

Beaufort Gyre Exploration Project: Dispatch 2: Settling in

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Now that all the scientists are aboard the group begins preparations for the work ahead. At the moment the *LSL* is standing off Kugluktuk giving the new members of the ship's crew time to get acquainted with their new surroundings. Both groups are taking the opportunity to settle in, organize, and plan for the next five weeks.

As JOIS is an on-going observation project many of the tasks and objectives have remained unchanged for 2012, however, several new instruments and scientific aspects have been added to this cruise. Scientists from the UK have brought along a turbulence instrument, a new helicopter-mounted electromagnetic probe and Airborne eXpendible Ice Buoy (AXIB) will be deployed from the skies, deployment of three Ice Tethered MicroCats (ITMs), on-ice ADCPs, and more.

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