Mailadressen, eine private und eine dienstliche, über die er innerhalb und außerhalb von Polarstern erreichbar ist. Die E-Mailübertragung erfolgt über drei gebündelte Satellitenverbindungen pro Tag. Die übertragenen E-Mails sind kostenpflichtig sowohl für ausgehende als auch für eingehende Mails und müssen am Ende der Fahrt an Bord beim Funker bezahlt werden. Das Volumen einer E-Mail ist für private Nutzung auf 100 KByte und für dienstliche Nutzung auf 400 KByte beschränkt. Die Unterscheidung zwischen dienstlicher und privater E-Mail wird durch eine E-Mail-Namenserweiterung gekennzeichnet. So setzt sich die private E-Mail-Adresse aus <erster Buchstabe vom Vornamen><Nachname>.p und die dienstliche aus <erster Buchstabe vom Vornamen><Nachname>.d zusammen. Der Fahrtleiter erhält täglich eine Liste über die dienstlichen Mails der AWI-Mitarbeiter.

Das System bietet alle Vorteile und Eigenschaften eines Standardmailsystem an. Die Mail wird über zwei SUN VT 100 Server abgewickelt, die den Nutzern den Zugang von einer beliebigen Plattform über das bordinterne Intranet erlauben. Das System, inklusive der Hardware an Bord und in Bremerhaven, wurde bereits in Bremerhaven installiert, getestet und abgenommen. Eine Schulung der Systemverantwortlichen an Bord und auch am AWI hat in Bremerhaven stattgefunden. Während ANT-XX/1 wurde das System voll eingesetzt, kontrolliert und analysiert. Das System läuft stabil, sicher und erfüllt alle Randbedingungen gemäß des Pflichtenheftes. Es wurden jedoch noch

einige Systemfehler gefunden, die im Februar 2003 behoben werden sollen. Das Abrechnungsmodul bedarf der gründlichen Nachbesserung. Die Anforderungen hierzu wurden zusammengestellt und der Firma WERUM mitgeteilt.

### 1.3.3 Der neue Thermosalinograph SeaBird SBE 21

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Temperatur und Salzgehalt werden kontinuierlich mit zwei unabhängigen Thermosalinographen in zwei Wassertiefen gemessen. Einer befindet sich in etwa 5 m Tiefe im Bugstrahlraum und ist nur außerhalb des Eises nutzbar. Ein zweites Gerät ist in etwa 11 m Tiefe im Kastenkiel eingebaut, das auch während der Eisfahrt unverfälschte Daten liefert, die allerdings keine Meeresoberflächenwerte im engeren Sinne darstellen. Das alte System zeigte in der letzten Zeit ständig insbesondere nach der Kalibrierung technische Probleme auf. Somit war das Arbeiten mit dem System nicht mehr möglich, und es musste ausgetauscht werden.

Der Thermosalinograph im Kastenkiel wurde durch ein SBE 21 mit Externthermometer SBE 38 der Firma SeaBird nach Modifizierung ausgetauscht. Der Plastikbehälter des Original SBE 21 wurde durch Edelstahl ersetzt. Damit ist dieses Gerät zum Einbau unter der Wasserlinie geeignet. Hierzu wurden neue Edelstahlleitungen und eine Pumpe installiert. Das System wurde an das PODAS-System angeschlossen und während des Fahrtabschnitts mit dem Salinometer verglichen. Die Datenanalyse zeigt, dass das neue Gerät sehr präzise Daten liefert. Das zweite Gerät im Bugstrahlraum soll im Februar 2003 ebenfalls ausgetauscht werden.

# 1.4 Messung von Ozonverteilung, UV-Bestrahlungsstärke, optischer Dicke und UV-B-Dosimetrie

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Auf ANT-XX/1 wurden verschiedene Messungen durchgeführt, die zur Erforschung des stratosphärischen Ozonabbaus sowie der daraus resultierenden erhöhten solaren UV-B-Strahlung, des Strahlungstransfers in der Atmosphäre und Auswirkungen auf die Biosphäre dienen sollen. Um aussagekräftige Datensätze zu gewinnen, sind hier Untersuchungen über längere Zeiträume erforderlich. Die Meridionalschnittfahrten der Polarstern bieten die Möglichkeit, entsprechende Datensätze von der Nord- und Südhemisphäre zu erhalten. Die Daten der Ozonsondierungen werden auch zur Validierung der Instrumente auf dem ENVISAT-Satelliten eingesetzt.

### Ziele des Vorhabens sind:

- Untersuchung der jahreszeitabhängigen Ozonvariationen und der Profile zwischen 50 °N und 30 °S;
- Untersuchung der spektralen UV-Strahlungen (A + B) zwischen 290 400 nm und deren Transfer durch die Stratosphäre;
- Bestimmung der globalen UV-B-Dosis auf meridionalen Abschnitten zwischen Bremerhaven - Kapstadt - Bremerhaven unter Verwendung des elektronischen UV-B-Dosimeters ELUV-14 und des UV-B-Biometers;

- Bestimmung der maximalen UV-B-Tagesdosis in Abhängigkeit von der Sonnenhöhe und Ozonkonzentration;
- Untersuchung der Aerosolverteilung und deren Einfluss auf den Strahlungstransfer in die Atmosphäre.

### Das Arbeitsprogramm:

- Tägliche Durchführung von Ozonsondierungen zwischen 50 °N und 30 °S;
- Messung der spektralen UV-A und UV-B Bestrahlungsstärken mit dem AWI-Spektrometer;
- Direkte Messung der Erythem gewichteten UV-B-Bestrahlungsstärken und UV-B-Tagesdosen mit dem SOLAR LIGHT-Biometer 501 und dem ELUV-14-Dosimeter:
- Messung der optischen Dicken mit dem Sonnenphotometer Typ SP1A.

#### 1.4.1 Ozonsondierungen

Im Zeitraum vom 29.10.-21.11.02 wurde täglich gegen 9:30 UTC eine ECC-Ozonsonde gestartet und somit ein Ozonprofil und der Gesamtozongehalt bis zu 35 km Höhe bestimmt. Es wurden insgesamt 29 Ozonsonden gestartet. Jedoch waren nur 23 davon auswertbar. Durch einen Programmabsturz und Ausfall der Hauptanlage (Digi-Cora) konnte am 07.11.02 keine Ozonsondierung stattfinden. Die Anlage wurde schnell repariert und somit konnte das Programm fortgesetzt werden.

Große Variationen des Ozonprofils wurden im Norden beobachtet. Im Süden hingegen zeigten die Ozonprofile stabile Verhältnisse mit gut ausgeprägtem Maxima bei ca. 26 km. Gesamtozonkonzentrationen nahmen von 50 °N bis ca. 23 °N stetig ab (330 bis 250 DU). Ab 23 °N bis 30 °S stieg das Gesamtozon stetig an und erreichte die 300 DU wieder. In Tabelle 1.4.1 sind die Ergebnisse der Ozonsondierungen zusammengefasst. Abbildung 1.4.1 zeigt den Gesamtozonverlauf. Die totalen Ozonkonzentrationen für die jeweilige tägliche Position, bei der die Sonne im Zenith stand, wurden von der TOMS-Datenbank via AWI geholt und zum Vergleich der Messungen verwendet (Abb. 1.4.1).

Date S	tart Time	Latitude	Longitude	Max.Height	Ozone	Ozone	Ozone M	lax. Sun
	[UTC]	[deg]	[deg]	[m] N	leasured	Residual	Total E	levation
					[DU]	[DU]	[DU]	[°]
29.10.2002	10:36	46.49	-7.89	32471	280.9	49.1	330	30.6
30.10.2002	09:37	43.21	-11.28	33808	281.28	36.14	317	33
31.10.2002	09:32	42.33	-9.33	28363	205.2	85	290	33.7
01.11.2002	13:13	38.71	-11.69	33744	245	38	282	36.9
02.11,2002	09:34	34.82	-14.08	33768	227.73	38.58	266	40.9
03.11.2002	09:33	30.33	-14.94	33961	221.79	36.92	259	45.1
04.11.2002	09:37	26.46	-17.01	34734	240.31	34.56	275	48.5
05.11.2002	09:34	23.19	-20.06	32278	209.26	46.47	256	51.2
06.11.2002	09:31	20.58	-21.14	28005	174.35	96.97	271	54.2
07.11.2002		15.00	-21.04					58.8
08.11.2002	09:31	11.67	-20.60	32044	219.89	65.09	285	62.1
09.11.2002	9:35	8.55	-17.94	34466	243.48	45.05	289	65.1
10.11.2002	09:34	5.07	-15.33	32954	215	61.38	276	68.4
11.11.2002	09:32	1.42	-12.37	33385	231.42	58.23	290	71.6
12.11.2002	09:32	-1.85	-9.67	31975	213.44	77.87	291	74.3

Date S	Start Time	Latitude	Longitude	Max.Height	Ozone	Ozone	Ozone M	ax. Sun
	[UTC]	[deg]	[deg]	[m] N	leasured	Residual	Total E	levation
					[DU]	[DU]	[DU]	[°]
13.11.2002	09:33	-4.05	-7.87	32560	222,59	60.52	283	76.4
14.11.2002	09:32	-7.50	~5.02	32881	227.11	58.54	286	79.7
15.11.2002	09:34	-11.09	-2.04	32537	228.92	63.99	293	82.9
16.11.2002	09:41	-14.55	-0.86	31204	219.83	78.9	299	86
17.11.2002	09:30	-18.25	4.03	31871	230.35	65.01	295	89.2
18.11.2002	09:31	-20.43	-5.92	32068	229.96	63.83	294	89.2
19.11.2002	09:33	-23.98	-9.03	33502	241.98	48.44	290	85.3
20.11.2002	09:33	-27.47	-12.22	32864	240.35	53.57	294	82.1
21.11.2002	09:30	-31.01	15.52	33095	257.97	54.99	313	78.5

Tab. 1.4.1: Zusammenstellung der Ergebnisse der Ozonsondierungen.

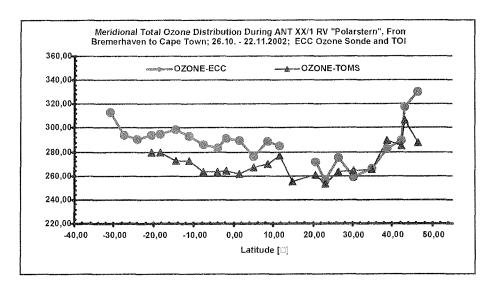


Abb.1.4.1: Gesamtozonverteilung während ANT-XX/1.

### 1.4.2 UV-Messungen und UV-B-Dosimetrie

Die spektralen UV-B- und UV-A-Bestrahlungsstärken wurden täglich mit dem modifizierten AWI-Spektrometer Land 5 gemessen. Dabei wurden alle fünf Minuten Spektren zwischen 280 und 322 nm sowie im UV-A-Bereich zwischen 305 und 400 nm aufgezeichnet. Die Daten wurden vor Ort auf ihre Qualität überprüft und bearbeitet. Dabei wurden Integrale zur Berechnung der UV-B-Dosis gebildet und mit den Ergebnissen anderer Dosimeter verglichen.

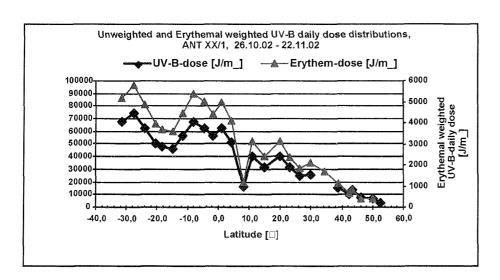
Die Spektraldaten dienen als Basis zur Erstellung von Langzeitmessreihen und zur Berechnung aller abgeleiteten Größen sowie zur Kalibrierung des verwendeten Messsystems. Durch einen Defekt am Kühler des Spektrometers konnten am 02.11.02 keine UV-Daten gewonnen werden. Ein Ersatzkühlsystem wurde von der Besatzung

(Maschine) gebaut und erfolgreich eingesetzt. Dadurch konnte das Messprogramm bis zu Ende durchgeführt werden. Die Dosismessungen wurden vom 28.10.-21.11.2002 wie folgt durchgeführt:

Täglich wurden zwei elektronische Dosimeter (Eluv-14) exponiert, die zeitaufgelöst die gewichtete UV-B-Strahlungsleistung jede Minute aufzeichnen. Sie wurden täglich ausgelesen und ausgewertet, ebenso wie die Daten des Biometers. Tagesverlauf und Tagesdosis wurden bestimmt.

UV-Messungen am Boden sind vom Bedeckungsgrad des Himmels durch Wolken stark abhängig. Um die absolute Strahlungsintensität bestimmen zu können, muss der Himmel wolkenfrei sein. Die Tatsache, dass man während der Reise einige bewölkte Tage vorfinden wird, wurde bei der Planung der Reise berücksichtigt. Die Messergebnisse sind in der Tabelle 1.4.2 zusammengefasst.

Während der Reise gab es auch dieses Mal nur wenige wolkenfreie Tage. Dadurch sind die erhofften Ziele nicht erreicht worden. Die aufgezeichnete Dosisverteilung war



**Abb. 1.4.2:** Verlauf der ungewichteten (Spektrometer), und Erythem-gewichteten (Biometer) UV-B-Strahlung während ANT XX/1

von der starken Bewölkung geprägt und somit war eine Aussage über die absolute Verteilung nicht möglich (Abb. 1.4.2). Die Daten von mehreren Expeditionen werden zusammenlegt, um die absolute Verteilung interpolieren zu können.

Die ermittelten Tagesdosen der ungewichteten UV-B-Strahlung lagen zwischen 4100 und 74685 J m $^{-2}$ . Die Erythem-gewichteten Dosen lagen dagegen zwischen 424 und 5800 J m $^{-2}$ . Dies entspricht 2 bis 27.6 MED (Minimal Erythemal Dose = 210 J m $^{-2}$ ). Die maximal von 290 bis 322 nm integrierte Strahlungsleistung lag bei 3.5 W m $^{-2}$  für die ungewichtete und bei 281 mW m $^{-2}$  für die Erythem-gewichtete Strahlung.

Date	Latitude	Longitude	UV-B-dose	Erythemal	Erythemal	Ozone	Max.Sun
	[deg]	[deg]		Dose [J/m²]	Dose [MED]	[DU]	Elevation [°]
		_	-				
27.10.2002	52.1	2.9	4083.925				25.2
28.10.2002	50.0	-3.0	6972.074	431.970	2.057		26.9
29.10.2002	46.0	-8.4	7310.543	423.990	2.019	330	30.6
30.10.2002	43.2	-11.3	13260.813	829.080	3.948	317	33
31.10.2002	42.2	-8.9	10554.676	680.820	3.242	290	33.7
01.11.2002	38.7	-11.7	15306.902	1127.280	5.368	282	36.9
02.11.2002	34.4	-14.2		1714.860	8.166	266	40.9
03.11.2002	29.9	-15.1	26063.071	2107.560	10.036	259	45.1
04.11.2002	26.2	-17.5	25205.405	1833.510	8.731	275	48.5
05.11.2002	23.2	-20.1	31332.768	2335.200	11.120	256	51.2
06.11.2002	19.8	-21.2	40228.359	3127.529	14.893	271	54.2
07.11.2002	15.0	-21.0	31538.188	2384.759	11.356		58.8
08.11.2002	11.0	-20.0	39930.308	3135.089	14.929	285	62.1
09.11.2002	8.1	-17.7	16209.014	1181.880	5.628	289	65.1
10.11.2002	4.5	-14.9	51083.668	4091.220	19.482	276	68.4
11.11.2002	1.1	-12.1	62276.092	4959.361	23.616	290	71.6
12.11.2002	-1.8	-9.7	56102.435	4419.030	21.043	291	74.3
13.11.2002	-4.5	-7.5	62481.930	5036.849	23.985	283	76.4
14.11.2002	-8.0	-4.7	67788.379	5398.680	25.708	286	79.7
15.11.2002	-11.5	-1.7	56543.961	4456.618	21.222	293	82.9
16.11.2002	-14.8	1.1	45772.801	3575.880	17.028	299	86.0
17.11.2002	-18.3	4.1	48081.527	3697.260	17.606	295	89.2
18.11.2002	-20.7	6.1	50688.303	3926.370	18.697	294	89.2
19.11.2002	-24.1	9.2	62704.463	4857.931	23.133	290	85.3
20.11.2002	-27.6	12.3	74684.168	5807,339	27.654	294	82.1
21.11.2002	-31.4	15.9	67862.491	3813.444	18.159	313	78.5

**Tab. 1.4.2:** Zusammenstellung der Ergebnisse der UV-Messungen.

## 1.4.3 Sonnenphotometermessungen zur Bestimmung der aerosoloptischen Dicke

Als Teil der atmosphärischen Spurenstoff- und Strahlungsmessungen wurden Messungen mit einem Sonnenphotometer vom Typ SP1A durchgeführt. Ziel war es, die meridionale Verteilung des gesamtatmosphärischen Aerosols zu ermitteln. Weiterhin sind diese Messungen eine wichtige Ergänzung zu den UV-Messungen, die mit Dosimetern und einem UV-Spektrometer durchgeführt wurden. Jedoch sind die Photometermessungen an günstige Wetterbedingungen, vor allem wolkenfreien Himmel im Sonnenbereich, gebunden. Aufgrund der etwas ungünstigen Witterungsbedingungen war eine kontinuierliche Durchführung der Messungen nicht möglich. Ein Gerätedefekt verursachte einen zusätzlichen Messausfall von vier Tagen. Messungen der spektralen optischen Dicke liegen für folgende Tage vor: 30.10., 01.11., 02.11., 03.11., 06.11., 08.11., 15.11., 18.11. sowie am 20.11.2002.

Die Abb. 1.4.3 zeigt eine vorläufige Auswertung des meridionalen Verlaufs der optischen Dicke für zwei ausgewählte spektrale Wellenlängen. Das Verhältnis zwischen dem kurzwelligen Kanal und dem langwelligen Kanal lässt Rückschlüsse auf die

Korngrößenverteilung zu. Dieses Verhältnis ändert sich stark von Nord nach Süd. Auffällig sind auch die vergleichsweise geringen optischen Dicken auf der Nordhalbkugel. Die extrem hohen optischen Dicken nahe der ITC waren jedoch zu erwarten und sind auch schon bei früheren Experimenten gemessen worden. Unerwartet ist jedoch die hohe Aerosolkonzentration auf der Südhalbkugel. Frühere Experimente zeigten ein genau umgekehrtes Verhältnis der Aerosolkonzentration zwischen Nord- und Südhalbkugel. Die Ergebnisse dieser Messkampagne sind Ziel weiterer Untersuchungen und auch Bestandteil einer Diplomarbeit. Die Messungen fließen zusätzlich in die Auswertungen anderer Messreihen, wie z.B. UV-Dosimeter, mit ein.

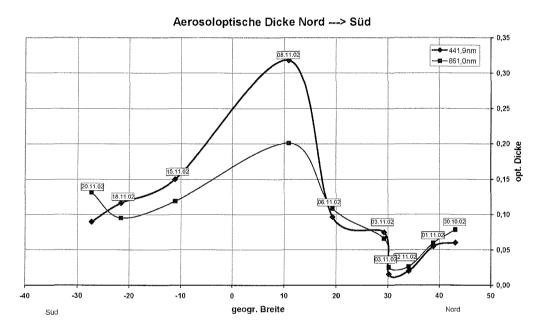


Abb. 1.4.3: Verlauf der aerosoloptischen Dicke, ANT-XX/1.

### 1.5 Atmosphärenchemische Untersuchungen

# 1.5.1 Measurements of atmospheric trace gases for the validation of the SCIAMACHY instrument on board the ENVISAT satellite.

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Trace gas measurements by groundbased Fourier transform infrared (FTIR) spectroscopy were performed during the cruise. We have recorded absorption spectra, using the sun as light source. For this purpose, the FTIR spectrometer was located inside a container on the observation deck, with a solar tracker on top of the container in order to reflect the sunlight into the container and the instrument. The instrument is capable to record spectra with a maximum resolution of 0.005 cm<sup>-1</sup>. However, to record such high resolution spectra, very stable weather conditions are needed. Such conditions were

available on 7 days, while on 5 other days measurements were limited to lower resolution spectra (see Tab. 1.5.1). On other days measurements were prevented by dense cloud fields.

The analysis of the data will be performed after the cruise. The total column densities of more than 20 trace gases, including  $O_3$ , HCl,  $HCO_3$ ,  $NO_2$ , CO,  $C_2H_2$ ,  $C_2H_6$ ,  $CH_2O$ , HCN and OCS will be retrieved from these data. Additionally, from high resolution spectra, height resolved information can be retrieved for some trace gases, leading to profiles with a resolution of 6-8 km.

The data of some of these trace gases (e.g. CO,  $O_3$ ,  $NO_2$ ) will be used for the validation of the Sciamachy instrument on the Envisat satellite. Especially the measurements in the tropical regions are of interest for this validation, since there are only few measuring sites at these latitudes. The data will also be interpreted in comparison with cruise data obtained in October 1996 (Bremerhaven-Punta Quilla) and December 1999 (Bremerhaven-Capetown). Also here, the measurements in the tropics are of special interest.

The upper troposphere in the tropical regions represents the reservoir for gases entering the stratosphere, and is therefore of high interest for stratospheric research. Former ship based measurements in this region have implied that trace gases originating predominantly in biomass burning in the African and South American continents were enhanced in the upper tropical troposphere. It is thus likely that the biomass burning has an influence on the stratospheric composition. With the high number of measurements in the tropical regions obtained during this cruise, we are looking forward to bring new insights in the composition of the tropical free troposphere.

Date	Latitude	Longitude	Data
02.11.2002	35 N	14 W	High resolution
03.11.2002	30 N	15 W	Low resolution
06.11.2002	20 N	21 W	High resolution
07.11.2002	15 N	21 W	Low resolution
08.11.2002	11 N	20 W	High resolution
10.11.2002	5 N	15 W	Low resolution
11.11.2002	1 N	12 W	High resolution
12.11.2002	2 S	10 W	Low resolution
13,11,2002	4 S	8 W	High resolution
14.11.2002	8 S	5 W	Low/high resolution
19.11.2002	24 S	9 🔾	Low resolution
20.11.2002	28 S	12 0	High resolution

Tab. 1.5.1: Days on which measurements were possible due to stable sunny weather conditions.

#### 1.5.2 DOAS Experiment

B. Hemmerling

Das Institut für Umweltphysik in Heidelberg hat dieses Jahr wieder ein DOAS Experiment an Bord mit Hilfe dessen diverse Spurengase identifiziert und Konzentrationsverteilungen in der Atmosphäre gemessen werden. Dafür werden Sonnenlichtspektren auf Absorptionscharakteristika untersucht. Mit dieser Methode ist es möglich, zwischen den troposphärischen und stratosphärischen Spurengasen zu trennen. Dabei

handelt es sich zum einen um  $NO_2$ ,  $H_2O$ , HCHO, JO und  $SO_2$ . In der Stratosphäre hingegen werden beispielsweise Dichteverteilungen von  $O_3$ ,  $NO_2$ , BrO, OCIO,  $H_2O$ , HCHO,  $O_4$  und JO untersucht.

Aufgrund der unterschiedlichen Wellenlängenbereiche, in denen die Gase Licht absorbieren, werden für diese Messungen zwei getrennte Spektographen benötigt. Der eine deckt den UV-Bereich von 300-400 nm ab, der andere den sichtbaren Bereich von 400-700 nm. Beide Apparaturen bestehen aus Teleskopen, die an einem der beiden Spektographen, welche wiederum an einem CCD-Detektor, angeschlossen sind. Die so erhaltenen Spektren werden dann zur späteren Analyse auf einem Rechner gespeichert. In der Nacht werden die Spektographen über bekannte Spektren von Halogenlampen kalibriert.

Kurz nach dem Auslaufen aus Bremerhaven gab es kleinere Sturmschäden an dem Gerät. Diese konnte aber behoben und die Messung die nächsten beiden Wochen ohne Probleme durchgeführt werden. In tropischen Breiten kam als zusätzliche Schwierigkeit die enorme Hitze zum Tragen, was zum Ausfall des Gerätes für einen halben Tag führte. Der Rest der Reise verlief sehr zufriedenstellend.

Die anschließende Analyse der Daten wird genutzt, um die Zusammensetzung der Atmosphäre, die Luftverschmutzung über dem Atlantik und der Antarktis zu untersuchen. Die hier vorgenommenen Messungen haben einen besonderen Stellenwert, da insbesondere in den Tropen nur wenige derartige Messungen stattgefunden haben. Mit Hilfe dieser Daten soll das SCIAMACHY-Instrument des ENVISAT Satelliten validiert werden.

### 1.5.3 Marine sources of reactive organo-iodines and bromines D. Wevill

The aim of this project was to investigate the sources of reactive halogen radicals such as IO and BrO. Air monitoring was carried out using an automated Perkin Elmer Turbomass GC-MS. The sampling interval was ~70 min and the instrument was running 24 h a day excluding blanks and calibrations. Of the 13 species monitored only nine were detected so far (will be measuring for the next two legs of the cruise). The species not detected were the very shortlived compounds which last only 5-20 min at noon, and as these species are produced mainly by coastal algae (seaweeds) it is unlikely they would persist long enough to be measured.

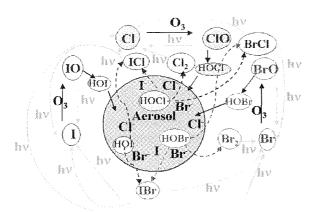
Later it is hoped that a combination of our data with aerosol data measured by the Atmospheric Physics group, UMIST, will help to evaluate the importance of organic bromine to tropospheric BrO formation.

Continuous CO measurements were also taken during the cruise with an Aerolaser instrument and showed the expected drop in concentration once we had passed Europe. Bottle samples were taken each day around noon UCT for post analysis of non-methane hydrocarbons.

### 1.5.4 Marine sources of reactive halogen species P.I. Williams

UMIST, in association with several other universities, was on board the Polarstern on the first stage of the three-leg voyage starting in Bremerhaven on the 26<sup>th</sup> of October 2002. The goal of the experiment was to study the surface-sea exchange of Iodocarbons, the formation by photochemistry to halogen containing species and the interaction with ozone and the marine aerosols. The NERC funded project (a UK government funding agency) was entitled "Global Marine Sources of Reactive Halogen Species".

McFiggans et al. (2000) have speculated that reactive halogen species can cause ozone destruction in the marine boundary layer and other studies have shown that up to 1.5 % of available ozone per hour can be destroyed by iodine initiated ozone destruction cycles at levels of IO measured in the MBL. Furthermore, previous expeditions by Polasrstern have shown that bromine and iodine are found more widely than first thought. Through a proposed reaction of precursor gases emitted by marine algae with sunlight and processing by marine aerosol, it is suggested that there may be an amplification effect of halogen containing species in the marine environment that could increase the expected levels of ozone destruction. A simplified schematic of this process is shown in Figure 1.5.1. Measurements of the precursor gases and other traces gases, and some of the iodine and bromine species were made during the Polarstern research cruise (October-November 2002) in collaboration with the Universities of Leeds, York and Vienna, as well as the aerosol size and number distributions. UMIST' involvement was to monitor the aerosol size and number distributions, and hence aerosol surface area.



Gases emitted by algae in the sea CH,I,, CH,IBr, CH,I, CH,IBr, CH,I, CH,IBr,CHBr,

**Fig. 1.5.1:** Coupled reactive gaseous halogen cycling scheme (simplified) through marine aerosol and possible pathway for subsequent ozone destruction.

Methods

The aerosol size and number distributions were measured using two instruments. The first was a TSI Scanning Particle Sizer (SMPS Model 3080). This is a comercial instrument that can monitor the aerosol size distributions from 4 to approximately 1000 nm, depending on the configuration used. For this experiment, the SMPS was operated with a long DMA (TSI Model 3081) and was set to scan every 5 min from ~20 nm up to ~900 nm. A second instrument, an Airborne Droplet Analyser (Model ADA-100, TSI Inc) was used to monitor aerosol and spray droplets with a D<sub>p</sub> >1  $\mu$ m up to 200  $\mu$ m. This instrument is primarily designed for liquid drops and hence the data is currently being validated.

Other instruments used included a mass spectrometer (MS) for the gaseous precursors emitted by marine algae, which was operated by the University of York. Water samples were also collected at intervals for analysis, but the sensitivity of the MS instrument was shown to be too low to detect the species of interest in this study. CO and gas bottle samples were also collected for post analysis by the University of Leeds. Iodine and bromine species were measured directly by a DOAS system operated by the University of Vienna.

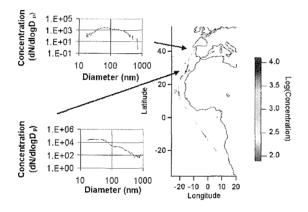


Fig. 1.5.2: Log of the concentration of the total number concentration ( $D_p < 1 \mu m$ ) and examples of aerosol number distributions from clean marine air (top) and polluted air (bottom).

#### Initial Results

Figure 1.5.2 shows a sample of the results collected from the cruise. The total number concentration for sub-micron aerosol is highly dependent on air mass trajectory. That is to say whether the air mass has interacted with anthropogenic sources of aerosol, such as biomass burning or industrialised regions. In the examples shown, the back trajectories (covering a five day period) for the air mass arriving near the Portuguese coast were mid Atlantic in origin and was extremely clean (top distribution in Fig. 1.5.2). For the air mass arriving at the Canary Islands, the trajectory revealed that it had recently moved off the Atlantic, intercepted the coast of North Africa and then reversed direction retracing its trajectory over the Atlantic. From the context of the scientific objectives discussed above, it is the remote unperturbed background air-masses that are of interest. So far, periods from the 30<sup>th</sup> Oct to 2<sup>nd</sup> of Nov and 9<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> Nov have

been identified as possible sources of very clean, marine air. These periods will be used to concentrate analysis on for the purposes of modelling processes to assess the potential effects on ozone levels in the marine boundary layer.

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# 1.6 Latitudinal distribution and air-sea exchange of persistent organic pollutants: measurements and modelling

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Persistent organic pollutants (POPs) include several different chemical classes. Examples include polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), chlorinated pesticides (e.g. HCH), polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDEs) and fluorinated compounds (PFOS). Each has different atmospheric sources and different properties which control their persistence in the environment and their air-sea exchange processes. Analysis of different classes of compounds will provide "clues" about the environmental processes influences the fate of these chemicals.

During this cruise, we hoped to investigate the influences of air mass origins, air sea exchange, phytoplankton uptake and sinking fluxes of organic matter have on prevailing POP concentrations. Simultaneous air and seawater samples from Europe to South Africa were taken.

For water samples, continuous surface water samples at 11 m depth where taken from the ship's inlet system. This water was analysed for chlorophyll, POC, Th<sup>234</sup>. Also a total of eight PAD columns where exposed to an average of 600 L of seawater for POP analysis. Another five extraction columns (XAD-7) were exposed to 200 L of seawater for PFOS. Beginning on Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, there were 20 stations where water was taken for HCH analysis. At each station 20 L of water samples were taken from the surface (11 m) and 300 m depth. In addition, there were three deep water stations. These were located at 23°11.8'N / 20°3.5'W; 1°50.79'S / 9°40.69'W and 18°14.94'S / 4°1.88'E. Water samples were taken at the surface and five additional depths throughout the water column. These depths were 100 m above bottom, 3000 m, 1200 m, 300 m and 70 m. At these long stations, a comparison of water sampling for POPs was performed by running two simultaneous columns for 10 hr. One column had water from the ship's inline sampling system and the other bypassed the ship entirely. From the bow of the ship, a second sampling system (column and *in-situ* pump) was lowered a depth of 9 m.

Daily air samples were taken from high volume samples for POPs if wind direction was favourable. During most of the cruise, we experienced southeasterly winds, which were very good for air sampling as wind was directly in front of the ship. We only lost a few days due to northerly trade winds. The sampling times ranged from 11 to 20 hr for the PUF samplers and on average 48 hr for XAD-PUF samples. These samples will be

analysed for a PCBs, PAHs, PBDEs, HCHs, PFOS and selected pesticides later in the laboratory.

#### 1.7 Zooplankton investigations

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Intensive studies on different aspects of the life cycle of zooplankton were carried out during the last two decades in the polar seas. The data provides a comprehensive picture of biochemical adaptations and various strategies of mainly copepods and euphausiids to the distinct seasonality at high latitudes. However, studies at low latitudes are rare. Thus, a transect over the Atlantic was sampled during the cruise from Bremerhaven to Capetown which aimed to fill in these gaps.

Zooplankton research activities concentrated on three major objectives:

- Large scale geographical variation of mesozooplankton community distributions in relation to water mass distribution, including genetic variability of calanoid copepods
- Reproduction of calanoid copepods
- Lipidbiochemistry of zooplankton

Work at sea and preliminary results

Between 39 °N and 27 °S zooplankton sampling was carried out at 20 stations. Quantitative samples were collected at each station with a multiple opening-closing net (Multinet) of  $0.25~\text{m}^2$  mouth area equipped with four nets of 150 µm mesh size. Daytime vertical hauls were conducted down to 300 m covering standard depth intervals of 300-200-100-50-0 m. Additionally a larger 150 µm multinet of 0.5 m² mouth opening with nine nets was employed at six stations for a more detailed vertical solution. A CTD cast was run at every station before the multinet hauls. All quantitative samples were preserved in 4% borax-buffered formalin for later analyses of species composition and abundance.

Preliminary results are based on quick on-board inspection of the material. Regional differences were evident, and species composition differed greatly between stations. The vertical distribution was characterized by highest concentrations in the warm surface layer. Copepods were the overall most abundant group. Their significance decreased with depth. Within the copepods a depth dependent distribution of dominant species was evident. *Undinula vulgaris* dominated in the surface followed by *Nannocalanus minor* in the subsurface to about 50 m. Just below the thermocline, the large-sized herbivorous copepod species *Neocalanus robustior* and *N. gracilis* predominated whereas omnivorous and carnivorous copepods and euphausiids, amphipods, ostracods and chaetognaths occurred below (Fig. 1.7.1).

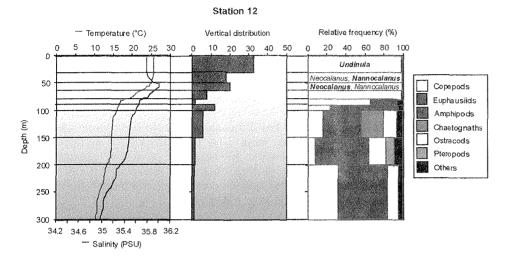


Fig. 1.7.1: Vertical profiles of temperature and salinity; vertical zooplankton distribution as percentage and relative composition at St. 12

For lipid, gonad and molecular genetic analyses live animals were collected by oblique RMT and vertical Bongo net hauls (300  $\mu$ m mesh size). The hauling depth was generally 300 m and in addition, at two most southerly stations the Bongo net was towed down to 500 m. Immediately after capture the samples were sorted if possible to species or genus level, the copepods also to sexes and developmental stages. For later molecular genetic analyses 763 individuals of four calanoid families and 18 species were deep frozen at -80 °C (Tab. 1.7.1).

A total of 851 female calanoid copepods (42 species, Tab. 1.7.2) were preserved in 1 % para-formaldehyde and 1.5 % glutaraldehyde buffered with sodium cacodylate for histological analysis of gonad structure and oogenesis. To facilitate the penetration of the fixation solution, the antenae and the limbs were removed. Until further processing which will take place in the home lab, the samples are stored at  $4 \, ^{\circ}$ C.

1232 individuals from the RMT and 5185 from the Bongo net were frozen at -80 °C for later analyzing their lipid content and fatty acid composition (Tab. 1.7.3 a,b). From some organisms the extracts for the lipid analysis were already carried out on board. Samples were homogenized in dichloromethane :methanol (2:1 by vol.). Lipids were separated from the non-lipid fraction by adding aqueous KCI solution in a separating funnel. The water phase was re-extracted two times with dichloromethane. The lipid extracts were combined and solvent reduced under a stream of nitrogen. Samples were stored in glass vial at -80 °C until detailed lipid analyses in the home lab (Tab. 1.7.4).

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North	South
Family Calanidae	
Neocalanus robustior female 30	40
N. robustior CV 10	0
N. gracilis female 50	100
N. gracilis CV 30	0
N. gracilis CIV 10	0
Nannocalanus minor female 80	70
N. minor CV 10	0
Mesocalanus tenuicornis female 30	40
Undinula vulgaris female 40	30
Calanoides carinatus female 0	3
Calanus sp. female 0	3 2 2
Calanus sp. male 0	2
Family Eucalanidae	
Rhincalanus nasutus female 0	10
R. cornutus female 0	10
Subeucalanus subtenuis female 0	10
Pareucalanus sewelli female 0	10
Familiy Metridinidae	
Pleuromamma xiphias female 0	10
P. xiphias CV 10	0
P. abdominalis female 10	20
P. borealis female 10	10
P. gracilis female 10	0
P. piseki female 20	10
P. quadrungulata female 0	10
Family Augaptilidae	
Haloptilus spiniceps female 3	3
H. spiniceps CV 2	3

**Table 1.7.1:** List of calanoid copepod species and number of individuals preserved for genetic analyses north and south of the equator

Family Calanidae	Family Arietellidae
Mesocalanus tenuicornis	Arietellus aculeatus
Nannoclanaus minor	
Neocalanus gracilis	Family Augaptilidae
N. robustior	Haloptilus oxycephalus
Undinula vulgaris	H. spinifrons
-	H. spiniceps
Family Eucalanidae	• •
Pareucalanus sewelli	Family Heterorhabdidae
Subeucalanus subtenuis	Heterorhabdus spinifer
Eucalanus hyalinus	H. spinifrons
Rhincalanus cornutus	•
	Family Metridinidae
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-	Pleuromamma abdominalis
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Clausocalanus furcatus C. mastigophorus	Pleuromamma abdominalis P. borealis P. gracilis P. piseki
Clausocalanus furcatus C. mastigophorus C. ingens	Pleuromamma abdominalis P. borealis P. gracilis P. piseki P. quadrungulata
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Family Euchaetidae Euchaeta marina

E. media

Candacia ethiopica Paracandacia bispinosa

Family Candaciidae

Family Phaennidae

Family Pontellidae Pontellina plumata Labidocera acutifrons

Phaenna spinifera

Family Scolecithrichidae Scolecithrix bradyi S. danae

Lophothrix latipes

**Table 1.7.2:** Calanoid copepod species of which females were preserved for histological analysis of gonad structure and oogenesis.

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P. armatus 0	3	
Amphithyrus sp. 4	0	

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Oxycephalus sp.	9	6
Viblia sp.	2	60
Eupronoe sp.	2 3	2
E. maculata	0	2 2
Cytisoma sp.	1	1
C. longipes	0 3 2 0	1
Streetsia sp.	3	14
Parapronoe sp.	2	9
Eusirella multicalceola		2
Paraphronima gracillis	0	2 1
Scina sp.	0	5
Primno sp.	0	5 2 1
Synopia scheelana	0	1
Pronoe capito	0	1
Euphausiacea		
Meganycthipanes norvegica	2	0
Euphausia sp.	7	8
E. lucens	167	0
E. gibboides	0	44
E. longirostris	1	0
E. tenera	0	2 2 1
E. pseudogibba	0	2
Stylocheiron sp.	3	1
S. elongatum	0	3
S. robustum	16	0
S. carinatum	0	55
Thysanopoda tricuspidata	8	4
T. monacantha	0	2
Nematobranchion sexspinosum	4	0
Thysanoessa sp.	3	5
Decapoda (Shrimp)	8	8
Chaetognata		
Sagitta sp.	29	5
Pyrosomatidae		
Pyrosoma ovatum	14	0
Salpida		
Weelia cylindrica	10	0

 Table 1.7.3a:
 Species and number of individuals from the RMT preserved for lipid analyses north and south the equator.

	North	South
Copepoda		
Family Calanidae		
Neocalanus robustior female	41 (2)	169 (3)
N. gracilis female	85 (3)	238 (2)
N. gracilis male	0 `	99 (6)
N. gracilis CV	31 (1)	266 (7)
Nannocalanus minor female	550 (8)	500 (5)
N. minor male	184 (4)	312 (5)
N. minor CV	60 (2)	0 ` ′
Mesocalanus tenuicornis female	80 (2)	89 (2)
Undinula vulgaris female	230 (5)	130 (3)
U. vulgaris male	175 (4)	102 (3)
Calanoides acrinatus CV	0	17 (1)
Family Eucalanidae		. ,
Pareucalanus sewelli female	95 (4)	0
Eucalanus hyalinus female	0	41 (2)
Subeucalanus longiceps CV	0	19 (2)

	North	South
S. subtenuis female	76 (2)	170 (2)
Rhincalanus cornutus CV	0	40 (1)
Family Clausocalanidae		
Clausocalanus furcatus female	150 (2)	200 (1)
Family Euchaetidae		
Euchaeta marina female	110 (4)	110 (2)
Family Scolecitrichidae		
Scolecithrix danae female	163 (6)	90 (2)
Family Arietellidae		
Arietellus aculeatus female	7 (1)	90 (2)
Family Metridinidae		
Pleuromamma borealis female	100 (1)	100 (1)
P. gracilis female	50 (1)	0
P. piseki female	40 (1)	60 (1)
P. abdominalis female	0	50 (1)
P. quadrungulata female	0	20 (1)
Family Pontillidae		
Labidocera acutifrons male	6 (1)	0
Family Sapphirinidae		
Sapphirina iris male	0	40 (1)

**Tab. 1.7.3b:** Copepod species and number of individuals from the Bongo preserved for lipid analyses north and south the equator (number in brackets = number of stations).

Species	Number	Length (mm)
Euphausia lucens	9	18
Pyrosoma ovatium	20	9
Decapode (Shrimp)	1	64
Lensia sp.	100	13
Decapode (Shrimp)	1	30
Eupausia gibboides	5	28
Pterotrachea hippocampus	1	90
Mysidaceae	10	24

Table 1.7.4: Species with standard length, and number of extracted specimens.

### 1.8 Stationsliste / Station list

Station	Date	Time (UTC)	Latitude	Longitude	Depth	Gear Abbreviation
		Start End		_	[m]	
001	01.11.02	07:51 10:24	38° 60' N	11° 30' W	3638	RMT, CTD, MN, BO
002	02.11.02	07:39 10:21	34° 50' N	14° 06' W	3940	RMT, BO, CTD, MN, BO
003	03.11.02	07:38 09:36	30° 19' N	14° 56' W	3138	RMT, BO, CTD, MN, BO
004	04.11.02	07:44 09:55	26° 27' N	17° 01' W	3606	RMT, BO, CTD, MN, BO
005	05.11.02	07:32 13:23	23° 12' N	20° 04' W	3977	RMT, BO, MN, CTD, MN, BO
006	06.11.02	07:36 09:37	20° 34' N	21° 09' W	4026	RMT, BO, CTD, MN, BO
007	07.11.02	07:35 10:17	′ 15° 28′ N	21° 09' W	4058	RMT, BO, CTD, MN
800	08.11.02	07:36 09:05	11° 39' N	20° 09' W	4861	RMT, BO, CTD, MN
009	09.11.02	07:37 09:47	8° 32' N	17° 57' W	4432	RMT, BO, CTD, MN
010	10.11.02	07:37 09:04	5° 05' N	15° 21' W	4914	RMT, BO, CTD, MN
011	11.11.02	07:39 09:36	1° 26' N	12° 22' W	4620	RMT, BO, CTD, MN, BO
012	12.11.02	07:37 12:37	1° 51' S	9° 41' W	4082	RMT, ISP, BO, MN, CTD, BO, MN
013	13.11.02	07:37 09:36	4° 02' S	7° 53' W	4151	RMT, BO, CTD, MN, BO
014	14.11.02	07:40 09:15	7° 30' S	5° 02' W	4318	RMT, BO, CTD, MN
015	15.11.02	07:38 09:54	11° 06' S	2° 03' W	4960	RMT, BO, CTD, MN
016	16.11.02	07:41 12:16	14° 31' S	0° 50' E	4907	RMT, BO, RMT, BO,CTD, MN
017	17.11.02	07:38 13:55	18° 15' S	4° 01' E	5428	RMT, ISP, BO, MN, CTD, BO, MN
018	18.11.02	07:38 09:33	20° 26' S	5° 54' E	4472	RMT, BO, CTD, MN, BO
019	19.11.02	07:43 09:36	23° 58' S	9° 02' E	4596	RMT, BO, CTD, MN, BO
020	20.11.02	07:52 09:39	27° 28' S	12° 13' E	4094	RMT, BO, CTD, MN, BO

RMT = Rectangular midwater trawl

ISP = In situ pump

BO = Bongo net

MN = Multiple net

CTD probe

# The Expedition ANTARKTIS-XX/2 Cape Town - Cape Town November 24, 2002 to January 23, 2003

# **2.1** Summary and itinerary Dieter K. Fütterer

The second leg of RV Polarstern expedition ANT-XX was devoted to a multi-disciplinary research programme in the eastern Weddell Sea and Riiser Larsen Sea. It focussed on oceanographical, geochemical and sedimentological projects carried out along two transects, from north to south along the Prime Meridian and from south to north along 23° longitude east (Fig. 2.1-1). Apart from the scientific programme, the - as early as possible in the season - supply of Neumayer and Kohnen stations and the logistic support of AWI polar aircrafts as well as research projects at Neumayer played an important role on this leg. Its scheduling was done on site absolutely depending on sea-ice conditions.

A major goal of the hydrographic investigations was the recovery (after two years of deployment) and redeployment of nine mooring systems along the Prime Meridian in the framework of the WECCON project (Weddell Sea convection control) which was started already in 1996. This project was complemented by a complete CTD (conductivity, temperature, depth) and water sampling programme along the Prime Meridian and along 23° longitude east for Carbon dioxide investigations, CFC tracers, naturally radionuclide tracers and chlorophyll and particle flux investigations as well as for a small biological project dealing with virioplankton and oligotrophic bacteria.

The marine geological investigations concentrated mainly to sediment coring and sampling of a channel-levee system on the continental slope of the southern Riiser Larsen Sea (see GeoBox in Fig. 2.1-1). Swath sonar bathymetric measurements with the HYDROSWEEP system planned to contribute to the AWI Bathymetric Chart of the Weddell Sea (BCWS) and subbottom echosounding profiling with the PARASOUND system in support of the sedimentological project were only partially successful due to very specific obligations by the German Federal Office for the Environment (UBA) for operating all hydro acoustic devices, e.g. echosounding systems. However, extensive experience was gathered on the efforts and needs to run a permanent passive acoustic and visual monitoring of marine mammals while doing acoustic profiling (see Chapter 2.4).

RV POLARSTERN set sail in the evening of November 24, 2002 with an international team of 51 scientists and technicians from seven countries, PR China, Germany, Greece, Mexico, The Netherlands, South Africa, United Kingdom, and 43 crew and left the harbour of Cape Town (South Africa) on a south westerly course heading for the Prime Meridian at 51 degree latitude south (Fig. 2.1-1).

Fine weather and calm sea conditions during the first days of the cruise enabled Polarstern to make good progress. After leaving the South African EEZ, a continuous en-route bathymetric and acoustic sediment profiling survey was started using the ship's swath sounding Hydrosweep system and the Parasound system, respectively. On November 26, a test station for the CTD/rosette system at 39°33'S,

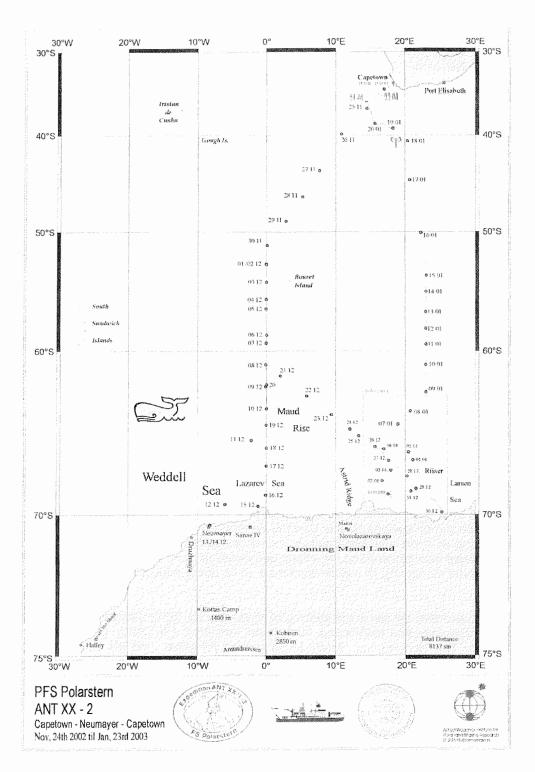


Fig. 2.1-1: Cruise track of RV POLARSTERN during ANT-XX/2

11°05'E and a towing test at different speed of the hydrophone streamer system for acoustic mammals monitoring were carried out successfully.

Regular hydrographic station work started on November 27, along the TOPEX / POSEIDON ground track #133 along which two pressure inverted echosounders (PIES) were deployed. At regular distance of about 70 nautical miles a CTD (Conductivity, Temperature, Depth) sonde and attached rosette water sampler were used to provide the various projects with hydrographic data and water samples. Strong gale during these days, lasting until December 04, caused difficult working conditions. Two CTD stations had to be cancelled because of heavy sea state.

The Prime Meridian was reached on November 30, to continue CTD and rosette sampling at regular distances of half degree latitude or 30 nautical miles from 50 °S to 69 °S as part of the WECCON (Weddell Sea Convection Control) project. As a major component of WECCON, nine mooring systems deployed two years ago along the Prime Meridian were to be recovered and redeployed. The first mooring system was recovered under extremely difficult sea state conditions on December 01. The first attempt to deploy the new system had to be stopped. It was successfully deployed only later the next day when sea state conditions had improved slightly.

First icebergs were sighted in the morning of December 04, and the ice edge consisting of dense but loosely packed drift-ice was met unexpectedly far north, at about 56°30'S during the afternoon of the same day. Ice coverage intensified and increased from 5-7 tenths to 8-9 tenths while CTD station work progressively moved south. Wind force decreased, and together with moderately strong coverage of relatively soft and thin one-year ice, working conditions changed considerably to the better.

On December 07, crossing 60° south latitude, Polarstern entered the area under the Antarctic Treaty legislation. To perform the special requirements laid down by the German Federal Office of the Environment (UBA) for operating the swath sonar Hydrosweep and sediment echosounder Parasound systems and all other hydroacoustic devices scientists set up a passive acoustic as well as a visual monitoring of marine mammals. Once marine mammals, seals or whales, were sighted or recorded, the ship's sonar systems (Hydrosweep swath sounder and Parasound subbottom echosounder) had to be shut down for a certain period and reactivated only if no other mammal had been sighted meanwhile. Especially the visual monitoring increased the general watch keeping duties for all scientists tremendously.

CTD station work was continued until December 10, at 64 °S, west of Maud Rise where a mooring system was recovered and deployed before Polarstern at almost midnight shaped course for Atka Bay and Neumayer Station. Very convenient ice conditions, 4/10 of ice coverage and wide open water made good headway. Ice conditions changed to the worse during December 11, when thick flows of strongly ridged multi-year ice with a thick snow cover became more and more predominant. Tough ice conditions prevailed until the next morning when the dense pack ice opened slowly and Polarstern reached the wide open coastal polynya stretching from 5 °W to 15 °W (see Fig. 2.3-1a).

Late in the evening of December 12, Polarstern arrived at Atka Iceport which - according with the early season - was completely covered by acomplete and intact ice cover. By midnight the ship came alongside the exposed "Nordanleger" in the lee of a

huge grounded iceberg where the ice-edge reaches a height of approximately 12 m. Cargo operations started early in the morning of December 13, and - meeting fine weather conditions - were finished in the late afternoon of December 14. While the vessel stayed at the "Nordanleger" satellite transmitters were mounted during helicopter flights on three suitable icebergs for tracking them during melting. Supported by helicopter, two hydroacoustic experiments to record seal songs from open leads in the sea ice cover of Atka Bay were carried out as well. Other scientists and crew that had not visited Neumayer Station before took the chance of a helicopter shuttle to the station.

Late in the evening of December 14, Polarstern left Atka Bay and steamed through the widely open waters of the polynya on northeasterly course along the ice edge for the Prime Meridian at about 69 °S, slightly north of Trolltunga. Shortly before midnight Polarstern met with the Russian research vessel Academic Fedorov which passed nearby on her way for Neumayer Station. Between December 15 and 20 intensive CTD station work and sediment sampling along the Prime Meridian from 69°20'S to 64 °S in the western Lazarev Sea was carried out. Additionally, four mooring systems were recovered and deployed and a 19 m long piston core was recovered at 61 °S. Improving ice conditions changed from heavy pack and 8-10 tenths coverage in the south to almost open water in the north, and made station work increasingly easier. By means of a number of helicopter flights four icebergs between 69 °S and 64 °S were marked by satellite transmitters.

From December 21 through December 26 a transect of hydrographic CTD stations and geological multi-corer stations was sampled at regular distances of 38 nautical miles each, from the Prime Meridian at 61 °S, north of Maud Rise, to 66°26′S, 15°55′E east of the Astrid Ridge in the western Riiser Larsen Sea. A sound-source mooring was deployed at 64°31′S, 09°50′E and at 64°53′S, 10°57′E use of the in-situ pump system was made for sampling large volume samples for natural radionuclide tracers. Regular sampling was interrupted from December 24 to 25 to celebrate the Christmas Eve.

From December 26 to January 06 Hydrosweep bathymetric swath sonar profiling for areal mapping of erosional channels and Parasound sediment profiling for mapping the thickness of the sedimentary cover and identifying suitable sediment coring sites were carried out in parallel with sediment sampling by gravity corer and multi-corer (MUC) in the so called GeoBox in the southern Riiser Larsen Sea. Regular CTD station work was continued to extend the hydrographic transect started at the Prime Meridian to the southeast as far as to 69°55′S, 25°30′E near the ice shelf edge of the Prinsesse Ragnhild Kyst. There, ice surveys by helicopter along the shelf ice edge revealed 8-9 tenths coverage of thick multi-year ice extending far to the west in the direction for the Astrid Ridge. Therefore, it was decided on December 30, not to take direct course to Erskinebukta in the west but to choose a more northerly course where thinner one-year ice eased the ice conditions, as experienced the days before. The New Year's Eve was celebrated while transiting from the eastern to the western part of Riiser Larsen Sea.

On January 02, 2003 an acoustic experiment to record and distinguish sounds of marine mammals, e.g. seals, without the strong background noise of RV POLARSTERN was carried out using one of POLARSTERN's life boats in the drift-ice zone of the northern Riiser Larsen Sea. Sediment profiling in the GeoBox in general but specifically in the densely ice covered area of the southern Riiser Larsen Sea near the shelf ice edge was

severely hampered by complying with the specific environmental restrictions of the German Federal Environmental Office (UBA) for the use of active acoustical devices.

From January 07 through the afternoon of January 15 intensive hydrographic as well geoscientific sampling was carried out along 23° east longitude. CTD/rosette and fluorimeter casts were taken regularly each half degree latitude or 30 nm in distance. Long piston cores and surface samples by multi-corer were taken on selected sites at 60 to 90 nm distance, precise locations identified from existing Hydrosweep and Parasound records or from online surveys where available according to environmental injunctions. Station work was generally favoured by calm weather conditions. However, piston coring in greater water depths, deeper than 5000 m, was substantially hampered by high swell during January 10 to 12. Hydrosweep swath sounding and Parasound sediment profiling was carried out continuously north of 60 °S.

An exceptional event occurred on January 15 when during station work for several hours altogether more than 20 Humpback whales played around the vessel showing not dread of the vessel itself and of ongoing sampling activities or of active sonar systems.

During the night from January 15 to January 16 the hydrographic transect along 23 °E was finished at 53 °S. In the same night a large low pressure system caused fresh gale and heavy sea preventing Polarstern from further piston coring. A fundamental decision was required how to spend the remaining station time of the cruise; to wait on site for increasing weather conditions to proceed with piston coring along 23 °E or to escape as fast as possible to the north to sample the Agulhas system around 40 °S with CTD and *in-situ* pumps for a hydrographical-geochemical project and to sample additional piston cores *en route* where feasible. Polarstern left the area around 52 °S and sailed north assisted by strong southerly winds and swell astern.

During daytime of January 18 to January 21 the waters of the Agulhas Retroflection and associated gyre system of the Agulhas Rings at 40 to 36 °S and 20 to 14 °E were sampled on four long-lasting stations by *in-situ* pumps and CTD while night-time was used for transit between stations. Refreshing winds and swell and strong currents during January 19 caused difficult working conditions on station, cancellation of CTD casts and delayed beginning of station work on January 20. Bright sunshine and calm sea saw the final station work of this cruise when the last CTD came on board in the late afternoon of January 21. After 60 days at sea and a distance of about 8100 nautical miles, RV POLARSTERN arrived on schedule in Cape Town in the early morning of January 23, 2003.

## 2.2 Weather conditions during ANT-XX/2 Hans-Arnold Pols

Shortly after leaving Cape Town RV Polarstern encountered a narrow line of strong winds reaching gale force; caused by a pressure gradient between the South Atlantic subtropical high and a small low off the coast of Namibia. During the first night at sea, wind increased up to force 9 Bft. On November 26, following a calm passage of the subtropical high, the ship entered the zone of westerly winds between 40 and 60 °S. From that time on it was affected on several occasions by intense depressions, rapidly moving eastward in the zonal flow.

On November 30 Polarstern reached the Greenwich Meridian. On that day a cyclone, with a pressure of 960 hPa at its centre, crossed the vessel's course. At the back of this low the wind increased up to force 10 to 11 Bft, with gusts of force 12 Bft. The wind remained at force 8 for several days after the passage of this storm, with continued westerly cyclonic flow. On December 03 another intense low pressure system passed the ship. Near the centre of that low a measurement of 945 hPa was recorded. This proved to be the lowest pressure reading of the cruise. However, the wind at force 9 Bft did not reach the same intensity as before. When this depression moved eastward, a region with weak pressure gradients was entered. In this region the ship was affected by winds with mean values of force 5 Bft, and the swell reduced proportionally.

On December 04 Polarstern reached the sea-ice edge off the Antarctic coast. The sea ice considerably damped the swell. In the following weeks the ship faced continuous pack-ice conditions. These were coped with successfully. Intensive depressions, moving on a Northerly path, were met but these did not affect the work on Polarstern. Wind speed reached force 6 to 7 Bft for some periods.

In mid December, the Neumayer-Station was supplied under a weak high pressure influence and nearly moderate winds. The following week POLARSTERN headed back northwards following the Prime Meridian. Between a ridge of high pressure, reaching from the South Atlantic to the Weddell Sea, and a westward moving depression at the Riiser Larsen Sea, wind increased up to force 8 Bft. on December 21. The ship then found open water in a polynya close to 62 °S.

Altering course to south east for the Riiser Larsen Sea, and making for the GeoBox working area, a ridge of high pressure crossed the route. Weak pressure differences then prevailed until the beginning of January. In the first week of the New Year, air pressure varied only 8 hPa between low and high. During that time wind only rarely reached force 6 Bft. The easterly flow prevailed with force 4 to 5 Bft. during Christmas and from January 4 to 6 calm conditions was observed with the sea as smooth as a mirror. This coincided with periods of low ceiling and poor visibility, occasionally accompanied by fog and snowfall. Dense multi-year sea-ice made work more difficult on reaching Prinsesse-Ragnhild-Kyst.

By January 10, 2003 RV POLARSTERN had reached 63.5 °S, 23.5 °E. Now in open water and heading northwards again, the course was affected by a low which then developed into a dominating feature. About evening the wind had increased up to force 8 to 9 Bft. with associated wave-heights of 4-5 m. For the next few days, and into the third week of January, the ship stayed near to the centre of that low. Although wind strengths decreased, wave heights of 4 m were still prevalent.

On January 15 an intense low developed from a wave disturbance and passed to the north of the ships cruise. Wind increased from force 2 Bft. at noon to force 9 to 10 Bft. by midnight. The south-westerly storm lasted until the evening of the following day. Later, the wind decreased a little, due to a weak ridge of high pressure, but another intense depression then approached from the west.

For the rest of its continuing cruise to the north RV POLARSTERN met stormy northerly winds. The cold-front of a low was trailing in the north and several wave disturbances developed. The low's influence extended up to the latitude of 35 °S. Ahead of the front, on January 18 north-westerly winds of force 8 Bft., with gusts reaching gale force, were observed. After the passage of the front, RV POLARSTERN entered the trough of the same intense low. Here the ship was affected by wind speeds of force 9 to 10 Bft., and with gusts up to force 12. Wave heights of 8 m and more were encountered, with very short wave-periods. During January 20 these conditions improved only slowly. However, bright sunshine and calm sea prevailed during station work the following days and on arrival in Cape Town in the morning of January 23, 2003.

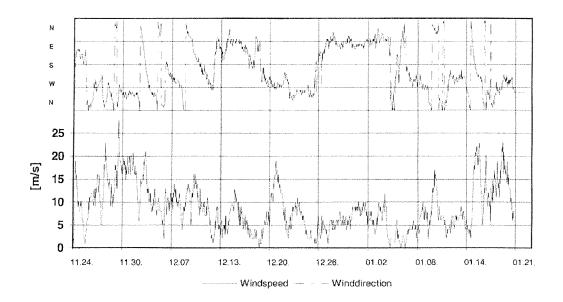
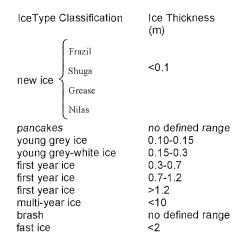


Fig. 2.2-1: Time series of wind speed and directions during RV Polarstern cruise ANT-XX/2.

### 2.3 Ship-based observation of sea ice thickness and characteristics Olaf Klatt, Ismael Nunes, Sandy J. Thomalla and Sebastian Wahl

The sea-ice thickness distribution is a fundamental parameter for defining the extent of ocean-atmosphere interaction within the sea ice zone. It cannot be measured remotely; hence the need for *in situ* measurements to determine the distribution and thickness of different ice types within the pack ice zone. As a contribution to the to the multi-disciplinary Antarctic sea ice zone research project ASPeCt (Antarctic Sea ice Processes and Climate) a standard set of observations were made almost hourly from the bridge of RV Polarstern. These include the ship's position and an estimate of the aerial ice coverage, thickness, floe size, topography and snow cover of the three dominant ice thickness categories within a radius of approximately 0.5 nautical miles of the ship. The ice thickness classification is shown in Table 2.3-1. Furthermore, the meteorological conditions such as air and water temperature, wind speed and direction, cloud cover and visibility were recorded at every observation. The entire data set, which consists of about 300 single observations, is submitted to ASPeCt.



Tab. 2.3-1: Ice thickness classifications used for the ship-based observations

At noon on December 4, 2002 RV POLARSTERN reached the ice edge at 56.5 °S and 0.0 °E. Satellite images showed, at this time almost the whole Weddell Sea was covered with ice (Fig. 2.3-1a), but two areas of low ice concentrations (polynyas) can be identified at the cruise track. The first is located at the Prime Meridian (64 °S), the second at about 10 °W, 70 °S close to the shelf ice off Ekström Ice Shelf. During December the ice has vanished over almost the entire area of investigation and only an ice field at about 10 °E in front of the Riiser Larsen Ice Shelf is visible (Fig. 2.3-1b).

As an example of ship-based observations, the aerial ice coverage and thickness for the Prime Meridian is shown in Figure 2.3-2. At the northern end of the Prime Meridian (56- to 62 °S) the mean total ice coverage was roughly 60 %. The dominant ice type was first year ice with a thickness of around 50 cm. Both the ice coverage and thickness between 62-64 °S were very low and the polynya could be identified (Fig. 2.3-1). South of 67 °S the first year ice became denser with up to 90 % aerial coverage and increased in thickness to 150 cm. RV Polarstern left the ice on the afternoon of the January 3, 2003.

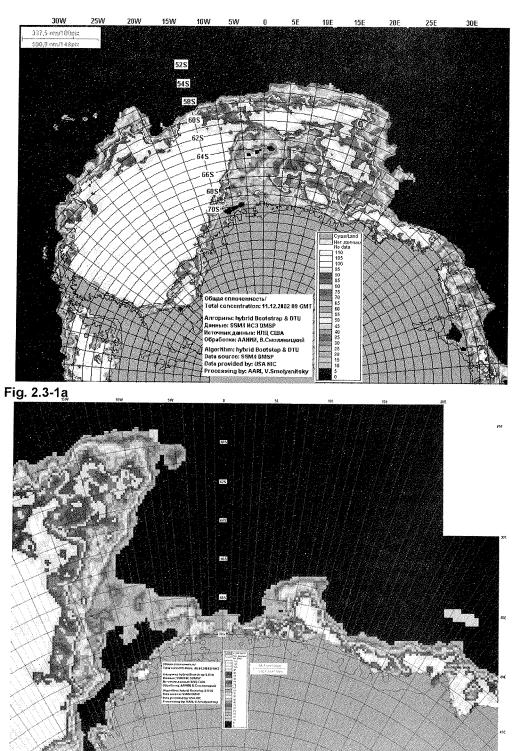


Fig. 2.3-1b

Fig. 2.3-1: Total ice concentration of the Weddell Sea at (a) December 11, 2002 and (b) January 6, 2003

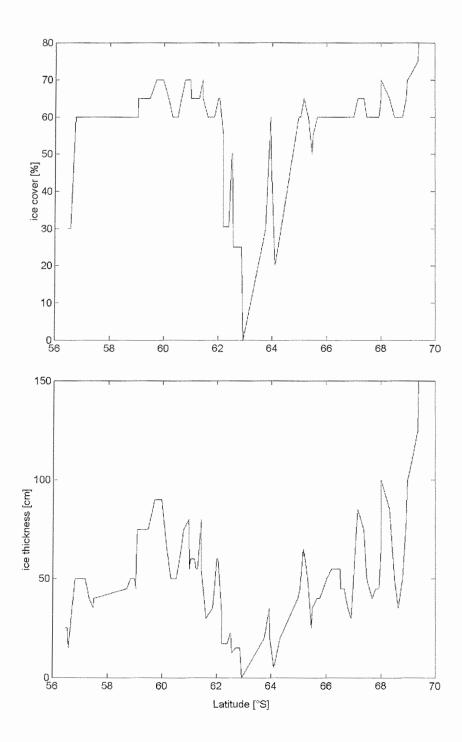


Fig. 2.3-2: Ice cover (a) and thickness of ship-based observations at the Prime Meridian

## 2.4 Observation and identification of marine mammals Wolfgang Dinter and Gerd Kuhn

The obligations for marine mammal monitoring and observation as a mitigation measure related to the permissions for high powered acoustic devices as HYDROSWEEP and PARASOUND during Polarstern research cruise ANT-XX/2 provided the rare possibility to get a widely full-time survey of marine mammals along the ship's track as a byproduct.

The spotting rate is believed to be quite high due to the high deployment of manpower even though most observers were initially not experienced in this task. This resulted in a relatively high number of spottings where species initially were not identified but it gave an overlook about abundance and distribution patterns.

The visual survey width depended strongly on visibility/visible range (sea state, weather conditions, ice-cover, ridges on ice-floes) and heights of platform but was generally good for identification up to a radius of 500 m around the ship and decreased with distance due to the factors mentioned.

Observations began already on November 27, 2002 at 43°37'S 7°60'E for training purposes while steaming SW towards the Prime Meridian transect, although it was obligatory only for the Antarctic Treaty Area south of 60 °S which was reached on late December 7. After leaving the Antarctic Treaty Area on January 11, 2003 observations were made only occasionally until reaching Cape Town on January 23, 2003.

Additional marine mammal records could be made from >600 nm surveys on six helicopter flights in the region between 67-70°13'S and 14°56'-25°14'E.

#### Methods

Observation was done by scientists and technicians (mainly oceanographers, geologists, and geochemists) besides their other regular duties and work programmes. Each observation turn lasted in general no longer than two hours, to avoid fatigue of observers. Position of the observers was generally on the bridge,  $\sim 19$  m plus eye's heights above water level, and voluntarily in some cases for one observer on the crows nest,  $\sim 28$  m plus eye's heights above water level. Numerous binoculars (Steiner 7 x 50) for distant observation were available throughout the bridge area.

Initially, marine mammal watch-keeping was conducted with three observers, but according to a change in the observing obligations, after December 21, 14:00 UTC, general observation was made by two observers during transit and by one observer while on station.

Observation was cancelled during hours of darkness in more northerly latitudes and on very long stations, where the acoustic devices were shut down. Observation was also cancelled or took place only with a reduced personnel of one observer during times when the acoustic device were shut down on some transit transects due to too many mammals and/or already known sea bottom structure and at times where it was intended to avoid the streamer to be damaged in too heavy ice.

#### Assessment of the observation effort

Generally it was obvious that the detection rate and observation quality is depending

- A) physical optic: visibility or visible range (sea state, weather conditions, ice-cover, ridges on ice-floes),
  - height of platform (seals rested frequently behind ridges on ice floes / whales in wavy seas -> detectable from the crows nest but sometimes not from the bridge;
  - · state of windows of bridge and crows nest: in open water frequently covered by spray and salt,

B) observers:

- motivation (such as personal interest or conflict of interests),
- experience,
- → detection rate,
- → behavioural documentation.
- → behavioural assessment,
- → contrary interpretations;
- individual visual ability (e.g. short-sighted vision),
- · number of observers.

Evaluation of the sightings in relation to distribution and behaviour

Although there were regions without any marine mammal sightings along the ship's track it was obviously, that there are patterns of abundance and distribution clearly correlated with patterns of ice-cover and therefore with the seasonal variation. General Antarctic marine mammal abundance and distribution patterns could be confirmed for the surveyed area through this intense observation.

Most whales enter Antarctic waters with the seasonal breaking up of the pack-ice and further melting of the drift-ice and thus are found in higher numbers at ice-edges and along fringes of open water areas even though some whales are reported to over-winter at polynyas and leads.

There are only few records of young or juvenile whales in Antarctica. Therefore, it was surprising to spot one juvenile humpback whale (Megaptera novaeangliae) together with two adults already on December 3 at 54°01.5'S, 0°06.7'W relatively close to the northern ice-edge.

Whales (Minke, Humback) approached R/V POLARSTERN exclusively only on station but all sighted species showed a behaviour range from being unaffected over avoidance to flight responses during transit cruise of the ship. This corresponds well with the general behaviour of Minke whales described at RICHARDSON et al. (1995, p. 272 and references therein). Flight responses could not be related to the use of the different hydroacoustic systems because these were immediately shut down with any spotting. Those Minke whales that approached the ship could clearly be identified as belonging to the southern species Antarctic minke whale (Balaenoptera bonaerensis).

Even though there were spotted many Minke whales or "like Minke whales" alone (Tab. 2.4-1), the mean sighting number was 2.44 whales per sighting.

Weddell seals (Leptonychotes weddellii) were most numerous in colony-like assemblages on fast ice and pack-ice along coastal polynyas. Leopard seals (Hydrurga leptonyx) appeared to be mostly at the outer ice-edge or at the fringe of coastal polynyas and larger open water patches while Ross seals (Ommatophoca rossii) were seen in areas of denser ice-cover. Crabeater seals (Lobodon carcinophagus) were spread throughout the entire ice-belt and were as well as the two species mentioned last mostly encountered alone (mean sighting rate of all seal species 1.36) and resting/sleeping behind ice-ridges. All seals of all species resting on ice reacted to the ship passing by either by no reactions at all or by waking up and sometimes associated with a threatening gesture (raising head and open mouth) or by a short flight response on the ice. Short range (2-7 m) flight response was nearly exclusively on ice and from 358 shipboard sightings only three times into the water. On the other hand a few (three) seals fled out of the water onto ice-floes in the immediate vicinity of the ship when it approached. The assumption related to this behaviour is that Antarctic seals during evolution never had terrestrial (on ice) predators but in the water in contrast to all northerly seals that typically flee into the water due to their main enemies (humans, polar bears) on land (on ice).

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### Shipboard sightings

Watchkeeping: 27.11.02 10:00 - 10.01.03. 15:40; 333 sightings from shipboard; it was always counted the higher number when not indicated exactly; (d = definitely, pr = probably, po = possibly)

529	171						358				
	474	<u> </u>					128	196	24		
in water	25	59	56	13	7	9	2	2	1		
on ice				ļ			124	194	23	7	3
	unidentified whales	like Minke whales (pr, po)	Minke whales (d)	Southern bottlenose whales (d, pr, po)	Arnoux's beaked whales (d, pr, po)	Humpback whales (d, pr, po)	unidentified seals	Crabeater seals (d, pr, po)	Weddell seals (d, pr, po)	Ross seals (d, pr, po)	Leopard seals (d, pr, po)

171 Whales in 70 sightings (171/70, average 2.44); 358 Seals in 263 sightings (358/263, average 136); 529 Marine Mammals sighted from shipboard (529/333, average = 159)
Sightings on 6 helicopter transectflights/triangular courses

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Flight	Minke whales (d)	unidentified seals	seals	Weddell seals (d, pr, po)	Ross seals (d, pr, po)	Leopard seals (d, pr, po)		waypoints	
27.12.02 ice-survey		13	1		1	1	134,04 nm	67°18'S 68°18,84'S 67°18,73'S 67°19,96'S	14°59'E 14°56,6'E 14°52,03'E 15°25,75'E
28.12.02 snow samples	6	3			1		109,01 nm	68°01,79'S 68°61,56'S 68°35,61'S 68°54,47S 68°11,31S	20°34,53'E 20°56,44'E 21°28,32'E 21°54,68'E 21°18,17'E
29.12.02 snow samples		43	7	1	2		117,24 nm	68°50,75'S 69°10,38'S 69°30,85'S 69°50,72'S 68°53,58'S	22°26,8E 22°27,43'E 22°26,5'E 22°29,45'E 22°39,17'E
30.12.02 acoustic sampl at coastal polynya	le	22	63	29	1	1	~120 nm	69°53,19'S 70°00,91'S 70°12,15'S 69°53,2'S	25°13,62'E 25°01,20'E 24°03,87'E 25°13,62'E
31.12.02 snow samples		32	26		1		68,12 nm	68°53,9'S 68°44,09'S 68°33,43'S 68°51,19'S 68°50,75'S	21°30,74'E 20°42,9'E 21°33,68'E 21°34,99'E 21°9,72'E

Flight	Minke whales (d)		seals	Weddell seals (d, pr, po)	Ross seals (d, pr, po)	Leopard seals (d, pr, po)	lengths of survey flight	waypoints	Flight
02.01.03 snow samples	1	2	6			1	53,21 nm	68°34,1'S 68°35,22'S 68°35,53'S 68°11,84'S 68°18,18'S	17°12,88'E 17°10,98'E 16°17,8'E 16°42,75'E 16°44,27'E
	7	115	103	30	6	3		100 10,100	
	7	257			·1	.1	1		
	264						1		

Overall helicopter survey length: ~602 nm = 1115 km; Effective flight suvey width = ± survey width from shipboard due to flight velocity

conclusions:

The high number of recorded seals from helicopter is related to the area but even more to the heights of the platform, where many seals behind ice-ridges might not be detectable from shipboard. The habitat relevance for Weddell seals and the general biological importance of the coastal polynya was evident. The low number of whales was most probably due to the early season and to the related dense ice-cover at this region.

#### Overall marine mammal sightings during ANT XX-2

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	unidentified whales	like Minke whales (pr, po)	Minke whales (d)	Southern bottlenose whales (d, pr, po)	Arnoux's beaked whales (d, pr, po)	Humpback whales (d, pr, po)	unidentified seals	Crabeater seals (d, pr, po)	Weddell seals (d, pr, po)	Ross seals (d, pr, po)	Leopard seals (d, pr, po)
sightings from shipboa	ırd on ice						124	194	23	7	3
sightings from shipboard in water	25	59	56	13	7	9	2	2	1		
							128	196	24		
	171						358				
6 sighting events from 10.01.03	shipboard after					~ 42					
	213						358		1		
6 helicopter surveys		7				1	115	103	30	6	3
		220		,			615				
overall sighted marine	mammals	835									
animals approaching t station 27.11.02-10.01		11/7				3/1	1/1	2/2	1/1		
animals approaching t 10.01.03	he ship on statio	on after				34/3					

Tab. 2.4-1: Summary of marine mammals overservations.

# 2.5 MAX-DOAS measurements of atmospheric trace gases for SCIAMACHY ground truth

Magdalini Halasi

On RV POLARSTERN cruise ANT-XX/2, as also on the cruises Ant-XX/1 and /3, Heidelberg University runs a MAX-DOAS measurement programme. The main objective of these measurements is the identification and concentration of minor gases such as BrO,  $SO_2$ , HCHO,  $H_2O$ , JO,  $O_3$ ,  $NO_2$ , OCIO, 04 and others.

The South Polar Region and the Atlantic are areas of rare atmospheric measurements. That is why the measurements take place in the whole cruise of RV Polarstern .A very important fact of the measurement is the validation of the SCIAMACHY-instrument on the European ENVISAT satellite which started during March 2002. One can use the satellite's information only by comparing with real measured values. During 1990, 1993 and 2001/2 similar measurements were done with great success .The method used for the detection of the different gases is the DOAS (differential optical absorption spectroscopy). This method makes it possible to measure different tropospheric gases in the different heights.

On this cruise, due to the fact that there was a big oceanographic activity, the measurements were concentrated to a relatively small region. For this experiment this fact is a pity but due to the fact that this area is of so rare atmospheric observation, the data are of great worth.

## 2.6 Marine sources of reactive organo-iodines and bromines David Wevill

The aim of this project was to investigate the sources of reactive halogen radicals such as IO and BrO. Air monitoring was carried out using an automated Perkin Elmer Turbomass GC-MS. The sampling interval was ~70 mins and the instrument was running 24 h a day excluding blanks and calibrations. Of the thirteen species monitored (species include  $CH_3I$ ,  $CHBr_3$ ,  $CH_2CII$  and  $CH_2I_2$ ) only nine were detected so far and will be measuring for the next leg of the cruise. The species not detected were the very short-lived compounds which last only 5-20 mins at noon. A few water samples were also taken from 50, 20 and 11 m (the former pair from CTD and the latter from the seawater pump on board). The results obtained need further scrutiny due the possible presence of algae in the Millipure water used for blanks.

Later it is hoped that a combination of our data with ocean colour information from the SeaWIFFs satellite as well as sea / air temperature can help to determine the role of the open ocean as a source or sink for the compounds of interest.

Continuous CO measurements were also taken during the cruise with an Aerolaser instrument and showed the expected drop in concentration once we had moved below the polar circle. Bottle samples were also taken each day around noon UCT on the transit to Neumayer for post analysis of non-methane hydrocarbons.

## 2.7 Carbon dioxide investigations in the Antarctic Circumpolar Current and eastern Weddell Gyre

Mario Hoppema and Dorothee C.E. Bakker

Modifications of the global carbon cycle, by the burning of fossil fuel and changes in land use, have led to an increase in atmospheric carbon dioxide  $(CO_2)$  which has the potential to increase the greenhouse effect of the atmosphere, in turn leading to increased global temperature. The deep oceans are, in principle, able to take up almost all of this excess  $CO_2$ , but only on a time scale which is much longer than the one associated with the anthropogenic perturbations. This is related to the typical mixing and residence times of the deep and bottom waters of the oceans, which are of the order of 1000 years. Thus studies in areas where interactions between the deep and the surface ocean occur, such as the Southern Ocean with the Weddell Sea, are extremely useful for the study of  $CO_2$  uptake and its distribution.

While the atmospheric  $CO_2$  increase is well documented, the oceanic increase is hard to monitor due to the high natural variations and the large amount of  $CO_2$  present in the oceans. Our overall objective is to trace the anthropogenic  $CO_2$  in the deep and surface waters of the Antarctic Ocean and to investigate what factors exert influence on the  $CO_2$  distribution. Substantial progress in these issues can only be made when data series become available. Data from this cruise will extend the longest combined oceanic timeseries (since 1984) of  $CO_2$  and transient tracers, hydrography, nutrients and oxygen at the prime meridian.

#### Work at sea

 ${\rm CO_2}$  parameters have been investigated along a latitudinal section at the Prime Meridian, one section northeast to southwest across the Weddell Sea from the Prime Meridian to about 23 °E, and one quasi-latitudinal section along 23 °E crossing the entire Weddell Gyre at that location (see Fig. 2.1-1). Parameters that were measured include the total inorganic carbon content ( ${\rm TCO_2}$ ) and the partial pressure of  ${\rm CO_2}$  ( ${\rm pCO_2}$ ). Vertical  ${\rm TCO_2}$  profiles of the entire water column were determined from discrete water samples taken from the rosette sampler. About 2000 water samples were analysed, i.e. at almost all hydrographic stations, where generally a triplicate analysis was made for each sample. The  ${\rm pCO_2}$  was determined in the surface water quasi-continuously from the sailing ship.

 $TCO_2$  was determined by a high-precision coulometric method using an automated sample stripping system. Briefly, the method is as follows. A sample of seawater is acidified with phosphoric acid and stripped with high-purity  $N_2$  gas. The extracted  $CO_2$  is, with the  $N_2$  carrier gas, passed through a solution containing ethanolamine and an indicator. This solution is electrochemically back-titrated to its original colour and the amount of coulombs generated is equivalent to the amount of  $CO_2$  in the sample. The measurements are calibrated and corrected against an internationally recognized  $TCO_2$  standard (obtained from Prof. Dickson of Scripps, U.S.A.).

Continuous measurements of the  $pCO_2$  in water and marine air were done using an infra-red analyzer (Li-Cor). A continuous water supply is passed through an equilibrator, where every minute the headspace gas is analysed for its  $CO_2$  content, thus giving  $pCO_2$  in the surface water. Marine air was pumped continuously from the crow's nest

into the laboratory and sub-sampled every three hours. The measurements are calibrated with standard NOAA gases. As the pCO $_2$  is strongly dependent on temperature changes, final data will only be available pending corrections for the temperature increase of the water while flowing from the ship's keel into the laboratory. Analyses of TCO $_2$  and online pCO $_2$  were performed using equipment put at our disposal by the Royal Netherlands Institute for Sea Research (NIOZ, Texel).

At a few stations  $pCO_2$  was measured at samples throughout the water column as drawn from the rosette. This was done using a discrete  $pCO_2$  analysis system of the University of East Anglia.

#### Preliminary results

#### Total carbon dioxide

Unfortunately, we cannot as yet present final results for  $TCO_2$  and  $pCO_2$ . Some general patterns can be discerned, though. A general feature of the  $TCO_2$  distribution is that, although the  $TCO_2$  values in the Southern Ocean surface water are high compared to other surface ocean regions, they are low in comparison with the deep and bottom water. The  $TCO_2$  minimum in the surface water is due to phytoplankton which utilises  $CO_2$ . Below the thermocline, a  $TCO_2$  maximum is found associated with the temperature maximum of the Warm Deep Water (WDW). Near the bottom relatively low  $TCO_2$  values were measured in Weddell Sea Bottom Water (WSBW). This water mass originates partly from the shelf waters of the Weddell Sea, which are low in  $TCO_2$ .

### Partial pressure of CO<sub>2</sub>

The measurement of  $pCO_2$  during the entire cruise period resulted in a large, high spatial resolution data set. Mostly modest under- and over-saturation were observed in the area of investigation. However, two regions fall outside this trend. At the Prime Meridian the region contiguous to the Antarctic continent showed dramatic under-saturation. This includes not only the coastal area, but also the region further offshore. The other large region with large under-saturation is the northeastern Weddell Gyre along 23 °E. Such strong under-saturation can only be caused by intense phytoplankton primary production in these regions.

## 2.8 Investigations on physical hydrography: Weddell Sea Convection Control - WECCON

Since 1996 moorings were deployed along the Prime Meridian (Fig. 2.8-1) and redeployed every two years, as was done during this cruise. The two southernmost moorings covered the area of the coastal current. Westward of Maud Rise there are three moorings equipped with temperature-conductivity recorders from approximately 250-750 m depth to monitor the change in the stratification. This data are imported to study the possible pre-conditioning for the occurrence of a polynya. The four northern moorings are at the westward flowing branch of the Weddell Gyre and the transition into the Antarctic Circumpolar Current (ACC). This region is characterized by fronts, which also effect the elevation of the sea surface. Thus bottom pressure recorders in the three northernmost moorings are used to record the change of the sea surface elevation and from these records the shift of the ACC can be determined. The sea surface elevation was compared with the satellite sea surface height measurements from TOPEX/Poseidon. The ACC was also described with the full coverage of temperatureconductivity recorders in this region. Inverted echo sounders are placed on top of the six southern moorings to measure the sea-ice draft and the variability of the yearly sea ice coverage. The instrumentation of the deployed moorings (Tab. 2.8-2) has not changed compared to the instrumentation of the recovered moorings (Tab. 2.8-1) but in addition two sound sources have been attached in mooring 229 and 231 at 850 m depth each. A third sound source was deployed as a single sound source mooring near 10 °E

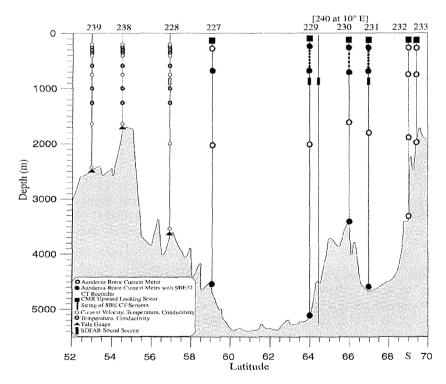


Fig. 2.8-1: Vertical section along the Prime Meridian with the moored instruments.

Mooring AWI227 to AWI239 are the moorings which have been replaced. In addition sound sources were attached in moorings AWI229, AWI231, and in AWI240 which is a newly deployed one at 10 °E.

The mooring work started with mooring AWI239 and the first part ends with mooring AWI229 before steaming on direct course to Neumayer Station. After the suply activities the mooring work was continued from the south, starting with mooring AWI233 towards mooring AWI230. The sound source mooring AWI240 was deployed on the south-east transect to the GeoBox (see Fig. 2.1-1). The two northern moorings were replaced in open water. Due to rough weather conditions the deployment of AWI239 was stopped. The next day conditions became slightly better and the deployment could be finished. The sea ice edge was found north of AWI227 and at the mooring position the ice coverage ranged from 8/10 to 9/10. All further moorings were recovered under extremely closed ice cover with only a few small leads. Because the prototype of an acoustic unit (TT801) failed, the POSIDONIA positioning system was used. The successful recovery of all moorings during this cruise suggests that POSIDONIA may warrant a complete recovery even under difficult ice conditions. It was the first successful use of POSIDONIA for mooring recovery, therefore the following section exemplifies the recovery routine of one of our moorings.

### 2.8.1 Mooring recovery with Posidonia

POSIDONIA is an acoustic ultra short baseline positioning system of the IXSEA OCEANO company (France). The transducer array is fixed on a platform to be installed in the ships moon pool. The moon pool is locked when breaking through the ice. Thus the transducer array can only be installed on station and further ice breaking is not possible. Only cautious manoeuvring of the ship within leads is possible once the transducer array is installed. The installation of the transducer array occupies approximately 45 minutes. The Posidonia processing unit is connected to the ships navigation system as well to the pitch and roll sensors. The system was operated from a PC with special positioning software. The system is able to track acoustic transponders which can be placed on underwater vehicles or in moorings. These transponders must be POSIDONIA compatible transmitting multi frequency shifted key (MFSK). One of the moorings double releases can transmit MFSK and also one transponder at the moorings top. Thus it was possible to position and track at least one unit. The release command can be generated for Posidonia compatible releases. The PC was placed on the bridge and therefore one can directly communicate with the navigation officer during the mooring positioning and release.

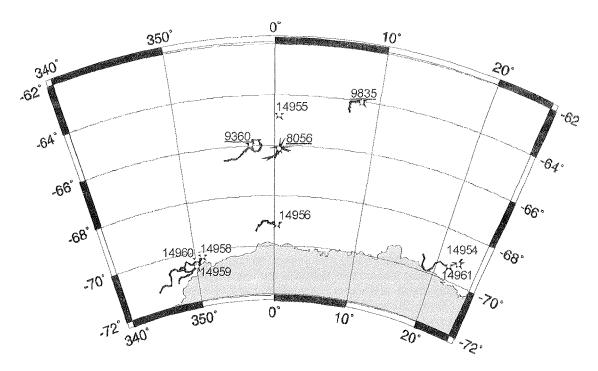
The transducer array was installed when RV Polarstern had reached a lead close to the mooring location. Afterwards the positioning software was started and the transponder/releaser set-ups were loaded into the program from the configuration file, which is needed for Posidonia compatible transponders. Before the transponders can reply on their specific interrogate frequency for positioning, an enable command has to be transmitted. When this command is confirmed, the main positioning routine starts. It shows two graphs for plotting the horizontal and vertical distances between the ship and the transponder. Another window displays the calculated transponder position in latitude, longitude and depth in meters. There is also a status window, showing which of the four receivers detected a signal from the transponder. An interrogate signal was transmitted every five seconds. As soon as all four receivers have detected a reply from

the transponder, its position is displayed. For moorings that have been deployed with the anchor first, the position measured with Posidonia was the same as being noticed after the deployment. For moorings that have been deployed in open water with anchor last, it was found that the position was not very far off the calculated position. Once Posidonia has found the position of the mooring the navigation officer sets a marker from this position on the radar screen, which shows the surrounding sea ice field. If the mooring was in a region of heavy sea-ice coverage the mooring was not released. Instead the ice drift was observed to find a lead passing the mooring. As soon as a lead has reached the mooring position a release command was send. This can be done directly from the Posidonia software. After the release positioning was continued and the Posidonia PC-display shows decreasing transponder depth. It occurred that the moorings top-floats appeared directly in the assumed 50 m wide lead. Because the mooring will drift with the current, which may set differently than the drifting sea ice, the mooring can miss the lead. In this case the positions from the Posidonia system help to fix the region to search for float packages, which may appear between the ice flows.

Even in open water Posidonia helps to improve the mooring recovery. It was found that release commands being transmitted with the standard deck units (TT301 and TT801) and the 30 m cable hand-held-transducer failed if the release is placed in very deep water (greater 4000 m). During this cruise it could be verified that the release did not fail if the ship's noise was reduced disconnecting the propellers. But Posidonia transmitted release codes are able to release deep moorings even with running propellers or thrusters.

## 2.8.2 Iceberg tracking

To estimate the fresh water transport by icebergs, 10 satellite tracked transmitters were deployed there upon. These iceberg markers were manufactured by the "Denk Manufaktur" company, Gr. Kneten, Germany. The markers determine their position once per day at noon with a GPS receiver. The positions are transmitted via satellite using the ARGOS system. The ARGOS transmitter is switched on for six hours once a week only, to send the positions from the past seven days. The transmitter's on-time lasts long enough to ensure that all data can be received by CLS in Toulouse, France. This weekly transmission mode was chosen to save CLS service costs. Three markers are equipped additionally with an air pressure sensor. The ARGOS transmitters of these markers are operating in a 90 seconds continuous mode, providing three hourly air pressure data to the GTS. The iceberg markers are designed to operate for up to two years. Due to environmental aspects, the housing is slightly enlarged compared to previous versions. Thus the new markers have positive buoyancy without using additional floats. Markers from melted icebergs are likely to leave the Antarctic Ocean by drifting northwards and being entrained into the Antarctic Circumpolar Current. Tilt sensors are installed to detect when an iceberg begins to capsize. The ARGOS transmitter will switch into a continuous mode as soon as the tilt is excessive.



**Fig. 2.8-2:** Map of the ice bergs with deployed ARGOS transmitters. Numbers are the ARGOS lds. Underlined lds indicate the transmitters that are additionally equipped with air pressure sensor. The drift is shown for the period given in Table 2.8-3.

A helicopter was used to deploy markers on icebergs. Figure 2.8-2 shows the locations of the marked icebergs. The icebergs were chosen along the cruise track with a maximum flight distance of 20 nautical miles. Three markers were deployed during the supply activities at Neumayer Station. A digital photograph was taken to describe the shape of the iceberg. The length and width was measured with the GPS, flying along and across the iceberg. The height above sea level is taken from the radar altimeter of the helicopter. Table 2.8-3 gives a summary of all icebergs marked. Snow was sampled for the tracer group from IUPB.

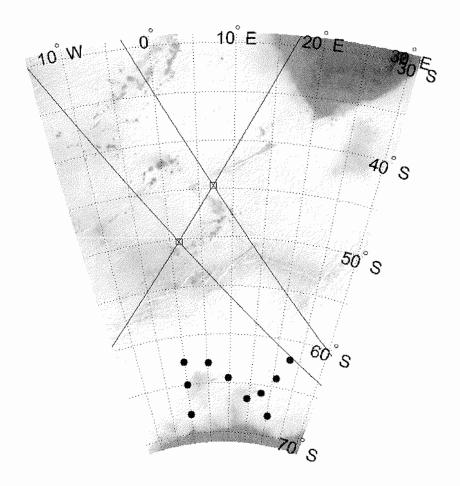
Data collection from CLS via direct computer link and to do the data processing and validation is assigned to OPTIMARE company, Bremerhaven, Germany. Daily updated iceberg tracks are available from Gerd Rohardt (grohardt@awi-bremerhaven.de).

## 2.8.3 Deployment of pressure inverted echo sounders - PIES

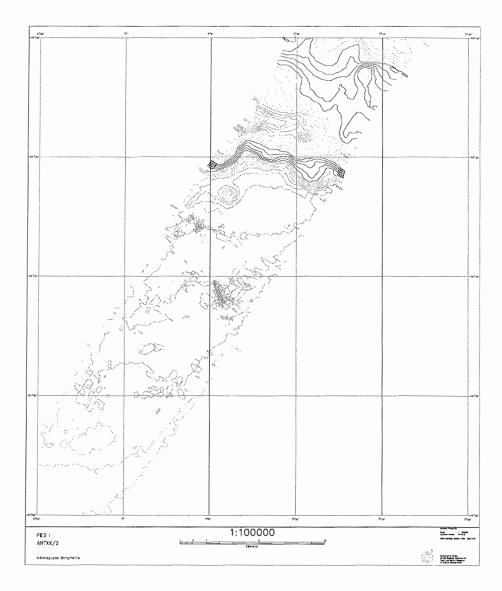
To monitor the Antarctic Circumpolar Current (ACC) transport, two Pressure Inverted Echo Sounders (PIES) were purchased from the University of Rhode Island and deployed across the ACC's. The instruments are located on the TOPEX/Poseidon ground track number 133 (Fig. 2.8-3), complementing a PIES array between the South African coast and about 40 °S, which is currently being deployed by Deidre Byrne, University of Maine along the same satellite ground track.

PIES deliver bottom pressure and travel times of sound signals from the bottom to the sea-surface, effectively providing a measure of average temperatures, bottom pressure variations and sea surface height. After the planned recovery of the instruments in austral summer 2004/2005, the data shall be used to extract baroclinic and possibly barotropic transport variations within the gap spanned by the PIES.

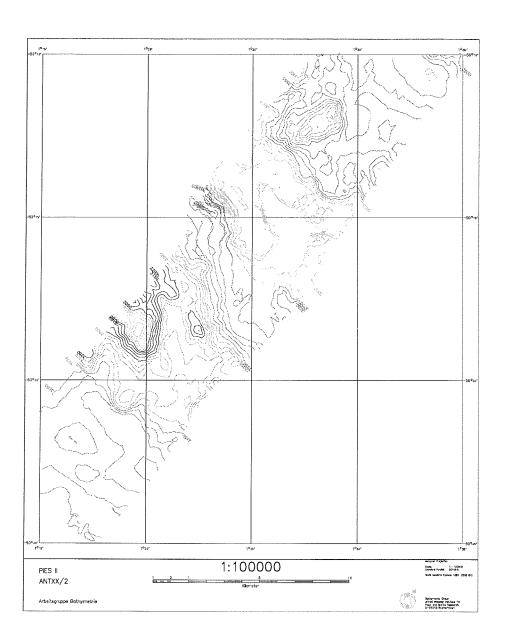
A high resolution bathymetric profile between Cape Town and the two PIES was recorded with the HYDROSWEEP System (Fig. 2.8-4 and Fig. 2.8-5).



**Fig. 2.8-3:** Map of Pressure Inverted Echo Sounders (PIES) deployment positions (square boxes near 45° and 50 °S at the crossover points of TOPEX/Poseidon tracks 133, 98 and 48) together with setting positions of ten freely drifting ARGO/APEX floats. Bottom topography from SMITH & SANDWELL.



**Fig. 2.8-4:** Bathymetry around deployment position of PIES-1 at 44°39.75'S, 7°05.03'E. The bathymetry was recorded by HYDROSWEEP during cruise ANT-XX/2. Isobaths are spaced by 50 m.



**Fig. 2.8-5:** Bathymetry around deployment position of PIES-1 at 50°15.01'S, 1°25.00'E. The bathymetry was recorded by HYDROSWEEP during cruise ANT-XX/2. Isobaths are spaced by 50 m.

#### 2.8.4 Deployment of ARGO/APEX floats

The international ARGO (Array of Real Time Global Oceanography) project aims to set on the order of 3000 profiling floats into the world ocean to establish a real-time operational data stream of upper (<2000 m) ocean temperature and salinity profiles. Since 2001 the AWI contributes to this program with nine APEX floats, roving primarily between 50-60 °S, which cycle every seven days between the sea surface and their drift depth near 800 m. This year the fleet that was augmented by another ten floats, set south of 60 °S and cycling at ten days intervals (Fig. 2.8-3).

### 2.8.5 Deployment of RAFOS floats and sound source moorings at Maud Rise

The Ranging and Fixing of Sound (RAFOS) technology has been used widely in moderate latitudes to provide high-resolution trajectories of neutrally buoyant floats by means of underwater acoustics. It is based on travel time measurements of a coded sound signal between a moored sound source and the moving float. However, at high latitudes, this technique is expected to work at considerable shorter ranges only, and the Maud Rise RAFOS Experiment (MARE) is designed as a first test to explore the ranges to be expected, while simultaneously trying to unveil the mesoscale circulation patterns around Maud Rise. To this end, three sound sources were moored and nine floats were launched in the vicinity of Maud Rise (Fig. 2.8-6, Tab. 2.8-6 and Tab. 2.8-7).

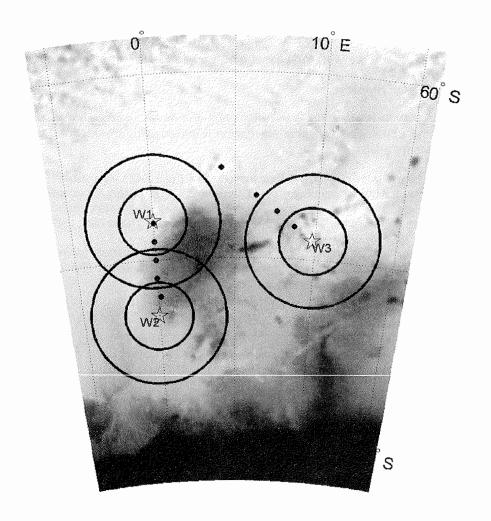


Fig. 2.8-6: Map of Sound Source moorings and RAFOS float deployment sites around Maud Rise. Asterisks mark the sound source mooring positions, with circles indicating 100 and 200 km ranges. Dots mark the setting positions of nine RAFOS (Ranging and Fixing of Sound) floats. Bathymetry according to SMITH & SANDWELL.

The sources are refurbished sources, with some major problems that could only provisionally be fixed in Bremerhaven before shipment. Sound source 21 showed signs of previous leakage at the high voltage feed-through, which was provisionally fixed with Scotch Fill. Sound source 19 and 21 could only be addressed through the internal interface and hence could not be vacuum checked before deployment. Sound source 49/14 had the high voltage feed-through replaced and spliced to the external cable leading to the transducer.

# 2.8.6 Measurements with the vessel mounted acoustic Doppler current profiler - VM-ADCP

AWI, OPTIMARE

A 150 kHz ADCP is mounted in the ship's hull and monitors continuously the velocity profile in the upper water column. Navigation is provided by the Marine Inertial Navigation System (MINS).

Due to problems with one of the four transducers the ADCP was run in the 3-beam-solution mode for the whole cruise up to January 3, 2003, when it was switched off for repair. The decision to switch the VM-ADCP off that early, was made to take the opportunity to demount the instrument in calm weather conditions near the ice edge.

The instrument will be sent to the manufacturer RD Instruments for repair after the cruise. A preliminary scan through the data indicates no problems. The final processing will be done with the CODAS software at home.

Mooring	Latitude	Water	Date	Instrument	Serial	Instrument	Record
}	Longitude	depth	time of	type	number	depth	length
	_	(m)	1 <sup>st</sup> record			(m)	(days)
AWI233-5	69°23.73'S	1916	20-12-00	ULS	42	191	725
	00°04.04'W		16:00	ACM	1569A	220	(1)
				AVT	9186	717	725
				ACM-CTD	1387A	1873	725
AWI232-5	68°59.49'S	3337	21-12-00	ULS	46	166	724
	00°02.18°W		16:00	ACM	1565A	225	(1)
				AVTPC	9214	732	5(2)
				AVT	9182	1778	724
				ACM-CTD	1447A	3284	724
AWI231-4	66°30.00S	4515	23-12-00	ULS	47	179	724
	00°01.80'W		10:00	ACM-CTD	1456A	198	(1)
				CT	237	250	724
				CT	238	300	724
				CT	239	350	724
				CTD	245	400	724
				CT	240	450	724
				CT	435	500	724
				CT-P	1231	550	(3)
				CTD	247	600	724
			ļ	CT-P	1232	650	724
				ACM-CT	1442A	705	724
				AVT	10003	1811	724
				ACM-CTD	1472A	4472	(1)
AWI230-3	66°00.34'S	3447	23-12-00	ULS	36	170	724
	00°10.38'E		20:00	ADCP	1600	187	(4)

Mooring	Latitude	Water	Date	Instrument	Serial	Instrument	Record
	Longitude	depth (m)	time of 1 <sup>st</sup> record	type	number	depth (m)	length (days)
		1119	1 100014	AVTP	9204	195	724
				CT	236	295	724
				CTD	243	395	724
				CTD	244	495	724
				CT-P ACM-CTD	1230 1474A	595 705	724 724
				AVT	9785	1598	724
				ACM-CTD	1470A	3404	(1)
AWI229-4	63°57.86'S	5167	26-12-00	ULS	24	127	713
	00°02.40'E		18:00	ACM-CTD	1450A	170	_(1)
				CT	228	220	713
				CT CT	230 232	270	713
				CTD	232	320 370	713 713
				CT	233	420	713
				CT	235	470	713
				CT-P	1288	520	713
				CTD	242	570	713
				CT-P	1229	620	713
				ACM-CTD	1443A	677	713
				AVT	9391	1973	74(2
AWI227-7	59°04.20'S	4620	29-12-00	ACM-CTD ULS	1451 08	5117 148	(1)
AVVIZZI-I	00°04.40'E	4020	14:00	AVTPC	9194	252	(4) 707
	00 04.40 [		14.00	AVTPC	9998	679	707
				SBE16	2422	680	637
				AVT	9179	1986	707
				AVT	9211	4596	707
				SBE16	631	4597	(4)
AWI228-5	56°57.61'S	3712	30-12-00	ACM	1553A	205	(1)
	00°01.40'E		16:00	SBE16	2416	206	551
				Micro-J CT-P	1324F 1235	256 306	411 704
				CT	224	356	704
				AVTP	10541	413	704
				SBE16	630	414	(4)
				SBE16	319	575	(4)
				AVT	9180	741	704
				CT	229	742	704
				CT-P	1603	992	704
				CT-P AVT	1604 9190	1242 1948	704 704
				RCM11	20	3649	704
				SBE26	227	3712	(4)
AWI238-3	54°30.60'S	1700	31-12-00	ACM	1567A	176	701
	00°01.70'E		16:00	SBE16	2415	187	625
				CT	231	227	701
				CT-P	1234	327	701
				AVTP	9193	383	701
				SBE16	1167	384	701
ĺ				CT-P AVTP	1237 10926	550 730	701 701
[				SBE16	10926	730 731	701 697
				CT-P	1605	981	701
			ļ	CT-P	1606	1231	701
			-	RCM11	25	1610	701
				SBE26	228	1700	(4)
AWI239-2	52°00.66'E	2460	03-01-01	ACM	1558A	218	697

Mooring	Latitude	Water	Date	Instrument	Serial	Instrument	Record
	Longitude	depth	time of	type	number	depth	length
		(m)	1 <sup>st</sup> record			(m)	(days)
	00°00.93'E		02:00	SBE16	2414	219	496
				CT-P	1233	269	697
				СТ	216	319	697
				СТ	225	369	697
				AVTP	10927	426	697
				SBE16	1977	427	566
				CT-P	1236	597	697
				AVTP	10928	773	697
				SBE16	1978	774	584
				CT-P	1607	1024	697
				CT	269	1274	697
				AVTP	12325	1780	697
				СТ	227	1781	697
				RCM11	26	2407	697
				SBE26	276	2460	697

Tab. 2.8-1: Moorings recovered at the Prime Meridian. ADCP = RDI Inc. self contained acoustic doppler current profiler. ACM-CTD = Falmouth Scientific Inc. three-dimensional acoustic current meter with CTD head (CTD = Conductivity, Temperature, Depth). AVTCP = Aanderaa current meter with temperature-, conductivity-, and pressure sensor. AVTP = Aanderaa current meter with temperature and pressure sensor. AVT = Aanderaa current meter with temperature sensor. RCM 11 = Aanderaa Doppler current meter. SBE16 = Seabird Electronics SBE16 recording temperature, conductivity, and pressure. ULS = Christian Michelsen Research Inc. upward looking sonar to measure the sea ice draft. SBE26 = Seabird Electronics SBE26 bottom pressure recorder. CT = Seabird Electronics SBE37 recording temperature and conductivity. CT-P = Seabird Electronics SBE37 recording temperature, conductivity, and pressure.

Remarks: Instrument failure = no data recorded; Instrument flooded = data lost; Instrument lost during recovery; Memory download failed, has to be done by manufacturer.

Mooring	Latitude	Water	Date / time of	Instrument	Serial	Instrument
_	Longitude	Depth (m)	1 <sup>st</sup> record	type	number	depth
AWI233-6	69°23.66'S	1948	15-12-02	ULS	49	165
	00°03.98'W		22:48	AVTP	8367	237
				AVTPC	8395	738
				SBE37	1604	1891
				AVT	10499	1892
AWI232-6	68°59.87'S	3369	16-12-02	ULS	50	175
	00°00.32'E		14:46	AVTP	11887	252
				AVTPV	8396	765
				AVT	10498	1809
				SBE37	1605	3314
				RCM11	127	3315
AWI231-5	66°30.56'S	4552	18-12-02	ULS	39	178
	00°02.03'W		10:55	AVTPC	8400	220
				SBE37	2609	220
				SBE37	211	270
				SBE37	2610	320
				SBE37	214	370
				SBE37	215	420
				SBE37Pup3	2392	470
				SBE37	220	520
				SBE37	222	570
				SBE37	223	620
				SBE37	2234	670
				SBE37Pu	2382	720

Mooring	Latitude	Water	Date / time of	Instrument	Serial	Instrument
	Longitude	Depth (m)	1 <sup>st</sup> record	type	number	depth
-				AVTPC	9215	731
				SQ	18/W2	882
				AVT	9768	1837
				SBE37Pu	2383	4492
414/1000 4	00000 0010	0.477	10 10 00	RCM11	133	4498
AWI230-4	66°00.30'S	3477	18-12-02	ULS	38	177
	00°10.29'E		20:53	AVTPC SBE37Pu	8401 2384	220 220
				SBE37Pu	2385	320
				SBE37P3	249	420
				SBE37	445	520
				SBE37	446	620
				SBE37Pu	2386	720
				AVTPC	9995	731
				RCM11	134	1627
				SBE37Pu	2087	3427
				RCM11	135	3433
AWI227-8	59°04.20'S	4566	07-12-02	ULS	41	162
	00°04.47'E		09:01	AVTPC	10004	274
				AVT	3570	704
				SBE37PuP3	2395	705
				AVT	10503	2011
				SBE37Pu	2091	4616
				RCM11	146	4622
AWI229-5	63°57.23'S	5200	10-12-02	ULS	38	147
	00°00.21'W	i	18:45	AVTP	8402	193
				SBE37P3	2387	200
Į.				SBE37	250 448	250
				SBE37 SBE37	448	300 350
				SBE37Pu	2086	400
				SBE37PuP3	2393	450
İ				SBE37Pu	2088	500
				SBE37Pu	2089	550
[				SBE37Pu	2090	600
				SBE37	2611	700
				SBE37PuP7	1564	750
				AVTP	9783	704
				SQ	14/W1	859
				RCM11	144	2005
				SBE37Pu	2388	5150
				RCM11	145	5156
AWI228-6	56°57.64'S	3699	04-12-02	AVTPC	8405	190
	00°01.62'E		23:00	SBE16P1	19783	191
				SBE37PuP3	2235	241
				SBE37Pu	2092	291
				SBE37Pu	2093	341
				AVTPC SBE37Pu	9201 2391	402 403
				SBE37PuP3	2396666	562
				AVT	9389	728
	ŀ			SBE37Pu	2094	729
	•		ļ	SBE37Pu	2095	979
				SBE37PaP7	1565	1227
				RCM11	100	1934
	1	ļ		RCM11	101	3635
ľ				SBE37Pu	2389	3636
				SBE26	276	3699
	54°30.63'S	1718	03-12-02	AVTP	11892	187

Mooring	Latitude	Water	Date / time of	Instrument	Serial	Instrument
	Longitude	Depth (m)	1 <sup>st</sup> record	type	number	depth
	00°01.81'E		14:20	SBE16P3	2420	188
				SBE37Pu	2096	238
				SBE37Pu	2097	288
				SBE37Pu	2098	338
				AVTP	10491	399
				SBE37PuP3	2236	400
				SBE37Pu	2099	570
				AVT	9390	745
				SBE37PuP3	2237	746
			1	SBE37Pu	2100	1000
				SBE37Pu	2101	1250
				RCM11	102	1651
				SBE37Pu	2390	1652
				SBE26	257	1718
Mooring	Latitude	Water	Date / time	Instrument	Serial	Instrument
	Longitude	depth (m)	of 1 <sup>st</sup> record	type	number	depth
AWI239-3	53°00.49'S	2483	02-12-02	AVTPC	8419	240
	00°01.96'E		18:03	SBE37Pu	2231	241
			}	SBE37Pu	2102	291
				SBE37Pu	2103	341
				SBE37Pu	2104	391
				AVT	9401	441
				SBE37PuP3	2394	442
				SBE37Pu	2105	613
				AVT	9458	797
			Ĭ	SBE37PuP3	2238	798
				SBE37Pu	2233	1043
				SBE37PuP7	1566	1293
	1			RCM11	103	1793
				SBE37	2232	1804
			1	RCM11	104	2429
				SBE26	261	2483
AWI240-1	64°30.00'S	5200		SQ	new	856
,	10°00.00'E					

**Tab. 2.8-2:** Moorings deployed at the Prime Meridian and sound source mooring northeast of Maud Rise. AVTCP ≈ Aanderaa current meter with temperature, conductivity, and pressure sensor; AVTP ≈ Aanderaa current meter with temperature and pressure sensor; AVT = Aanderaa current meter with temperature sensor; RCM 11 = Aanderaa Doppler current meter; SBE16P# = Seabird Electronics SBE16 recording temperature, conductivity, and pressure; here P# indicates the pressure range e.g. P1 for 1000 psi; ULS = Christian Michelsen Research Inc. upward looking sonar to measure the sea ice draft; SBE26 = Seabird Electronics SBE26 bottom pressure recorder; SBE37-Seabird Electronics SBE37 recording temperature and conductivity, SBE37Pu = Seabird Electronics SBE37 recording temperature, conductivity with external pump; SBE37PuP# = Seabird Electronics SBE37 recording temperature, conductivity, and pressure with external pump; here P# indicates the pressure range e.g. P1 for 1000 psi; SQ-Sound source for SOFAR-Drifters.

ARGOS	Date and time of	Latitude	Iceberg		Digital
identification	- deployment	Longitude	dimension	Remarks	photo
	<ul> <li>last position</li> </ul>		L - W - H (m)		(JPG)
9360	11-12-02 / 11:36	65°57.15'S	200 - 200 - 26	inclusive air pressure sensor	EB1
	13-01-03 / 12:00	02°28.89'W			
14959	13-12-02 / 15:09	70°20.88'S	1600 - 750 -40	tritium snow sample taken	EB2
	10-01-03 / 12:00	08°20.44'W			
14958	13-12-02 / 15:30	70°13.61'S	380 - 380 - 25	tritium snow sample taken	EB3
	10-01-03 / 12:00	07°57.00'W			
14960	14-12-02 / 12:54	70°16.63'S	380 - 380 - 40	tritium snow sample taken	EB4
	11-01-03 / 12:00	09°39.85'W			
14956	16-12-02 / 13:25	69°06.05'S	380 - 380 - 20	tritium snow sample taken	EB5a
	12-01-03 / 12:00	00°29.81'E			EB5b
8056	18-12-02 / 13:56	66°07.24'S	180 - 180 - 10	inclusive air pressure sensor	EB6a
	13-01-03 / 12:00	00°24.79'E			EB6b
14955	19-12-02 / 09:30	64°52.09'S	180 - 180 - 50	tritium snow sample taken	EB7
	22-12-02 / 12:00	00°16.97'E			
9835	23-12-02 / 09:00	64°01.33'S	200 - 100 - 15	inclusive air pressure sensor	EB8a
	10-01-03 / 12:00	08°17.02'E		capsized	EB8b
					EB8c
14954	29-12-02 / 15:25	69°10.98'S	100 - 300 - 30	tritium snow sample taken	EB9a
	12-01-03 / 12:00	22°32.06'E			EB9b
14961	29-12-02 / 16:09	69°24.07'S	300 - 300 - 35	Tritium snow sample taken	
	12-01-03	21°34.69'E			

Tab. 2.8-3: Deployment of ARGOS transmitters on icebergs.

Identifiers	Start		Launch			
AWI project URI SN.	-date (DMY) -time (GPS	Auto release - date - time	wt. Depth (m) - HYDROSWE. - PODAS	Latitude Longitude	Date / Time (UTC)	Speed (km/h)
PIES-1	26-11-02	26-12-06	4610	44°39.75'S	27-11-02	1.9
67	18:46:37	20:00	4613	07°05.03'E	16:42	
PIES-2	28-11-02	25-12-06	3879	50°15.01'S	29-11-02	2.5
69	16:09:55	20:00	3930	01°25.00'E	21:56	

**Tab.: 2.8-4:** PIES mooring positions. Times are set according to GPS time, which was 14 s late (GPS = UTC + 14 s) relative to UTC during this period.

Float	number		S	Start		Launch				
AWI	ARG HEX	ARG DEC	Webb Res. SN	Date-GPS Time-UCT	Wt. Depth (m)	Latitude Longitude	Date Time (UTC)	Wave height	Wind (m/s)	lce cov
40	90C64	25649	673	0912-02 09:04:08	5337	62°37.84'S 00°05.81'W	09-12- 02 15:32	0	13	5
41	9F3F1	26575	680	16-12-02 16:33:12	4512	68°00.28'S 00°03.49'W	17-12- 02 03.44	0	2	5
42	A1965	26725	681	18-12-02 22:48:06	3757	65°00.32'S 00°00.41'W	19-12- 02 11:13	0	5	4
43	A9096	10818	655	21-12-02 08:26.04	5172	62°57.27'S 05°16.46'E	22-12- 02 09:54	1	5	0
44	90C91	25650	674	23-12-02 08:31:53	5214	64°29.48'S 09°49.45'E	23-12- 02 15:43	0	9	1
45	91DC7	25719	675	25-12-02 14:59:45	3424	66°03.46'S 14°32.98'E	25-12- 02 23:07	0	2	3
46	93890	25826	676	27-12-02 16:26:23	4045	67°59.98'S 20°13.58'E	28-12- 02 13:33	0	5	2
47	95178	25925	677	06-01-03 18:02:00	4899	65°49.57'S 17°45.57'E	06-01- 03 20:12	0	2	0
48	9F3A2	26574	679	08-01-03 10:18:32	5055	64°07.90'S 20°45.40'E	08-01- 03 13:23	0	4	0
49	9518D	25926	678	09-01-03 19:30:00	5160	61°59.96'S 22°58.95'E	09-01- 03 22:45	0	4	0

**Tab. 2.8-5**: ARGOS/APEX profiling float setting positions during ANT-XX/2. All floats feature an ice avoidance software feature, based on measurement of the median temperature between 50 and 20 m water depth. Float times are set according GPS time which was 14 s late (GPS = UTC + 14 s) relative to UTC during this period.

Float No.				Start			Launch		
AWI	ARGO HEX	ARGO DEC	Sea scan	Start date time GPS	Dive start Expected surf.date	Water depth	Latitude Longitude	Date (UTC) Time (UTC) Wave height Wind (m/s) Ice coverage	
01	4938F	4684	262	17-12-02 14:52	18-12-02 16-02-04	3497	66°00.27'S 00°10.30'E	18-12-02 20:28 0 0 7	
02	49755	4701	263	17-12-02 14:38	18-12-02 16-02-04	3960	65°29.90'S 00°00.10'E	19-12-02 04:34 0 0 5	

Float	No.			Start		Launch	Launch		
03	5F0EB	6083	270	16-12-02 18:50	17-12-02 17-02-04	3758	65°00.31'S 00°00.36'E	19-12-02 11:13 0 5 4	
04	498F0	4707	264	17-12-02 18:31	18-12-02 16-02-04	4670	64°30.36'S 00°00.40'E	20-12-02 00:04 0 4 4	
05	49E14	4728	265	17-12-02 18:21	18-12-02 16-02-04	5200	64°00.18'S 00°00.30'E	20-12-02 03:04 0 6	
06	49E47	4729	266	20-12-02 18:12	21-12-02 17-02-04	5414	62°33.87'S 04°11.42'E	22-12-02 03:22 2 8 0	
07	49EE1	4731	268	21-12-02 10:13	22-12-02 16-02-04	5383	63°17.97'S 06°15.10'E	22-12-02 18:43 1 3 0	
80	5F101	6084	271	21-12-02 15:37	22-12-02 16-02-04	4926	63°43.23'S 07°32.18'E	23-12-02 02:05 0 5 3	
09	49F0B	4732	269	22-12-02 08:42	23-12-02 17-02-04	5028	64°07.30'S 08°38.93'E	23-12-02 09:22 0 8 2	

**Tab. 2.8-6:** RAFOS float setting positions. Float times are set according to GPS time, which was 14 s late (GPS + 14 s) relative to UTC during this period.

Identifie	rs			Start	Deployments					
AWI project	Sound source SN.	Electr. SN.	AWI mooring	Ping time (GPS)	Water Depth (m)	Latitude Longitude	Date UTC Time UTC	Wave height (m)	Wind (m/s)	
W1	49	14	229-5	00:35	5200	63°57.23'S 00°00.21'W	10-12-02 18:45	0	13	
W2	19	19	231-5	01:05	4542	66°30.56'S 00°02.03'W	18-12-02 10:41	0	5	
VV3	21	21	240-1	01:35	5173	64°29.49'S 09°49.53'W	2312-02 15:40	0	9	

Tab. 2.8-7: Position of sound source moorings.

#### 2.9 Tracer measurements

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CFCs and Tritium are transient tracers of anthropogenic origin. Measured distributions of these tracers provide information on the renewal of subsurface water from the ocean surface layer on decadal time scales. Sections on the Greenwich Meridian investigated during ANT-X/4 (1992), ANT-XIII/4 (1996) and ANT-XV/4 (1998) were repeated to evaluate the increase of the tracer concentrations in time. The comparison between the atmospheric and the *in-situ* increase will be used to study transport processes. In addition new sections in the east will provide information of the inflow from the east into the Weddell Sea.

All samples taken during the cruise will be analysed in the laboratory after the cruise. The waters samples for CFCs were taken from the rosette water sampler and were stored in flame-sealed ampoules for later analysis. Along the Greenwich Meridian 36 stations were sampled, along the section between 0° and the GeoBox thirteen stations, in the GeoBox six stations and along 23 °E 14 stations. Overall 1007 water samples for CFCs were taken. They will be extracted after the cruise and analysed with a mass spectrometer.

Snow samples for tritium measurements were taken at 25 locations along the entire cruise. This includes eight samples from icebergs, four samples from the shelf-ice and thirteen samples from ice floes. All gases will be extracted from the Tritium samples which will then be stored for half a year. After this time a sufficient amount of Tritium will have decayed to <sup>3</sup>He and can be measured by the mass spectrometer. This will help to improve the global Tritium input function and give more details about the local precipitation.

#### 2.10 Naturally occurring radionuclides as tracers for water mass characterisation

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Natural radioactivity in the oceans originates mainly from three sources: cosmogenic nuclides, <sup>40</sup>K and decay products of the naturally occurring decay chains <sup>238</sup>U, <sup>235</sup>U and <sup>232</sup>Th. Especially isotopes of the latter find a wealth of applications in the study of oceanic reaction and transport processes taking place on time scales from hours and days to years. According to their geochemical behaviour in sea water, the radionuclides can be grouped after their respective particle-reactivity. For example, given, radium and actinium tend to stay in solution while thorium or protactinium are quickly scavenged by particles and subsequently transported to the seafloor. Disequilibria between parent and daughter nuclides are the consequence of this partitioning. While particle transport processes are investigated by means of adsorption-prone isotopes, water mass studies rely on elements having a soluble behaviour. The supply of the rather mobile elements to the water column is mostly by diffusion from sediments through decay from a particlereactive parent while their distribution in the water column is governed by their respective half-lives.

During expedition ANT-XX/2, <sup>234</sup>Th, <sup>226</sup>Ra, <sup>228</sup>Ra and <sup>227</sup>Ac have been sampled in surface waters and on selected vertical profiles. <sup>234</sup>Th has been measured in order to estimate the export production from the upper water column into deeper water layers and will be presented in further detail in the chapter 2.11.5. SYNPART Project.

<sup>226</sup>Ra and <sup>228</sup>Ra sampling program

Both <sup>226</sup>Ra and <sup>228</sup>Ra (half-lives 1600 yrs and 5.8 yrs, respectively) are released to the water column from the sediment through decay of thorium isotopes, but in consequence of a difference in parent distribution and half-life, the release of <sup>226</sup>Ra is strongest from deep-sea sediments while 228Ra accumulates to high activities in shallow water regions.

- Sampling for <sup>226</sup>Ra has been carried out with regard to two objectives:
  (1) the quantitative determination of <sup>226</sup>Ra provides a simple means to convert <sup>226</sup>Ra/<sup>228</sup>Ra activity ratios into absolute <sup>228</sup>Ra activities (see below).
- (2) It is the most abundant of the radium isotopes in open ocean waters and is best suited to study the biogeochemistry of radium in the marine environment, i.e. its behaviour as a biointermediate element.

Radium has been considered as a water mass tracer with a nutrient-like distribution (BROECKER et al. 1967). Based on the similarity of vertical water column profiles of 226Ra and Si, it was hypothesised that siliceous tests act as a main carrier phase for <sup>226</sup>Ra (Ku et al. 1970, Ku & Lin 1976). Given the predominance of diatoms over other phytoplankton species in the Southern Ocean, the relation should hold especially in circumpolar waters. However, results from previous cruises have indicated that the uptake of <sup>226</sup>Ra continues north of the Polar Front after the near depletion of Si, pointing to a decoupling of both parameters.

Besides the subsampling necessary for the <sup>228</sup>Ra analysis, <sup>226</sup>Ra was sampled on three selected vertical water column profiles (Fig. 2.10-1) in conjunction with nutrient

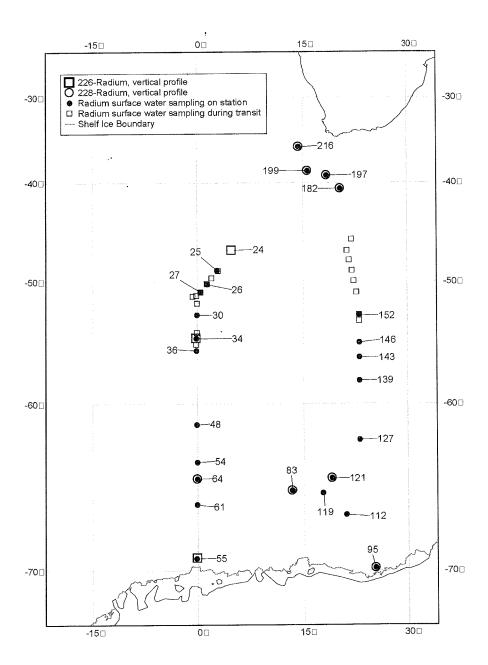


Fig. 2.10-1: Sampling chart for radium and actinium during ANT-XX/2. Numbers refer to official stations, full labelling should read: PS63-xxx.

analysis in order to get a better idea of the biogeochemical processes governing the distribution of <sup>226</sup>Ra in southern circumpolar waters.

<sup>228</sup>Ra has been used widely (e.g. Kaufmann et al. 1973, Reid et al. 1979, Moore et al. 1986, Rutgers van der Loeff et al. 1995) as a tracer for prolonged contact of water masses with continental shelf areas. It is a daughter product of <sup>232</sup>Th, which is common in most sediment types but nearly absent in sea water due to its particle reactive behaviour. In contrast, radium is soluble in sea water and can accumulate to high activities over fine-grained sediment. According to its half-life of 5.8 years, the activity of <sup>228</sup>Ra will decrease with distance from the source and is extremely low in the open ocean.

Dependant on the geographic region, the sampling for <sup>228</sup>Ra during ANT-XX/2 was performed under different aspects (Fig. 2-10-1):

### Polar Frontal Region

In the context of iron as a growth-limiting factor for the primary productivity of the Southern Ocean, the oceanic fronts within the Antarctic Circumpolar Current (ACC) and especially the Polar Front have been suggested as effective transport mechanisms for iron released from continental shelf sediments and transported eastwards with ACC (DE BAAR et al. 1995, LÖSCHER at al. 1997). If the shelf areas represent indeed important source areas of iron for the open South Atlantic, this should be mirrored by increased  $^{228}$ Ra activities. Results from previous cruises indicate an ambiguous picture, pointing to rather sporadic inputs that are highly variable in both space and time. Hence, high resolution sampling of the Polar Frontal Region along 0° and 23 °E was done in order to get a better picture of the variability of possible shallow water inputs with the Polar Front.

#### South-Eastern Weddell Gyre

Inflow of North Atlantic Deep Water into the Weddell Gyre takes place in its south-eastern corner (ORSI et al. 1993), a region where currently only very few natural radionuclide data are available for (GEIBERT et al. 2002, HANFLAND 2002). The determination of <sup>228</sup>Ra will help to demarcate the extension of coastal waters into the Weddell Gyre.

## Agulhas (Return) Current

Intense mixing of subtropical and subantarctic water masses takes place in the region south of South Africa. Occlusion of the retroflecting Agulhas Current generates rings that move northwestwards into the Atlantic while perturbations in the flow of the Agulhas Current lead to the spawning of both cyclonic and anticyclonic eddies (LUTJEHARMS 1996, BOEBEL et al. 2003). The mixing waters carry very distinct <sup>228</sup>Ra signals, a feature that should help especially in a better distinction of the origin of cyclonic eddies. While waters moving north from the Antarctic zone are typically low in <sup>228</sup>Ra, cyclones developing along the South African coast in the course of a Natal Pulse can be expected to carry a strong coastal signal.

Four stations had been sampled for <sup>228</sup>Ra within the Agulhas Retroflection Area (Fig. 2.10-2):

PS 63-182: cyclonic eddy PS 63-197: Agulhas Retroflection

PS 63-199: cyclonic eddy PS 63-216: Agulhas ring

A highly variable, mesoscale flow field dominates the Agulhas Region. To obtain samples as close as possible to the end-members of each regime, an identification of these mesoscale features during the cruise was mandatory. Using steric sea-surface height anomalies (SSH data) from MODAS (Modular Ocean Data Assimilation System), the location of cyclones and anticyclones was achieved in real-time. Daily MODAS SSH fields were uploaded to RV POLARSTERN by the Stennis Space Center at the Naval Research Lab, Mississippi in real time. MODAS-SSH data have recently been shown to provide a highly reliable view of the overall distribution of the mesoscale flow field (BOEBEL & BARRON 2003) in this region. Modulations in the SSH field are directly related to ocean currents, which flow along SSH isolines with higher SSH values to their left when looking downstream (Fig. 2.10-2).

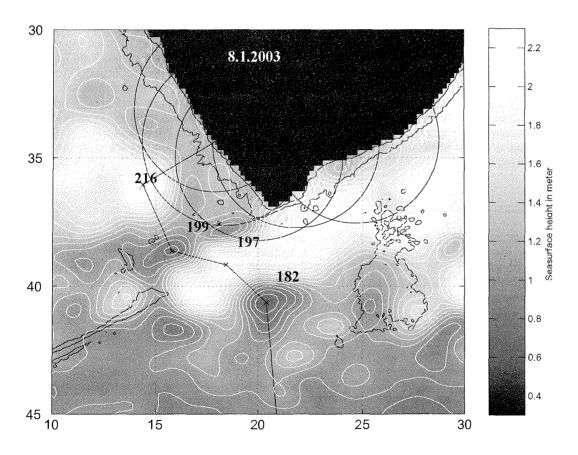


Fig. 2.10-2: Steric sea-surface height (SSH) from MODAS from January 18, 2003. Similar plots were produced for each day and the cruise track adjusted as to sample the water in each features' centre.

The reliability of the actual MODAS SSH fields was tested during the cruise by monitoring the depth of the 10 °C isotherm. The latter should be located at depths around 800 m when an anticyclone is traversed, or alternatively, at 300-500 m when encountering cyclones. This was indeed the case when XBT casts succeeded, though between PS63-197 and PS63-199 only few XBT profiles were collected due to bad weather.

Figure 2-10-2 shows the situation on January 18, 2003. The first eddy sampled near 40°37'S (PS63-182) shows a local SSH minimum and hence represents a cyclonic circulation pattern, which we traced back in time to a subantarctic origin. PS63-197 on the other hand is located at the local SSH maximum indicative of the Agulhas Retroflection proper.

A cyclone north of the Agulhas Retroflection might have subantarctic (Atlantic) or subtropical/Indian origin (a Natal Pulse) or might have been formed locally (Boebel et al. 2003). One such cyclone has been probed during PS63-199. In contrast to the previous two locations, this feature is not expected to display end-members but a mix of Indian and Atlantic water types.

The same holds true for the last station in a matured Agulhas Ring (anticyclone) sampled during PS63-216. While travelling north, these features have been shown to entrain surrounding waters, which could be of subantarctic and/or subtropical origin.

### <sup>227</sup>Ac sampling program

<sup>227</sup>Ac (half-life 21 yrs) is almost exclusively released from deep-sea sediments into bottom waters. Any excess activity over its parent nuclide <sup>231</sup>Pa in the upper water column indicates rapid upwelling of deeper water masses (GEIBERT et al. 2002). Sampling for <sup>227</sup>Ac at the sea surface follows the same procedure as described for <sup>228</sup>Ra (see below). Determination of the <sup>227</sup>Ac activity will be done on all surface water samples in the Weddell Gyre and on the vertical stations PS63-64, PS63-83 and PS63-121. The combined analysis of <sup>227</sup>Ac and <sup>228</sup>Ra will allow a better distinction of deep upwelling versus lateral input of water masses in the southeastern Weddell Gyre.

#### Additional sampling

Samples for the determination of <sup>231</sup>Pa and <sup>230</sup>Th in the water column were taken on three selected vertical profiles. These samples will be analysed by the University of Kiel (group Scholten/Fietzke).

Additionally, three samples of Weddell Sea Deep Water were taken for the analysis of the isotopic composition of Cadmium (analysis by Rehkamper, ETH Zürich).

#### Methods

#### <sup>226</sup>Ra

20 I of sea water were taken either directly from the ship's sea water supply or sampled from the CTD. Surface water samples were run through a 1µm-prefilter to remove particulate matter. Particle concentrations from samples taken below the mixed layer

were so low that filtering was not necessary. The samples were then weighed to determine the sample size. Even in rough seas, this is accurate to at least 100 g which equals an error of 0.5 % for 20 kg. A pre-weighed aliquot (100 ml) of a BaCl<sub>2</sub>-solution that had been prepared before the cruise was added under constant stirring to every 20 I water sample to precipitate radium as Ba(Ra)SO<sub>4</sub>, making use of the natural sulfate content in sea water. After at least one hour of further mixing on the magnetic stirrer, the crystals were recovered by decantation and centrifugation and washed several times to remove any interfering ions.

At home, the dried and weighed precipitates will be filled in plastic tubes, sealed and set aside for about three weeks to allow the short-lived daughters  $^{214}$ Pb and  $^{214}$ Bi to grow into equilibrium with their parent  $^{226}$ Ra. After establishment of a secular equilibrium, the sample will be counted by  $\gamma$ -spectrometry.

 $^{228}\text{Ra}$  and  $^{227}\text{Ac}$  sampling was performed with MnO2-coated cartridges that had been prepared before the cruise by immersion overnight at 70 °C in a bath of a saturated KMnO4 solution. The radionuclides get adsorbed on the MnO2-coating. For surface water samples, a filter system was connected to the ship's sea water supply. The water sample was run through an uncoated cartridge (1  $\mu m$ ) for removing particulate matter, two MnO2-coated cartridges put in series and a flowmeter for recording the sample volume. Typical sample volumes were between 1 and 3 m³. Sampling on vertical water profiles was performed with six time-programmed pumping units, equally loaded with a prefilter and two coated cartridges. The pumps were let on depth for 2.5 hrs and filtered about 1 m³ of sea water.

In the home lab, the coated cartridges will be rinsed with deionised water and dried. Further processing of the samples involves acid-leaching of the cartridges, separation of the different isotope fractions by repeated precipitation and ion-exchange chromatography and determination of the respective activities by alpha- or gamma-spectrometry. Due to their extremely low activities, <sup>228</sup>Ra and <sup>227</sup>Ac will be analysed via their daughter-nuclides <sup>228</sup>Th and <sup>227</sup>Th, respectively (Moore 1972, Li et al. 1980, Geibert 2002).

As the adsorption of radionuclides on cartridges is seldom quantitaive, the results must be corrected for their efficiency (E). For <sup>228</sup>Ra, the cartridges yield <sup>228</sup>Ra/<sup>226</sup>Ra activity ratios that are converted to absolute <sup>228</sup>Ra activities by means of the <sup>226</sup>Ra subsamples. <sup>227</sup>Ac is determined by using the cartridge formula: E = 1-B/A, where A and B are the two cartridges put in line (RUTGERS VAN DER LOEFF & MOORE 1999).

For the determination of <sup>227</sup>Ac activities on depth profiles, it was planned to use a delayed coincidence counter system (Moore & Arnold 1996). However, when in operation on board, the counting unit proved to have several substantial problems. First, the manganese adsorbers dried within about half an hour, with the effect of large changes in counting efficiency. The counting of test samples showed additionally intervals of increased background activity. These intervals were irregular in time, and the activity too variable to allow reliable counting of the samples. Therefore, a different method of sampling was applied. To the water samples (12-60 I) NH<sub>4</sub>OH, KMnO<sub>4</sub>, and MnCl<sub>2</sub> were added in small amounts to produce a MnO<sub>2</sub> precipitation that adsorbs <sup>227</sup>Ac quantitatively. Later, the precipitate was filtered onto 142 mm diameter polycarbonate filters with 1 µm pore size. <sup>234</sup>Th was counted on the filters as a yield tracer for the

MnO₂. Back in the home lab, the samples containing the <sup>227</sup>Ac will be dissolved, purified and counted via the more sensitive □-spectrometric method.

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#### 2.11 Geoscientific investigations

## **2.11.1 Bathymetric investigations in the eastern Weddell Sea** Sonja Gütz, Alexander Iffland and Anton Obermüller)

During cruise ANT-XX/2 of RV POLARSTERN the swathsonar system HYDROSWEEP was used to obtain new bathymetric data from the Larazev and Riiser-Larsen seas. Another important goal for the bathymetry group was to support the other projects especially physical oceanography and marine geology by supplying informations on detailed morphological sea floor structures and updated working charts (Fig. 2.11-1).

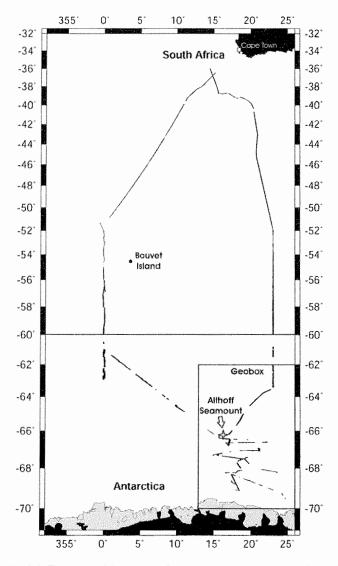


Fig. 2.11-1: Trackplot of the collected HYDROSWEEP data during ANT-XX/2

For physical oceanographers several mooring stations surveys were carried out to add necessary information on the ocean seafloor topography. The obtained depth and morphological information is an important prerequisite for the interpretation of current behaviour at mooring stations and fundamental for further station planning before deploying a new mooring. Therefore, collected data were visualized together with previously gathered data sets in large-scale charts and provided for planning activities.

The main area of geological interest during this expedition was the "GeoBox" covering the area between 62-70 °S and 13-26 °E. Within this area a channel system in the southern Riiser-Larsen Sea was main objective to "partly" systematic measurements. The spatial depth data collected with the swathsonar system were used to correlate with the information retrieved from the measurements by the sedimentsonar Parasound and to identify appropriate locations for sediment sampling. At these sites gravity corer and multicorer were deployed.

Finally all "partial" surveys of the HYDROSWEEP swathsonar system contributed to add more accurate data to the poor data density in the Southern Oceans and to enlarge the range of data available for international bathymetric charts such as the GEBCO (General Bathymetric Chart of the Oceans) and the AWI BCWS (Bathymetric Chart of the Weddell Sea).

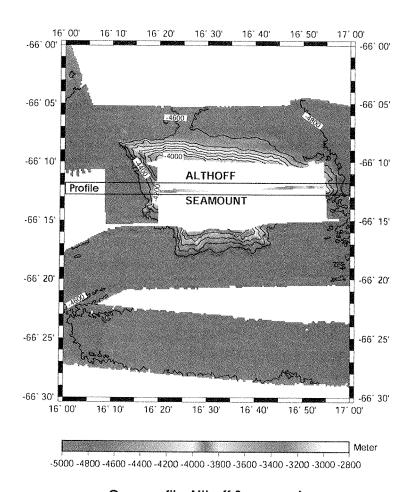
Most of the measurements have - with respect to areal coverage - to be considered "partly or partially" because due to obligations by the German Federal Environmental Agency (UBA), the Hydrosweep system had to be shut down south of latitude 60 °S when marine mammals (i.e. whales and seals) were identified or sighted within a range of 3 km around the vessel. Not before 20 minutes after the last sighting of a marine mammal, the Hydrosweep system could be re-started with a "soft start procedure" in order to avoid harming of marine mammals in the vicinity of the vessel. According to this "procedure", energy was increased over a time period of one hour until full measurements and data acquisition were possible.

Technically this "soft start procedure" was subdivided in three separate steps, each of them lasting for 20 minutes. With each step the emitted intensity was slowly increased. Step 1 was a shallow water search mode with a swath width of 20°, Step 2 was a shallow water mode with a 120° swath width and Step 3 was already a deep sea mode with 90° swath width but alternating directions. The full measurement mode of the system was reached not earlier than one hour and 20 minutes after the last sighting of a mammal.

Due to these obligations (and restrictions) south of 60 °S profiling was very incomplete and as a result areal data coverage was poor as demonstrated at Althoff Seamount.

Earlier cruises in 1990 and 2000 discovered a rapidly changing seafloor and rough bottom topography in the waters at 66° to 66°30' S and 16° to 17°E. This led to the assumption of the existence of a larger seamount in that particular area. During ANT-XX/2, therefore, it was planned to carry out a more complete survey of these waters to get a better idea of extend, height and structural position of this feature. Approaching the area several whales were sighted and consequently the swath and sediment penetrating sonar systems (HYDROSWEEP and PARASOUND) had to be shut down. Only a single line crossing the structure could be obtained by the DWS echosounder revealing an approximate idea of the structure of this feature (Fig. 2.11-2). However, for any more

precise scientific interpretation a three dimensional spatial representation is needed, which can only be achieved by multibeam surveys. Nevertheless, by its general outline this feature was classified a seamount and named in April 2003 at a meeting of SCUFN (GEBCO Sub-Committee on Undersea Feature Names) "ALTHOFF SEAMOUNT" after Friedrich Althoff (\*19/2/1839 †20/10/1909). Althoff was a lawyer and later a Prussian politician for culture- and science during the period of 1882-1907 with extraordinary efficacy. He was a professor for civil law before joining the Prussian Ministry for Culture where he became the director in 1897. Althoff was an active promoter or the expansion of German universities and scientific institutions. He focussed his energy especially on the famous Valdivia expedition in 1899 which led into the southern Atlantic Ocean. During this expedition, among others, Bouvet Island was discovered.



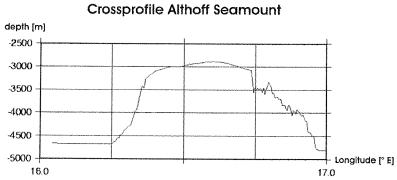


Fig. 2.11-2: Topographic map of the Althoff Seamount above and the crossprofile (bottom)

#### 2.11.2 Sediment characterization by echosounding and sampling

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The reconstruction of the paleoclimatic and paleoceanographic development of the late Quaternary Southern Ocean and adjacent continental areas in high temporal and spatial resolution is a main goal of our long-term study. During ANT-XX/2 the sedimentary budget of biogenic and terrigenous components and their variability was investigated in cooperation geochemical projects. Main objectives were the relationships between production of biogenic components and input of terrigenous components and involved nutrients. Therefore in addition to surface samples long sediment cores were recovered on the transects across the Polar Frontal Zone (Tab. 2-11.1) for the following projects:

- Establishment of a high resolution stratigraphy of the obtained sediment sections (isotope stratigraphy, AMS-<sup>14</sup>C age determinations, magnetic susceptibility),
- Quantification and reconstruction of terrigenous sediment supply and its distribution by paleocurrents (high-resolution granulometry, bulk and clay mineralogy, heavy minerals, geochemical tracers),
- Identification and quantification of biogenic and terrigenous components and their variation during glacial and interglacial, periods.
- Correlation of the marine sedimentary record with Antarctic ice core records and reconstruction of paleoenvironmental conditions.

The ship-mounted Parasound system (Krupp Atlas Electronics, Bremen, Germany) is a sub-bottom echosounder. It generates two primary sound waves at frequencies of 18 kHz and of 20.5-23.5 kHz. As a result of the parametric effect, a secondary frequency between 2.5 and 5.5 kHz is produced at a very narrow angle of 4°. This provides much higher horizontal resolution at a penetration depth comparable to that of other sediment-echosounding devices.

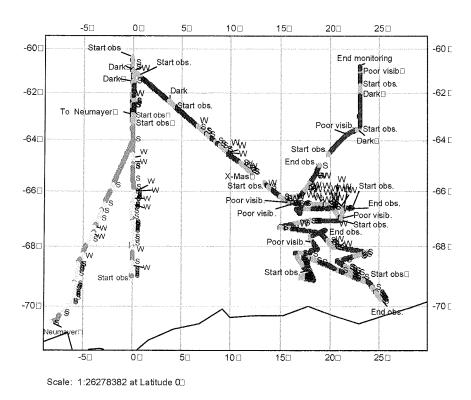
The Parasound device is attached to an analogue printer (Atlas DESO 25). The analogue signal is then digitised and post-processed using the PC-based PARADIGMA software (Spiess 1993). Digital data are stored on hard disk (later on CD) and printed simultaneously on a colour printer. Important data such as time, geographic position, and water depths are continuously plotted on a third printing device.

For geological work on board Polarstern the Parasound system is the most important tool. Stations for taking geological samples from the seafloor can only be planned properly with information based on Parasound data. The echosounding data recovered during transit between stations are also very important for marine geological work.

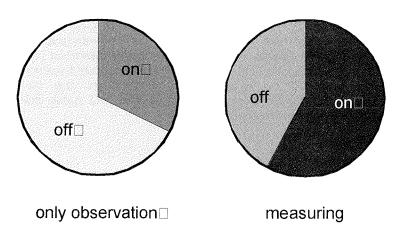
Therefore, the PARASOUND survey during ANT-XX/2 should cover the following goals and targets in addition to those relevant for the Riiser Larsen Sea:

- Mapping sediment distribution patterns along transects across the Polar Frontal Zone (areas of non deposition and high accumulation),
- To interpolate sediment budget and to identify transport processes of terrigenous and biogenic components to the seafloor during past climate periods,
- To identify areas showing sedimentary sequences of high temporal resolution,

• To provide information for the selection of locations for sediment coring (site surveys for future expeditions).







**Fig. 2.11-3:** Cruise track south of 60 °S indicating distances with shutdown HYDROSWEEP and PARASOUND systems due to seals (S) or whales (W). The distance with measuring systems (black) was only 44 % of total distance.

In total 5400 nm of the cruise track were measured with the PARASOUND system. South of 60 °S more then 50 % of these targets could not been reached because of frequent shutdowns of the acoustic devices related to restrictive obligations by the German Environmental Agency (UBA) with respect to marine mammals protection. Furthermore, scientific interpretation of these data will be severely hampered by the frequent gaps in the data collection or will in many cases not be possible at all. Therefore, the collected profiles are of even less scientific value.

With operating Parasound system a total of 58 % of the transit tracks were measured (Fig. 2.11-3). Because of difficulties during operation and avoiding damage of the towed hydroacoustic mammal monitoring streamer, the Parasound system was switched off on the southern part of the Prime Meridian profile and during very heavy sea ice conditions. Therefore, south of 60 °S altogether on only 44 % of the total travel distance sediment acoustic data could be collected.

To minimize the acoustic emission the pulse length of the transmitted sound was selected to 2. This is equal to a very short pulse length of 0.5 ms at an operating frequency of 4 kHz. After shut down due to marine mammal observation the system was very slowly restarted 20 minutes after last sighting of a marine mammal. This procedure to slowly increase the emitted sound (Tab. 2.11-2) to scare away marine mammals took one hour and was conducted 98 times during ANT-XX/2 (equal to four days of potential profiling without any scientific data). This frequent on/off operation was very stressful for the system and ruined the inrush current limiter (which was bypassed later).

Many problems with the online inkjet printers and errors (wrong position or time and date) in the record headers of the digitised data occurred throughout the whole cruise. This has destroyed data and will make data processing a time consuming work. Therefore, an upgrade of the Parasound system (DS3) is absolutely needed. A software controlled start-up procedure and a software control of sound transmission should be inserted to reduce ping rate and sound emission.

Sites for sampling the seafloor were selected according to the Parasound data. All together 58 surface samples were collected with the Multicorer (MUC) or the Minicorer (MIC), the latter installed 20 m below the CTD (Tab. 2.11-1), a configuration that saved a couple of hours of station time. The water column at the hydrographic CTD stations was sampled for seawater stable isotope composition of dissolved inorganic carbon  $\Box^{13}C_{DIC}$  and  $\Box^{1\square}\Box$  at 43 stations (Tab. 2.11-3). With the collected surface samples the sediment composition will be mapped and material for the development of micropaleontological transfer functions and trace element and stable isotope analyses of benthic forams and ostracodes is available.

## 2.11.3 Physical properties of the sediment cores Gerd Kuhn

Sediment cores were taken with a gravity corer (SL) and a piston corer (KOL) on 18 stations during the cruise (Tab. 2.11-1). Physical properties like sediment density, p-wave velocity, and magnetic susceptibility were measured on the collected sediment cores with a GEOTEK multi-sensor core logger (MSCL). For calculation of these values core diameter and temperature were measured in addition (Tab. 2.11-4).

For calibration the following parameter were used in the logger settings of the MSCL software (version 6) or afterwards:

- Temperature calibrated with Hg-thermometer:  $T = 0.003754 \times -23.518995 R^2 = 0.99968$
- Core thickness (displacement) with distance pieces
   D = 0.0019394 x 1.0001728 R<sup>2</sup> = 0.99979
- p-wave travel time with a water core of known temperature and theoretical sound velocity.
  - offset for gravity corer (SL) 7.79 µs and for piston corer (KOL) 8.15 µs (Tab. 2.11-4)
- Gamma ray attenuation measurement and density calculation
   calculation with equation type y = -Ax² + Bx + C
   The coefficients A, B, and C were determined with measurements on calibration
   cores with defined density steps (GEOTEK calibration software) for the gravity corer

with  $y = 0.0001x^2 - 0.0682x + 10.126$ ,  $R^2 = 0.9996$ 

 $y = 0.00002x^2 - 0.0595x + 10.049$ ,  $R^2 = 0.9998$ 

A and B, the linearity of the detector, were constant during the cruise. C, the sensitivity of the detector (I<sub>0</sub> drift), was variable (Fig. 2.11-4) and determined with a constant attenuation measurement (PVC-core) before each sediment core measurement. The values are stored in the calibration files for each core and the variability of In(Io) for the gravity corers (Fig. 2.11-5) and piston corers (Fig. 2.11-6) reached maximum -7 % deviation (PS63/149-3).

Magnetic susceptibility

and for the piston corer

data were stored as sensor units and calculated for volume magnetic susceptibility (Tab. 2.11-4). Corrections for sensor drift during measurement and recalculation of core top and bottom data have been applied.

Gravity corer sensor units times 6.391 Piston corer sensor units times 14.584

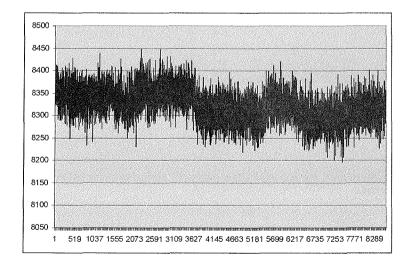
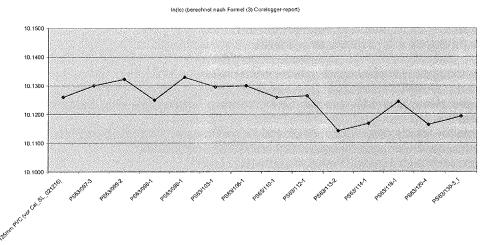


Fig. 2.11-4: Stability of the gamma-ray detector: counts over 23 hours



 $\textbf{Fig. 2.11-5:} \ \textbf{Stability of the } \ l_0\text{-gamma attenuation measured during the cruise before measuring the gravity corer sediment cores.}$ 

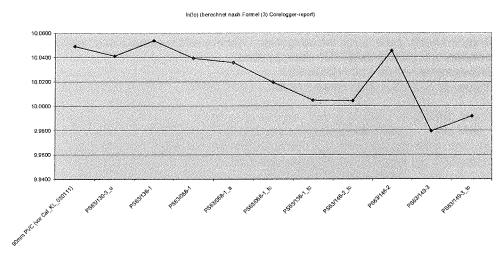


Fig. 2.11-6: Stability of the  $I_0$ -gamma attenuation measured during the cruise before measuring the piston corer sediment cores.

All data were graphically controlled and bad values at core section boundaries were removed. The data will be stored in the database PANGAEA (<a href="www.pangaea.de">www.pangaea.de</a>).

First results and comparison with studied sediment cores showed nicely recorded cycles in magnetic susceptibility variations in core PS63/149-3. Low values are characteristic for warm climate periods (Holocene, marine isotope stage 5) with high accumulation of biogenic silicate. During cold climate periods accumulation of terrigenous material was higher and increases magnetic susceptibility values (Fig. 2.11-7).

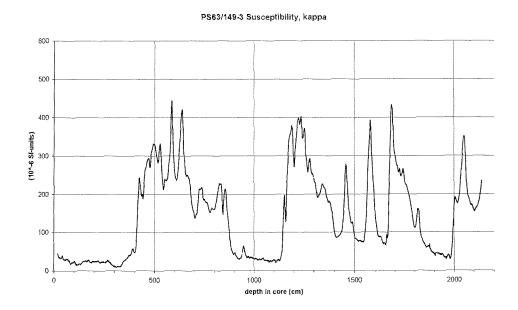


Fig. 2.11-7: Volume corrected magnetic susceptibility values from sediment core PS63/149-3.

#### 2.11.4 Dynamics of a channel-levee system in the Riiser Larsen Sea Christian Hass

The goal of this part of the marine geological investigations includes the investigation of a broad system of channels and levees on the continental slope of the Riiser Larsen Sea. The major focus of the investigations is placed on mapping the working area in order to get an idea on the extent of this system. Channels form through dense water masses that flow down the continental slope. However, whether turbidity currents or colder and/or more saline waters than the ambient water masses form these dense waters are not known. Thus, the investigations aim at discovering the sources and reconstructing the principal processes that lead to channel formation in this area. A further goal is to investigate whether the channels are presently active pathways or whether they are old and/or pre-designed structures.

Levees frame the majority of the channels. Results from an earlier investigation (ANT-XVII/2) suggest adequate sediment accumulation rates for high-resolution climate reconstructions. Levee formation is closely linked to the processes that form the adjacent channels. Thus investigations of the levees provide also information on channel activity and its links to climate development.

Mapping was planned to be accomplished by PARASOUND sediment profiling the structure of the upper sediment layers and HYDROSWEEP swath sounding for bathymetry. Sediment samples were taken using a gravity corer (SL) and a multicorer (MUC).

#### PARASOUND profiling

The major goals and tasks of the PARASOUND surveys were:

- to provide information on the general acoustic characteristics of the sediments (sediment types). These include penetration, and structure of the sediment;
- to provide information on the horizontal extension of different sediment types and distinct reflectors in the sediment column;
- to provide information in order to aid selecting core locations (site surveys);
- to provide information on acoustic reflectors that shall be identified in sediment cores.
- to contribute to a mapping of the sediment characteristics of channels and related levees in the Riiser Larsen Sea.
- to classify sediment types that reveal information on sedimentation processes,
- to discover areas with sediments of high temporal resolution,
- to reconstruct and characterize pathways and processes of sediment-transport

Within the working area (western Riiser Larsen Sea) a total track of 2169 nm was accomplished in order to carry out Parasound profiling and *Hydrosweep* mapping. However due to the restrictive obligations for the usage of hydroacoustic systems by the Federal German Environmental Agency (UBA) in order to protect marine mammals only a patchy fraction of the track could be measured. Only 969 nm - equivalent to only 45 % the total track - were recorded by Parasound and Hydrosweep respectively; 1200 nm (55 %) were not recorded (Fig. 2.11-8). The sonar systems were shut down very irregularly, sometimes within a channel, on top of a levee or even right before a channel-levee structure. Thus in-depth investigations of sedimentary processes and structural features of channels and levees that require information on entire channel-levee systems were largely prevented. The information gained from this survey is of

only very limited use since propagation of sedimentary features across channel-levee systems could not be measured in the majority of the cases. Gaps in the profile lines may hide second- or third-order channels that may be small but that can significantly affect sedimentary processes if situated on levee flanks.

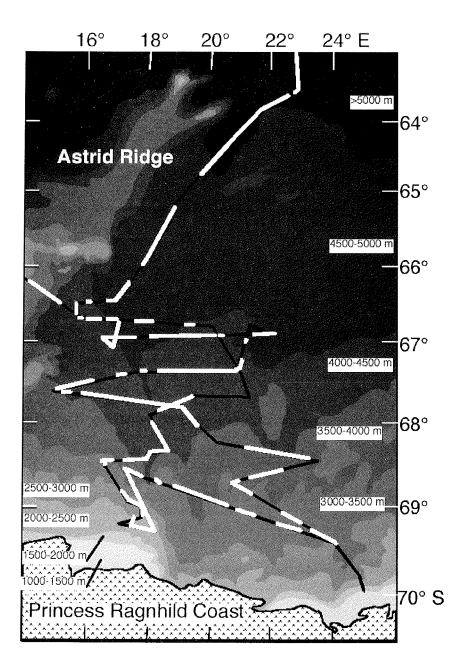


Fig. 2.11-8: Cruise track in the Riiser Larsen Sea where channel/levee systems should be mapped and the acoustic systems were shut down at 55 % (dark lines).

Despite the incomplete survey data the following results can be extracted: Channel/levee systems form the most common relief structure in this part of the Riiser Larsen Sea. The channels reveal typical structures with very low sound penetration suggesting hard and/or coarse-grained sediments. The western sides of the channels are usually flanked by levees that show up to 200 m of acoustically well-stratified sediments. Within the levees sometimes smaller, second or third-order channels form; building up smaller levees that sit on the large channel levees. Wherever possible the map of the working area that was worked out based on ANT-XVII/2 data (THIEDE &OERTER 2002) was updated.

#### Sediment coring

The planning was to carry out a precise Parasound survey and then select core locations on the basis of that survey. Since the survey data were not reliable in terms of continuity due to the above-mentioned restrictions all but two positions had to be selected based on data of an earlier expedition (ANT-XVII/2; Thiede & Oerter 2002). During the ANT-XVII/2 expedition a number of important locations had already been sampled, thus, additional sediment cores taken during ANT-XX/2 must be rated of only less importance.

Long sediment cores (up to 13.8 m length) were taken using a gravity corer. The gravity corer includes a 2 t weight on the top and a variable number of steel pipes of 5 (3) m length each attached to the weight. Inside the steel pipes are plastic liners (12 cm  $\varnothing$ ). Attached to the base of the gravity corer a core catcher is mounted that prevents the sediment core from sliding out of the plastic liners. Once recovered, the 5 (3 m) m plastic liners were cut into 1 m pieces. Subsequently the 1 m pieces were logged using a multisensor core logger. Undisturbed surface samples were recovered using a multicorer equipped with 12 tubes (6 cm  $\varnothing$ , 60 cm tube length). Multicorer lengths were usually around 30 cm. On every geological station within the working area gravity corer and multicorer were deployed.

Due to time consuming marine-mammal-watches related to the PARASOUND and HYDROSWEEP profiling projects, opening of the sediment cores, core descriptions, sampling, X-radiography, colour scans, photographs, and further analyses could not be carried out on board.

A total of 17 locations within the working area were sampled (Fig. 2.11-9). Two locations were selected upon new Parasound data, 13 stations were selected on the basis of ANT XVII/2 data, three stations were sampled upon occasion at a CTD station and during transit.

Nine inner-channel locations were sampled. In every case the surface sediments consisted of very soft silty clay and could easily be cored using the multicorer. However, the gravity corer was not able to penetrate deeper than two meters. On five mid-channel locations the gravity corer was recovered empty suggesting that physically very hard sub-surface sediments prevented penetration. On one of these locations the damaged core catcher visibly released a small amount of sediment (i.e. all of the approx. 30-50 cm of sediment that made it up to the sea surface) when the corer came out of the water. Three of the mid-channel locations allowed to recover 147, 148, and 94 cm, respectively, of the sediment column (PS63/099-2, 105-2, 114-1). At two of these

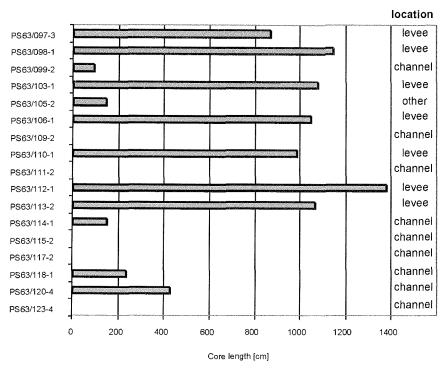


Fig. 2.11-9: Core recovery and length in the Riiser Larsen Sea in relation to location.

locations the coring gear was severely damaged. Cores PS 63/099-2 and PS63/105-2 obviously got stuck in very dense and water depleted sediments that included larger stones (several cm  $\varnothing$ ) in a yellowish silty-clayey matrix. These sediments significantly differed from all sediments cored in the Riiser Larsen Sea; it is presumably much older than the overlying softer sediments. Core PS63/114-1 went undamaged back on deck, but revealed only 147 cm of sediment. The corer was obviously not able to penetrate a convolutedly bedded coarse-sand layer that occurred at the base of the recovered core. One of the cores (PS63/120-4) was taken on transit from the lower northern area of the western channel. It revealed 427 cm of soft sediments. Since the PARASOUND system had to be shut down no information on the position of this core location relative to the channel axis could be gained.

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027-2	30.11.20027:43	1342	51°00,20'00°31.31'E		10			SW-Ind. Ridge
028-2	01.12.20021:12	3011	52°01.18'00°06.07'W		35			SW-Ind. Ridge
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032-2	03.12.20026:53	2764	54°00.36'00°06.56'W		30			SW-Ind. Ridge
033-5	03.12.200216:42		54°31.24'00°00.44'W		20			SW-Ind. Ridge
035-2	04.02.20024:53	3427	55°29.45'00°05.47'W		20			SW-Ind. Ridge
037-4	05.12.20022:45	3834	56°55.62'00°05.92'E		24			SW-Ind. Ridge
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068-1	25.12.200221:48	5427	61°00.27'00°00.81'E	KOL/25	1924	2100	TC=88cm	N' Weddell Sea
071-1	21.12.2002 12:31	5375	61°46.75'02°04.50'E	MIC	17			N' Weddell Sea
073-1	22.12.20021:43	5345	62°33.16'04°12.18 <b>'</b> E	MIC	12			Enderby Basin
076-2	22.12.200214:50	5330	63°17.63'06°17.18'E	MUC	37			Enderby Basin
078-1	23.12.20027:36	5190	64°06.85'08°38.54'E		24			Enderby Basin
080-1	23.12.200222:20		64°33.70'09°48.22'E		24			Enderby Basin
081-3	24.12.20027:29	4804	64°53.34'10°56.62'E		36			Astrid Ridge
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005.0	00.40.0000.47.40	1110	00050 04105040 7515	MUO	^			Riiser Larsen
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								Riiser Larsen
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	02.01.200312:48		68°13.14'16°44.67'E			1400	<b>.</b>	Riiser Larsen Sea
						1400		Riiser Larsen
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111-2	04.01.2003	37:39	4509	67°25.69'21°31.40'E	S∐3m	0	0	failed	Sea Riiser Larsen
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112-4	04.01.2003	313:57	4482	67°04.92'21°06.22'E	MUC	38			Riiser Larsen Sea
113-1	04.01.2003	319:26	4459	66°28.52'21°30.61'E	MUC	35			Riiser Larsen Sea
113-2	04.01.2003	321:16	4457	66°28.50'21°30.76'E	SL/15m	1068	1500		Riiser Larsen Sea
114-1	05.01.2003	30:40	4708	66°35.71'22°05.32'E	SL/3m	148	200		Riiser Larsen Sea
114-2	05.01.2003	32:33	4697	66°35.71'22°05.03'E	MUC	37			Riiser Larsen Sea
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130-3	10.01.2003	7:20	5131	61°29.84'22°59.76'E			1200		Enderby Basin
132-1	10.01.2003	17:10	5210	60°53.61'22°59.98'E	KOL/25			aborted	Enderby Basin
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136-2	11.01.2003		5388	59°19.43'22°59.56'E		29			Enderby Basin
139-1	12.01.2003		5370	58°18.84'22°59.76'E			empty	released	Enderby Basin

Station PS63/	Date	Time (UTC)	Water depth (m)	LatidudeLongit. (S)	GEAR	Recov. (cm)	Penetr. (cm)	Remarks	Location
				M				at 4700m	
139-2	12.01.200	314:35	5368	58°17.97'23°00.05'E	MUC	33			Enderby Basin
								released at	
139-3	12.01.200	317:36	5379	58°17.79'22°59.86'E	KOL/20		empty	5200m	Enderby Basin
141-2	13.01.200	37:12	5412	57°30,91'22°59.06'E	MUC	26			Enderby Basin
143-2	13.01.200	320:14	4810	56°30.43'23°00.85'E	MUC	35			Enderby Basin
146-1	14.01.200	310:36	4733	55°19.24'23°00.01'E	MUC	32			Enderby Basin
146-2	14.01.200	3 13:16	4730	55°19.26'23°00.03'E	KOL/20	1782	2100	TC=43cm	Enderby Basin
149-2	15.01.200	36:08	3804	53°57.25'23°02.86'E	MUC	31			SW-Ind. Ridge
149-3	15.01.200	38:43	3805	53°57.32'23°02.87'E	KOL/25	2 <b>1</b> 19	2400	TC=65cm	SW-Ind. Ridge

Tab. 2.11-1: List of surface sediment samples and sediment cores from ANT-XX/2.

Minutes startup	Channel Select	Gain	Mode	Angle	Pulse Length
0 .	NBS	1	1	20	1
10	NBS	10	1	20	1
20	NBS	100	1	20	1
30	PAR/NBS	100	1	20	1
40	PAR/NBS	100	4	20	1
50	PAR/NBS	100	4	4	1
60	PAR/NBS	100	4	4	2

Tab. 2.11-2: Softstart parameter settings of the PARASOUND system.

Station	Gear	Lat. S	Long.	waterdepth, Pmax or. HS	
PS63/024-1	CTD	47°01.46'	04°52.85′ E	4625	0°-Transect
PS63/032-1	CTD	540 0.13'	00°06.42' W	2683	
PS63/033-4	CTD	54°31.47'	00°00.24' W	1565	
PS63/037-3	CTD	56°56,46'	00°04.96' E	3720	
PS63/041-3	CTD	58°28.68'	00°05.77' E	3832	
PS63/043-1	CTD	59°28.65'	00°01.74' W	4628	
PS63/047-1	CTD	60°59.26'	00°02.86' W	5460	
PS63/052-1	CTD	63°00.08′	00°04.87' W	5370	
PS63/057-1	CTD	68°30.36'	00°00.77' W	4300	
PS63/061-4	CTD	66°30.59'	00°00.04' E	4570	
					NW-SE-
PS63/076-3	CTD	63°17.64'	06°17.18' E	5330	Transect
PS63/081-2	CTD	64°53.15'	10°57.54' E	4913	
PS63/082-1	CTD	65°16.90'	12°09.57' E	4145	
PS63/083-1	CTD	65°40.14'	13°21.22' E	2660	
PS63/087-1	CTD	66°27.51'	17°38.36' E	4870	GeoBox South
PS63/090-1	CTD	67°59.48'	20°15.17' E	4052	
PS63/093-1	CTD	69°15.16'	24°08.95' E	3267	
PS63/095-1	CTD	69°53.10'	25°14.00' E	1176	
PS63/100-1	CTD	69°13.53'	17°57.86' E	2508	
PS63/101-1	CTD	68°49.38'	17°59.27' E	3700	
PS63/104-1	CTD	68°14.46'	17°59.82' E	4314	
PS63/107-2	CTD	67°39.63'	17°59.92' E	4566	
PS63/116-1	CTD	66°48.06'	16°59.51' E	4707	
PS63/120-2	CTD	65°24.42'	18°29.45' E	4985	GeoBox North

PS63/124-1	CTD	63°44.70'	21°44.10′ E	5145	
PS63/125-1	CTD	63°30.07'	22°59.56' E	5166	23°E-Transect
PS63/126-1	CTD	62°59.78'	22°59.27' E	5196	
PS63/127-1	CTD	62°29.93'	23°00.06' E	5222	
PS63/131-1	CTD	60°59.90'	22°59.92' E	5272	
PS63/133-1	CTD	60°30.00'	23°01.18' E	5163	
PS63/134-1	CTD	59°57.66′	22°59.65′ E	5034	
PS63/135-1	CTD	59°29.94'	23°00.76' E	4900	
PS63/140-1	CTD	58°00.93'	22°59.56' E	5303	
PS63/141-1	CTD	57°30.35'	22°59.78' E	5250	
PS63/142-1	CTD	57°00.58'	22°59.65' E	<b>47</b> 17	
PS63/143-1	CTD	56°30.25'	23°00.40' E	4880	
PS63/144-1	CTD	56°00.23'	22°59.90' E	3736	
PS63/145-1	CTD	55°30.37′	23°00.91' E	4358	
PS63/147-1	CTD	55°00.59'	23°00.40' E	4534	
PS63/148-1	CTD	54°30.18'	22°59.85' E	3567	
PS63/149-1	CTD	53°57.01'	23°02.99′ E	3857	
PS63/150-1	CTD	53°29.42'	23°00.20' E	3123	
PS63/152-1	CTD	52°59.90'	22°59.54' E	1942	

Tab. 2.11-3: List of CTD/rosette water sampler, sampled for seawater stable isotope composition.

#### P-Wellengeschwindigkeit und Kerndurchmesser

Platten-Transducer-Durchmesser: 4 cm Transmitter Pulsfrequenz: 500 kHz Pulswiederholungsrate: 1 kHz registrierte Pulsauflösung: 50 ns

gate: 2800 delay: 10 Ls

P-Wellenlaufzeit offset: 7.79  $\perp$ s (SL, 2\*2.5 mm Wandstärke), 8.15  $\perp$ s (KOL, 2\*2.7 mm Wandstärke) Temperature = 20 °C, Salinity = 35 psu, not corrected for water depth and in situ temperature.

### Temperatur Bimetall Sensor

**Density** 

Gammastrahlenquelle: Cs-137

Aktivität: 356 MBq Energie: 0.662 MeV

Blendendurchmesser: 5.0 mm (SL+KOL)

Gammastrahlendetektor: Gammasearch2, Modell SD302D, Ser. Nr. 3047, John Caunt Scientific

Ltd., 10 s Zählzeit

Fractional porosity

Mineral grain density = 2.75, water density = 1.026

Magnetische Susceptibilität

Spulensensor: BARTINGTON MS-2C, Ser. Nr. 208 (SL+KOL)

nominaler Spuleninnendurchmesser: 14 cm

Spulendurchmesser; 14.8 cm

Wechselfeldfrequenz: 565 Hz, Zählzeit 10 s, Präzision 0.1 \* 10<sup>-5</sup> (SI)

Magnetische Feldstärke: ca. 80 A/m RMS

Krel: 1.56 (SL, 12 cm Kern-ø), 0.69 (KOL, 8.46 cm Kern-ø)

Spulensensorkorrekturfaktor: 6.391 (SL), 14.584 (KOL) für 10^-6 (SI)

Dickenmessung

Penny + Giles, Type HLP 190..., Ser,#.Nr. 92730147

**Tab. 2.11-4:** Sensors and parameter settings for measurements with the GEOTEK multi-sensor core logger.

# 2.11.5 SYNPART - Synoptical investigation of the particle flux in the eastern Weddell Gyre

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The starting hypothesis for this study was that in the Eastern Weddell Gyre between 0 °E and 35 °E, a hitherto overlooked region of high productivity would be found. This assumption was supported by model results derived from nutrient budgets (USBECK 1999, USBECK et al. 2002), data of whale abundance (TYNAN 1998) as well as by other data from adjacent areas. Satellite data of surface chlorophyll do not show a pronounced anomaly at that region, and a further question was whether such a high productivity region could be overlooked by the satellites due to deep chlorophyll. However, hydrographical and geochemical data from the region of interest itself were extremely sparse. Therefore, a study was initiated which should allow to get an impression of the particle flux. Real-time SEAWIFS-satellite images of the region would allow comparing on-site measurements with remote sensing data. Chlorophyll profiles were measured in order to compare deep and surface chlorophyll, as well as to get a general idea of phytoplankton activity in the region. Oxygen was measured onboard on all CTD profiles, and nutrient samples were taken for later analysis in the home laboratory. 234Th was measured on depth profiles in order to get estimates of export productivity. Surface sediment samples were taken in order to determine accumulation rates when back in the home lab. Thus, an impression of particle flux throughout the whole water column could be obtained.

#### Satellite images

The Seawifs chlorophyll data for the region show a larger bloom for the eastern part of the Weddell Gyre than in previous years. So far, the results agree with chlorophyll measurements. However, the absolute chlorophyll concentrations given by Seawifs for the bloom in the eastern Weddell Gyre do not at all reflect the absolute values obtained by *in-situ* chlorophyll measurements. Whereas satellite data give surface values of 2  $\mu$ g/l in the eastern Weddell Gyre, yet uncalibrated *in-situ* fluorometer values are substantially higher (5-15  $\mu$ g/l), and only part of this discrepancy can be explained by the deep chlorophyll maxima. As there had been very few chlorophyll profiles from the Southern Hemisphere available for calibration of the Seawifs data, it seems reasonable to assume that remote sensing data are substantially underestimating the productivity of the Weddell Gyre. However, the calibration of the fluorometer has to be awaited before final conclusions are drawn.

#### Chlorophyll

A seapoint fluorometer was deployed with all CTD stations (Fig. 2.11-10), except a few in the beginning of the cruise. Additionally, about 150 samples were taken from the CTD bottles for later analysis of pigment concentration, which will allow to calibrate the fluorometer measurements of chlorophyll-a (Chl-a). Three transects of chlorophyll-a were obtained, one N-S at 0 °E from about 52 °S to the Antarctic coastline (Fig. 2.11-11a), one with NW-SE orientation from about 0 °E, 64 °S to 23 °E, 70 °S (Fig. 2.11-11b) and a further S-N transect, mostly at 23 °E (Fig. 2.11-11c), covering the core of the region of interest.

The three sections shown below (Fig. 2.11-11a-c) illustrate that the Weddell Gyre is in general much more productive than could be derived from satellite images. Whereas the blooms in the ACC reach about 2  $\mu$ g/l Chl-a (all values uncalibrated) and are relatively homogeneous with depth, the profiles in the Weddell Gyre are typically much lower at the sea surface but reach Chl-a concentrations up to 15  $\mu$ g/l. In the eastern Weddell Gyre, extremely high values of Chl-a were found, sometimes exceeding the fluorometer's range (up to 15  $\mu$ g/l). Maxima were typically between 7 and 15  $\mu$ g/l in the eastern Weddell Gyre from about 62.5 to 55 °S. These values fully support the starting hypothesis, revealing a huge area of high productivity just where predicted by model results. For final results, the calibration of the fluorometer has to be awaited.

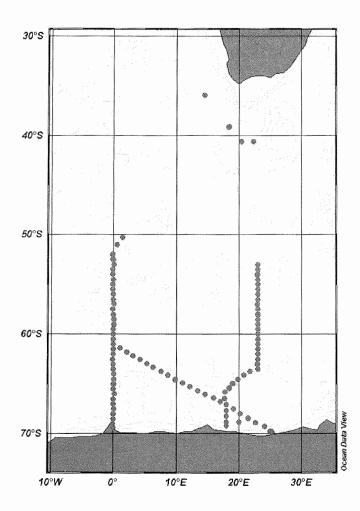
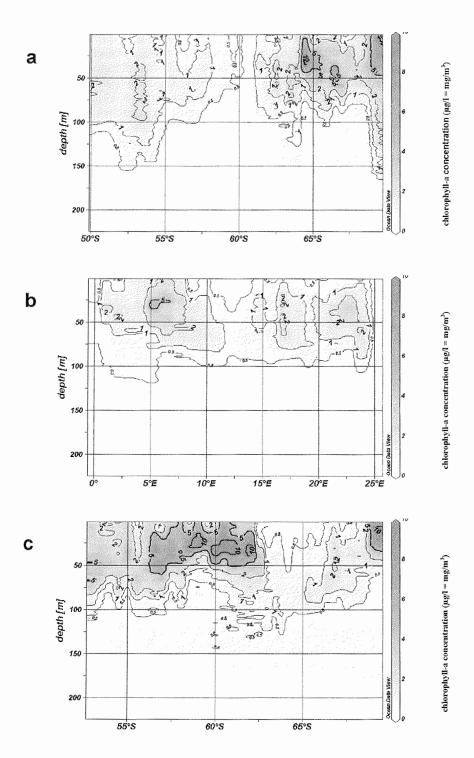


Fig. 2.11-10: Locations of all CTD-depth profiles including fluorometric determination of chlorophyll a.



**Fig. 2.11-11:** Concentration of chlorophyll *a* (fluorometrically, yet uncalibrated) vs. depth. a: N-S transect along 0 °E, b: NW-SE-transect, c: N-S transect along 23 °E (see Fig. 2.11-9 for details).

#### Thorium-234

<sup>234</sup>Th (half-life 24.1 days) is a naturally occurring radionuclide that originates from the <sup>238</sup>U decay chain. It is very particle reactive, and with increasing particle concentration an increasing part of <sup>234</sup>Th is found on particles. Recent observations suggest that acid polysaccharides, a product of phytoplankton, are the main adsorber for <sup>234</sup>Th in natural seawater (QUIGLEY et al. 2002). Generally spoken, the fraction of <sup>234</sup>Th found on particles may be considered a measure for biogenic particle concentration under open ocean conditions.

When particles sink out of the euphotic zone, they carry <sup>234</sup>Th with them. Consequently, particle export leads to an export of <sup>234</sup>Th, too. As the activity of <sup>234</sup>Th is in equilibrium with <sup>238</sup>U when no export takes place, the disequilibrium between <sup>238</sup>U and <sup>234</sup>Th is a measure for particle export (COALE & BRULAND 1985).

In order to get information on carbon export, 25 vertical profiles of <sup>234</sup>Th from the upper water column were measured (Fig. 2.11-12) as described in USBECK et al. (2002). Preliminary results show a good agreement with the chlorophyll data. High fractions of Th on particles are found in regions with high chlorophyll concentrations. On the eastern transect, a strong depletion of Th was found that can be explained by particle export. The subsurface maximum of chlorophyll is often reflected in particulate <sup>234</sup>Th.

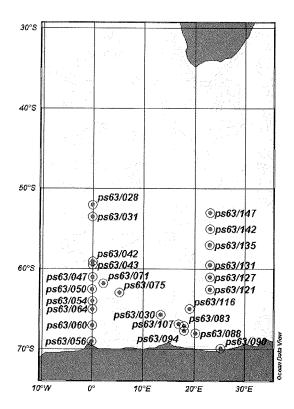


Fig. 2.11-12: Locations of the <sup>234</sup>Th depth profiles

#### Oxygen and nutrient data

Oxygen data are reported in the oceanography section. Nutrients could not be analysed on board, but samples were taken from virtually all bottle samples of the cruise and preserved with mercury chloride. The measurement will be done at AWI Bremerhaven in summer 2003.

#### Surface sediment samples

From selected samples of the sediment surface, <sup>230</sup>Th activities will be determined in the near future in order to obtain sediment accumulation rates that may be compared with production data from the overlying water column. For locations of the sediment samples, see the respective chapters in this cruise report.

#### Preliminary conclusions

The obtained dataset gives for the first time a comprehensive insight into the production patterns of the eastern Weddell Gyre. The preliminary results fully support the starting hypothesis of a hitherto overlooked high productivity region in the Southern Ocean.

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# 2.12 Virioplankton abundance and bacteriophage of oligotrophic bacteria from polar seas

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Viruses are now considered to be an important component of aquatic microbial communities. The re-evaluation of the role of viruses in marine ecosystem is due to the discovery of high numbers of viruses and their abundances, typically numbering ten billions per litre. They probably infect all organisms, undergo rapid decay and replenishment and influence many biogeochemical and ecological processes, including nutrient cycling, respiration system, particle-size distributions and sinking rates, bacterial and algal biodiversity and species distributions, algal bloom control, dimethyl sulphide formation and genetic transfer. The marine bacterial community is responsible for a considerable portion of primary production and regeneration of nutrients in the microbial loop and is associated with a great variety of marine bacteriophages. The phages are parts of the marine virioplankton community and are capable of infecting a large portion of the bacterioplankton. It is assumed that, as part of the marine food web, bacteriophages play important quantitative and qualitative roles in controlling marine bacterial populations.

Oligotrophic bacteria have been defined as organisms with the capability to grow on a medium containing 1 mg or less than 1 mg of organic carbon per liter and have been found as the dominant populations in the Pacific Ocean and the polar seas. Occurrence and distribution of oligotrophic bacteria in Antarctic and Arctic seas were investigated and a few hundred of oligotrophic strains were isolated. Although there are a lot of reports about bacteriophages of marine heterotrophic bacteria, no reports of bacteriophages infecting marine oligotrophic bacteria are available. Investigating virioplankton abundance and bacteriophages of oligotrophic bacteria in polar seas are very important for better understanding the interactions between phages and their host organisms and the role of viruses in the polar marine ecosystem.

As part of an international cooperation between the AWI and SIO (Second Institute of Oceanography, China) this research cruise served to sample sea water and concentrate virus solution on board.

#### Work at sea

At ten stations in the Weddell Sea, seawater samples of about 200 liters were taken with a CTD-Rosette. The normal sample depths were 25 m and at two stations we took an additional sample of 400 m water depth. After separating algae and bacteria cells with a 0.2  $\mu m$  / 0.45  $\mu m$  Sartobran Capsule, the bacteriophages and viruses were concentrated thousandfold by tangential-flow-ultrafiltration using three Polyethersulfone Ultrasart Cassettes (0.1  $m^2$  effective filtration area each; 100 kdalton cut off). Twelve host bacteria strains, belonging to the alpha or gamma subclass of proteobacteria or the Cytophaga-Flavobacterium-Bacteroides group, were infected each with 0.1 ml of the concentrated virus solution and incubated at 8 °C to determine the bacteriophage concentration in seawater by counting the number of plaques on the plates. Meanwhile, about three litres seawater sample in every sampling station were filtered through a glasfibre filter for POC/PON measurement. This POC/PON measurement will be done in home laboratory.

#### Preliminary results

At each station a 200 ml bottle was filled with sample of the concentrated virus solution (Tab. 2.12-1). The twelve bottles were collected and stored at 4 °C for further studies in home laboratory (morphology observation and DNA sequence analysis of virus). Preliminary results from plaque assay test confirmed the existence of oligobacteriophages in Antarctic Sea (Fig. 2.12-1). There were high emergence rates relatively of phage plaque against host strain ARK126 (25 %) or ANT43 (37 %).

Sample No	Station No	Depth	Total plaques
1	PS63/038-1	25 m	28
2	PS63/042-5	400 m	0
3	PS63/042-7	25 m	3
4	PS63/047-3	25 m	7
5	PS63/054-3	25 m	2
6	PS63/061-2	25 m	4
7	PS63/076-1	25 m	4
8	PS63/081-1	25 m	3
9	PS63/081-4	400 m	3
10	PS63/107-1	25 m	7
11	PS63/120-1	25 m	3
12	PS63/123-1	25 m	3

Tab. 2.12-1: Sampling stations

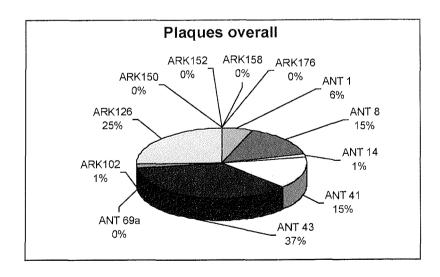


Fig. 2.12-1: Total number of occurred plaques

No phage plaque against host strain ARK150 or ARK152 or ARK158 or ARK176 occurred

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#### Addendum of ANT-XIX/4

## 2.13 Community structure and abundance of oligotrophic bacteria T.-L. Tan, S. Spahic', C. Germer

#### Objectives

Although not integrated in the ANDEEP projects, the aim of our participation is to study the abundance and diversity of oligotrophic, low-nutrient bacteria in south polar seas by using conventional and molecular biological methods. The results will be compared with the results of a similar expedition programme to the north polar region from June to August 2002 (ARK XVIII / 1a+b).

#### Work on board

For the above purpose, we have taken water samples at 10 stations from four depths (25, 100, 200, and 400 m). The water sampler (Rosette) was combined with CTD measurements (conductivity-temperature-salinity) in the water column (Tab. 2.13-1).

Internal no.	PS no.	Date	Sal.Min.	Sal.Max.	Temp.Min.	Temp.Max.
Bac St 01	61/130-2	03.03.2002	33.842	34.689	- 0.18	2.547
Bac St 02	61/131-5	05.03.2002	33.374	34.675	- 1.734	0.668
Bac St 03	61/133-2	07.03.2002	34.062	34.674	- 1.713	0.601
Bac St 04	61/134-2	08.03.2002	32.845	34.684	- 1.554	0.545
Bac St 05	61/135-2	10.03.2002	34.044	34.679	- 1.544	0.531
Bac St 06	61/136-2	12.03.2002	34.11	35.662	- 1.322	0.963
Bac St 07	61/137-2	14.03.2002	34.004	34.674	- 1.218	0.773
Bac St 08	61/138-1	16.03.2002	33.223	35.617	- 1.283	0.508
Bac St 09	61/139-2	19.03.2002	33.8812	34.6908	- 0.6876	1.932
Bac St 10	61/141-1	22.03.2002	33.8823	34.6711	- 1.1257	1.0599

Tab.2.13-1: Salinity (psu) and temperature (°C) at the bacteriological stations

The seawater samples have to be filtered for fluorescence *in situ* hybridizations (FISH) of the bacteria cells with phylogenetic specific oligonucleotide probes. Unfortunately, the stainless steel 10-fold filtration apparatus for FISH did not work smoothly for getting the amounts of filters needed, because the teflon sealing in the apparatus was damaged. Therefore, we could not get enough bacterial biomass to inspect ten different phylogenetic groups, as planned before.

Enrichment cultures in dialysis chambers and in Erlenmeyer-flasks with screw-on caps were kept at 4 °C for further attempts to enumerate and isolate oligotrophic bacteria in the home laboratory.

Bacterial biomass for clone libraries from 25 and 400 m water depths has to be collected from 50 litres of seawater by means of a tangential flow microfiltration apparatus. However, the tangential flow filtration device did not function satisfactorily, because the disired high speed for the seawater flow of 4 litres per minute with the peristaltic pump was not reached with the Marprene tube delivered by the manufacturer. Silicone tubing was needed to get the high speed necessary for cell concentrations. Bacterial biomass was therefore concentrated on Millipore GP50 filters.

Seawater samples were also prepared in glass ampoules for dissolved organic carbon (DOC) and particulate organic carbon / particulate organic nitrogen (POC / PON) determinations on glass-fibre filters.

All preparations of seawater samples were kept frozen at - 30 °C.

#### Note

We got surface sediment samples to determine bacterial biomass from the stations 139-4, 139-8, 140-3, 142-4 and 142-5. The results will be of interest for the meiofauna working groups.

### 3 Annex

The achievements during the cruise were to a large extent due to the effective and friendly cooperation between the ship's crew and the participating scientific personal.

## 3.1 Beteiligte Institute / Participating Institutes ANT-XX/1-2

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AWI	Alfred-Wegener-Institut für Polar- und Meeresforschung Columbusstraße 27568 Bremerhaven	38
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BIA	Berufsgenossenschaftliches Institut für Arbeitssicherheit Mirecourtstr. 9 53225 Bonn	1
DWD	Deutscher Wetterdienst Geschäftsfeld Seeschifffahrt Jenfelder Allee 70 A 22043 Hamburg	6
DSMZ	Deutsche Sammlung von Mikroorganismen und Zellkulturen GmbH Mascheroder Weg 1b 38124 Braunschweig	1
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GL	Germanischer Lloyd AG Vorsetzen 32/35 20459 Hamburg	3
GKSS	GKSS Forschungszentrum Institut für Küstenforschung Max-Planck-Straße 21502 Geesthacht	2

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Belier	Frederic	OCEANO	Χ	
Bluszcz	Thaddäus	AWI	Χ	
Boebel	Olaf	AWI		Χ
Brückner	Sylvia	AWI		Χ
Büchner	Jürgen	HSW		Χ
Buldt	Klaus	DWD	X	
Caba	Armando	GKSS	Χ	
Deckelmann	Holger	AWI	Χ	
Didié	Claudia	AWI		Χ
Dinter	Wolfgang	BFN		Χ
Durham	Louise	IENS	X	
El Naggar	Saad	AWI	Χ	
Forwick	Matthias	UIT		Χ
Fütterer	Dieter Karl	AWI		Χ
Geibert	Walter	AWI		X
Gerchow	Peter	FIELAX	X	
Giljam	Rhys Thomas	UCT		X
Graeser	Jürgen	AWI	X	Χ
Graeve	Martin	AWI	X	
Hagemann	Timo	AWI		X
Halasia	Magdalini A.	IUPH		X
Hanfland	Claudia	AWI		X
Hass	Christian	AWI		X
Heckmann	Hans-Hilmar	HSW		X
Hemmerling	Börge	IUPH	X	
Hoppema	Jan Marinus	IUPB		X
Jaeneke	Matthias	DWD	X	
Kattner	Gerhard	AWI	X	
Klatt	Olaf	AWI		X
Kleffel	Guido	AWI		X
Knuth	Edmund	DWD		X
Krischat	Joachim	AWI		Χ
Kuhn	Gerhard	AWI		X
Lakaschus	Sönke	GKSS	X	
Lehnberg	Barbara	DSMZ	X	
Lensch	Norbert	AWI		X
Max	Thomas	AWI	X	
Menßen	Jens	HSW		X
Mizdalski	Elke	AWI	Χ	
Monsees	Matthias	AWI		X

Name		Institut	ANT-XX/1	ANT-XX/2
Müller	Eugen	DWD	X	
Niederjasper	Frederic	AWI	X	
Niehoff	Barbara	AWI	X	
NN		AWI	X	
NN		GL	X	
NN		GL	X	
NN		GL	X	
NN		IFREMER	X	
NN		IFREMER	X	
Nunez	Ismael	AWI		Χ
Pols	Hans-Arnold	DWD		X
Reinke	Manfred	AWI	Χ	
Rohardt	Gerd	AWI		X
Rohr	Harald	OPTIMARE		Χ
Sablotny	Burkhard	AWI	Χ	
Sander	Hendrik	IUPB		X
Schattenhofer	Martha	IUPB		X
Schiel	Sigrid	AWI	Χ	
Schmidt	Thomas	FIELAX		Χ
Schmitt	Wolfgang	IMPG		X
Schröder	Michael	AWI		X
Schulz	Astrid	AWI	Χ	
Seidler	Kai	HSW		X
Thomalla	Sandy	UCT		Χ
Usbeck	Regina	FIELAX		Χ
Vöge	Ingrid	AWI		X
Wagner	Eberhard	LAEISZ	X	
Wahl	Sebastian	AWI		X
Waldthausen, v.	Constanze	AWI		X
Webb	Adrian Myles	UCT		Χ
Wevill	David	CHYORK	X	X
Williams	Paul Ivor	UMIST	X	
Wittling	Thomas	AWI		Χ
Yang	Jifang	SOA		X

## 3.3 Schiffspersonal / Ship's crew

Rank	Name		ANT-XX/1	ANT-XX/2
Master	Domke	Udo	X	Х
1. Offc.	Spielke	Stefan	Χ	
1. Offc.	Schwarze	Stefan		X
Ch. Eng	Pluder	Andreas	X	X
2. Offc.	Spielke	Stefan		X
2. Offc.	Szepanski	Nico	X	X
2. Offc.	Thieme	Wolfgang	X	X
R. Offc.	Koch	Georg	Χ	X
Doctor	Böttcher	Herbert		X
1. Eng.	Delff	Wolfgang	Χ	X
2. Eng.	Ziemann	Olaf	X	X
3. Eng.	Zornow	Martin	X	X
Electr.	Muhle	Heiko	X	X
Boatsw.	Clasen	Burkhard	Χ	Χ
Carpenter	Reise	Lutz	X	Χ
AB	Gil Iglesias	Luis	X	Χ
AB	Pousada Martinez	S.	X	Χ
AB	Kreis	Reinhard	X	X
AB	Schulz	Ottmar	X	Χ
AB	Burzan	GEkkehard	X	Χ
AB	Moser	Siegfried	Χ	Χ
AB	NN	-	Χ	Χ
AB	Hartwig	Andreas	X	Χ
Storek	Preußner	Jörg	Χ	Χ
Mot-man	Ipsen	Michael	X	Χ
Mot-man	Voy	Bernd	Χ	X
Mot-man	Elsner	Klaus	Χ	Χ
Mot-man	Hartmann	Ernst-Uwe	X	Χ
Mot-man	Grafe	Jens	Χ	X
Cook	Haubold	Wolfgang	X	Χ
Cookmate	Völske	Thomas	Χ	Χ
Cookmate	Silinski	Frank	X	Χ
1. Stwdess	Jürgens	Monika	X	Χ
Stwdss/KS	Wöckener	Martina	Χ	Χ
2. Stwdess	Czyborra	Bärbel	Χ	X
2. Stwdess	Silinski	Carmen	Χ	Χ
2. Steward	Gaude	Hans-Jürgen	X	Χ
2. Steward	Möller	Wolfgang	X	X
2. Steward	Huang	Wu-Mei	X	Χ
Laundrym.	Yu Kwok	Yuen	Χ	X