

Planned and Ongoing Canadian activities in the Arctic and North Atlantic

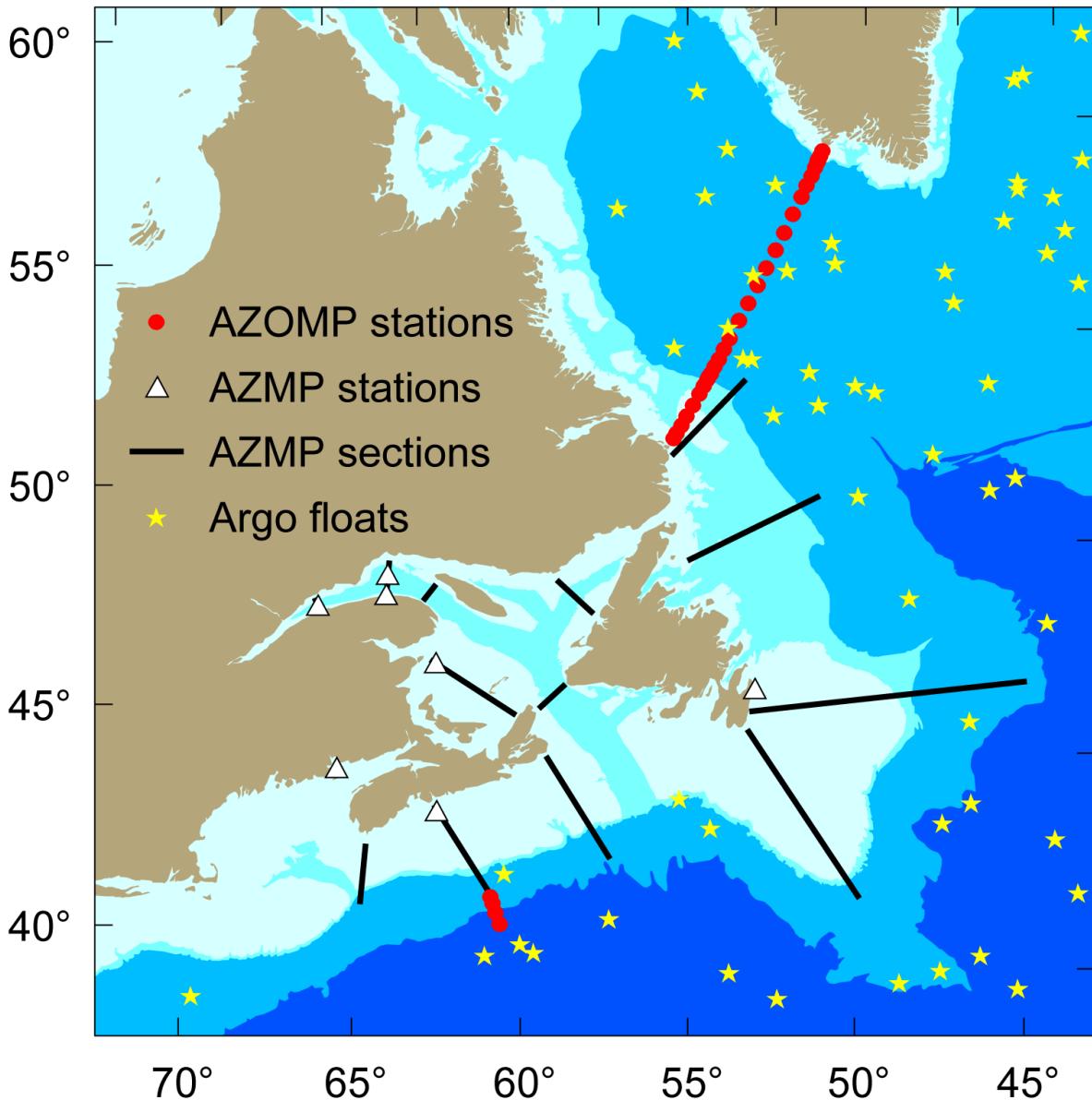
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Monitoring programs (Fisheries and Oceans Canada)



The objective of the Atlantic Zone Off-Shelf Monitoring Program (**AZOMP**) is to monitor variability in the ocean climate and plankton affecting regional climate and ecosystems off Atlantic Canada and the global climate system.
Since 1990

The main objectives of **AZMP** are twofold: (1) to collect and analyse biological, chemical, and physical data to characterise and understand the causes of oceanic variability at the seasonal, interannual, and decadal scales; and (2) to provide the multidisciplinary data sets that can be used to establish relationships among the biological, chemical, and physical variability.
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Participation to International Programs

OSNAP

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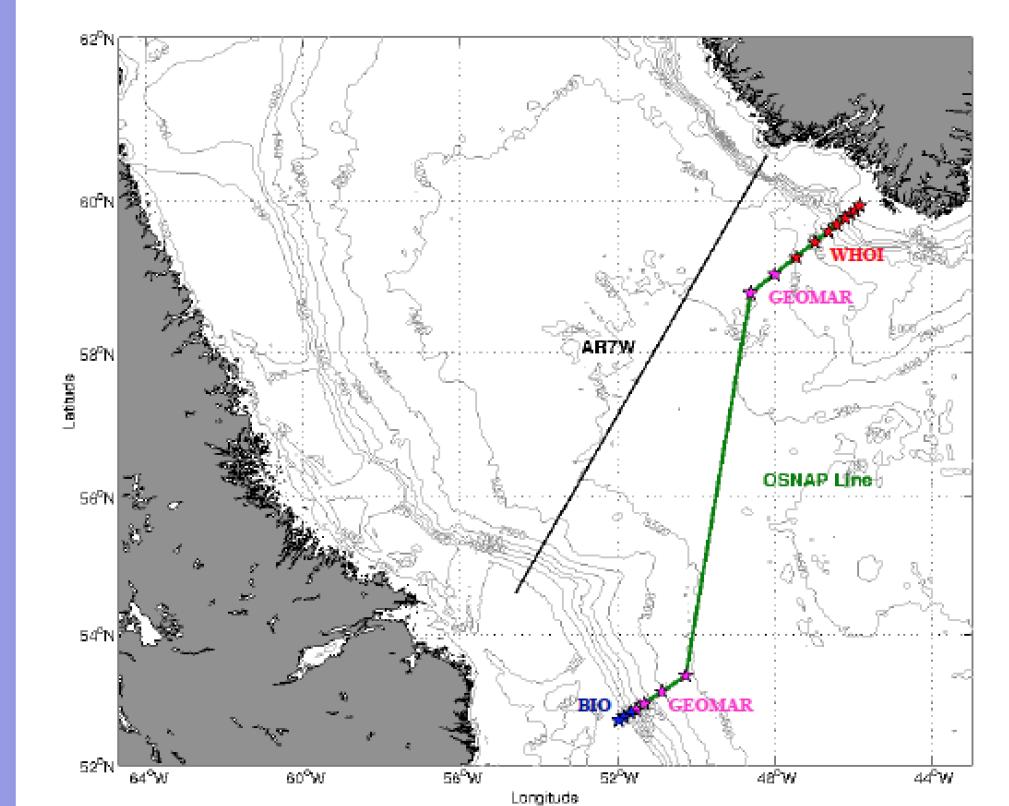
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PI: Denis Gilbert

Carbon Bridge

PI: JE Tremblay

Combined OSNAP West Labrador Sea mooring array



Redfish Survey (Dalhousie University/Iceland)

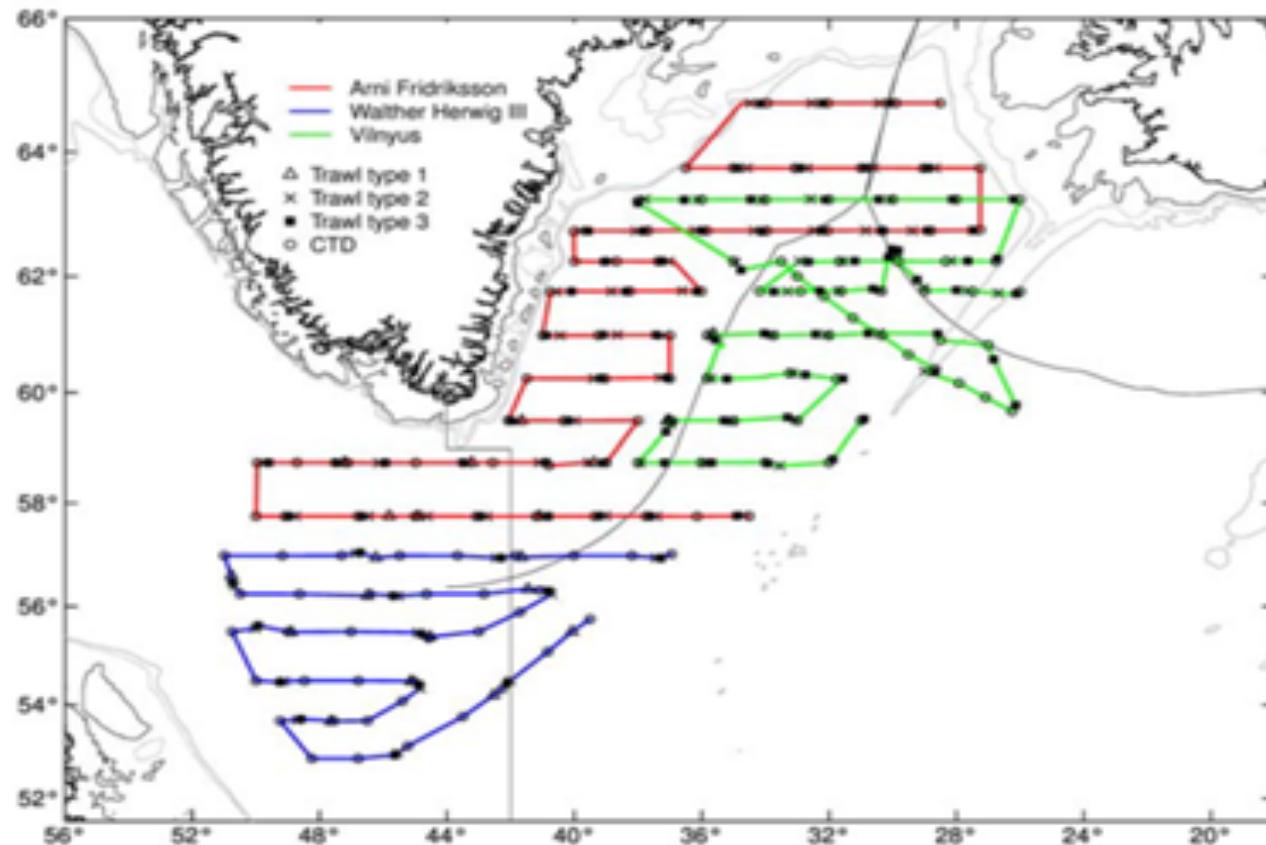
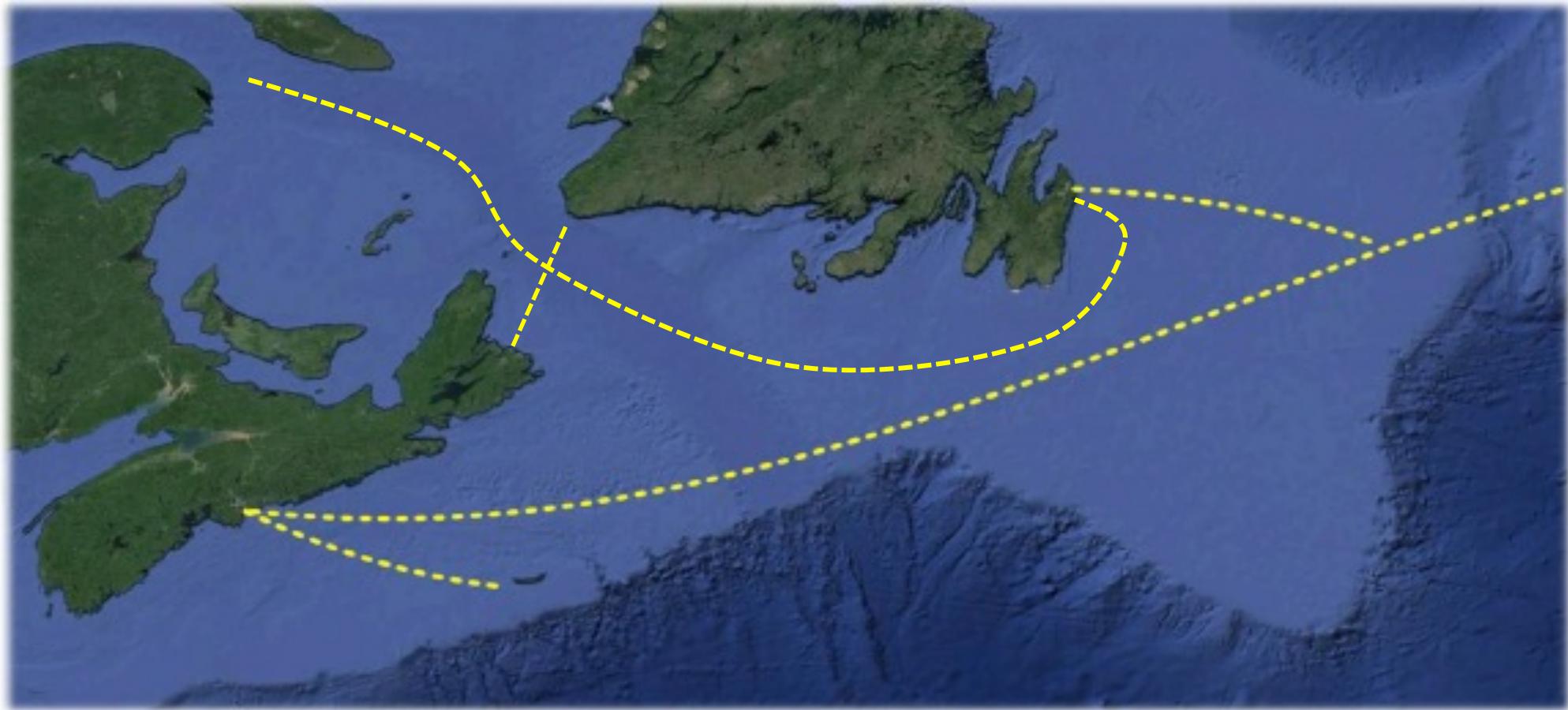


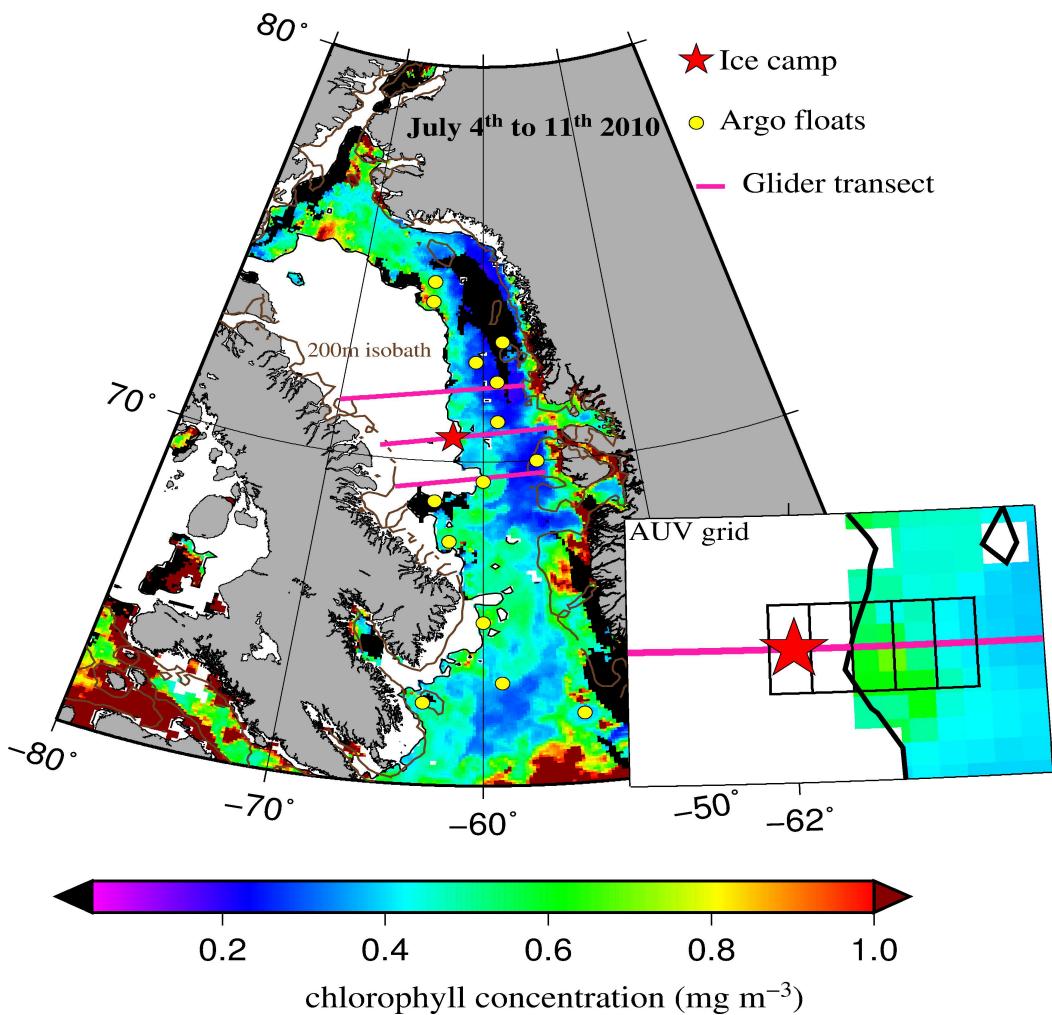
Figure 1. Cruise tracks and stations taken in the joint international redfish survey in June/July 2013.

Physical and chemical water-column parameter, every second year. Next one in 2015



Atlantic Canada VOS routes

GreenEdge (planning stage)



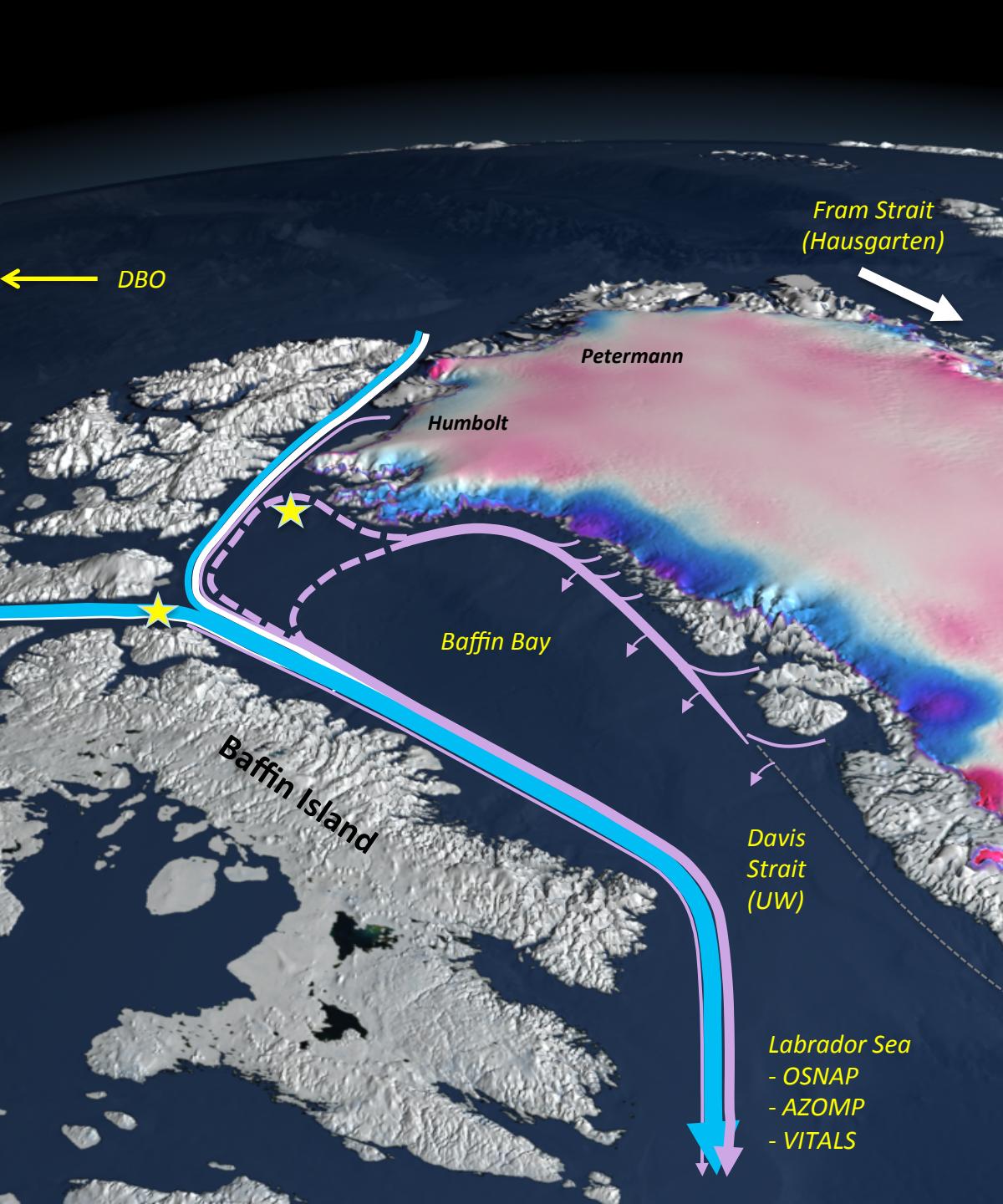
An international, multi-platform study of the spring bloom at the ice edge (2016)

Lead PI: Marcel Babin

1. Detailed description and understanding of spring bloom dynamics
2. Transfer through food web and toward bottom
3. Current trends in the spring bloom (remote sensing)
4. Spring bloom in the past (paleoceanography)
5. Spring bloom in the future (modeling)

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- Support from ArcticNet and CERCs
- France (ANR, CNES, CNRS)
- Canada (CSA, NSERC)
- USA (NASA, NSF)



Baffin Bay/Labrador Sea Observatory

Assess and monitor the impact of changing Arctic throughflows and Greenland melt on biogeochemistry, ecosystem productivity and LSW formation (to be developed and coordinated internationally)

- Bio-Argo floats (20 secured)
- Bio-gliders (2 secured)
- Remote sensing (secured)
- Underwater positioning system
- Biogeochemical moorings
- Amundsen surveys
- Operational coupled modeling

