Joint Ocean Ice Study (JOIS) 2006 Cruise Report



Report on the Oceanographic Research Conducted aboard the CCGS Louis S. St-Laurent, July 20 to October 2, 2006

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1. OVERVIEW

The research work for the Joint Ocean Ice Study (JOIS), on board the CCGS Louis S St. Laurent, was carried out over four consecutive legs this year from July 20 to October 2. JOIS-2006 involves the collaboration of Fisheries and Oceans Canada researchers with colleagues primarily from Japan and the U.S. This program forms an important Canadian contribution to international climate research programs, and serves as a springboard to the International Polar Year (IPY). JOIS-2006 is an observationallydriven program with the study area of the four components extending along the ship track from Dartmouth to Resolute (Leg 1), Resolute to Kugluktuk (Leg 2), across the southern Canada Basin, including the Beaufort Shelf (Leg 3) and across northern Baffin Bay (Leg 4). Emphasis is on the study of the effects of climate variability and the interconnectivity between the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans through the Canadian Arctic Archipelago.

The most complex component, described as Leg 3 below, combines two ongoing programs: the Joint Western Arctic Climate Study (JWACS), a collaboration with the Japan Agency for Marine-Earth Science and Technology (JAMSTEC) scientists; and the Beaufort Gyre Exploration Project (BGEP), a collaboration with Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution scientists. Leg 3 also includes ancillary programs carried out by researchers from the Ocean University of China and the International Arctic Research Center in Fairbanks Alaska. In addition researchers from Natural Resources Canada were aboard the *CCGS Louis S. St- Laurent* to test equipment and acquire seismic data for claiming the continental margins beyond the 200 nautical mile limit as required by the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS). Research questions seek to:

- Understand the impacts of global change on the physical environment and corresponding biological responses by tracking and linking decadal scale perturbations in the Arctic atmosphere (e.g. Arctic Oscillation and Beaufort Gyre) to interannual basin-scale changes in freshwater content, water mass properties, water mass distribution, ocean circulation and biota distribution.
- Understand the impacts of global change on sea ice and other fresh water products by utilizing a suite of stable isotopes and geochemical markers to quantify freshwater components and investigate water mass pathways.
- Investigate physical processes such as thermohaline intrusions, ventilation, boundary currents and tidal effects on nutrient fluxes.

The Leg 1 component is a DFO and JAMSTEC collaboration to investigate variability in Arctic Ocean outflow. The Leg 2 component is a DFO program to investigate water mass properties and biological composition of eastern and western Archipelago waters. The Leg 4 component is a DFO and US collaboration to investigate variability of physical and geochemical water mass properties in the Baffin Bay region, downstream of Nares Strait. The mooring recovery component of the US-Canada Nares Strait project was conducted from the *CCGS Henry Larsen*. Leg 1 and Leg 4 are contributions to the international Arctic-Subarctic Ocean Fluxes Study.

2. CRUISE SUMMARY

This science season onboard the *CCGS Louis S St-Laurent* was quite extensive with successful programs on all four legs. The equipment worked well, ice conditions except in the southwest Beaufort Sea were generally easier than usual and there were no major problems with the weather, particularly fortunate for our work out in Baffin Bay on Leg 4. The only major shortcoming was on leg 3 where delays to the program added up to 10.5 days of the original 42 day program. The impact of this accumulated delay is discussed in a section below.

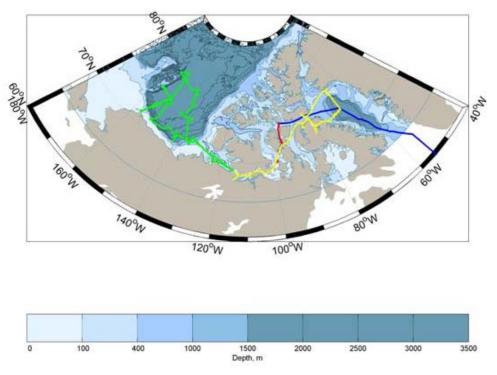


Figure 1. The cruise track with each leg, 1 to 4, coloured blue, red, green and yellow respectively.

Full explanations of the science activities are in the sections below, but in brief there were no major problems with data collection. The CTD/Rosette system had minor problems with leaking connectors and Niskin bottles not closing. The XCTD system worked well, even with deployments through ice filled waters. Most of the zooplankton net tows (typically two casts to 100m) and the light transmission casts with the PRR were performed during the Rosette casts, which was an efficient use of time. There were problems in maintaining suitable working temperatures in the lab areas for the oxygen and salinity analyses but apart from this all on-board analysis systems worked well.

The mooring operations were completed successfully. Two of the six moorings did come up under the ice, however with patience they were found and recovered. The moored profilers had all climbed their scheduled distances for the year except the for the CABOS profiler which unfortunately was incorrectly ballasted and meant the profiler did not have the ability to profile below the pycnocline.

The ice buoy deployments were completed but suffered due lack of time. Planned deployment locations had to be adjusted until thick enough ice could be found. The first ITP deployed unfortunately had problems with communication between the profiler and the surface buoy and has not been transmitting, perhaps not collecting data. We had already left the site due to time constraints and so were not able to recover the buoy. A recovery operation of a buoy deployed last year was attempted later in the cruise but it proved to be a good lesson on what equipment is needed for successful recoveries in future years.

Ice observation was a new addition to the program this year. Two ice observers from IARC made hourly observations from the bridge recording ice, weather, water conditions such as the extent of the green colored water in the southeast Beaufort and ice algae in the west. Their primary purpose, to install 6 GPS buoys on the ice, worked well. The on-ice measurements of thickness were not as successful due to both lack of many opportunities to get out onto the ice, and the device to measure the thickness electronically could not be made to work reducing measurements to single points with the ice-auger.

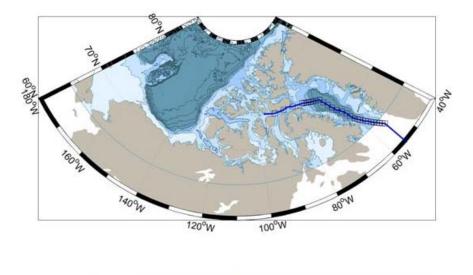
The seismic program was able to test their sled, find the weaknesses in the system, make repairs as needed and attempt to collect data from along the cruise track in areas of interest. Towing periods were preferably long to reduce the number of deployments and recoveries with the ship's cranes. The merging of the seismic and Rosette/Mooring programs worked best when the tows could be carried out overnight between the rosette stations (12 hours at 5knts) with day time dedicated to mooring and buoy operations.

Two wildlife observers stood watches daily above the bridge to record bird and mammal sightings. Their observations were important both for ecological study and to adjust sciencific activity as needed to prevent disturbing the marine mammals.

3. PROGRAM COMPONENTS

Leg 1: Halifax to Resolute (July 20-July 28)

Program Objectives: As a Japan/Canada contribution to the international Arctic and Sub-arctic Ocean Fluxes (ASOF) program, continue the "Freshwater Watch" initiated in 2002.



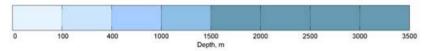


Figure 2. XCTD casts performed on Leg 1.

Measurements:

- 30 XCTD Casts typically to 1100m depth
- 1 test Rosette cast

Leg 2: Resolute to Kugluktuk (July 28-Aug 5)

Program Objectives: Embark core scientific personnel for laboratory set-up.

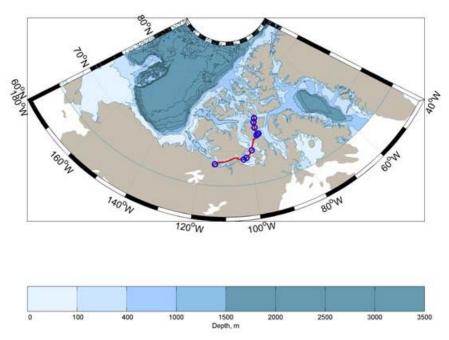


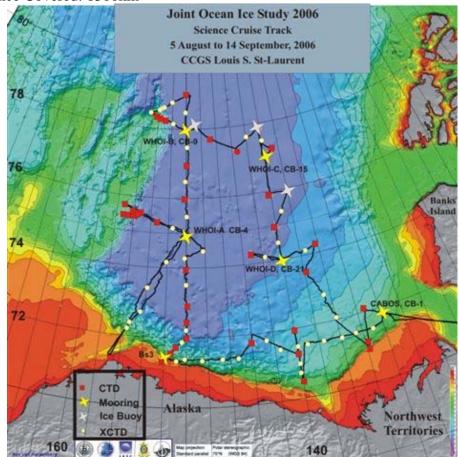
Figure 3. Rosette/CTD casts on Leg 2

Measurements:

- 10 Rosette Casts
- 72 Water Samples for properties: Salinity, Nutrients, Barium, O18, and Bacteria
- 84 Drift Bottles
- River water samples from the Kugaryuak River
- Seismic package tow-handling test

Leg 3: Kugluktuk to Kugluktuk (Aug 5-Sept 14)

Program Objectives: Embark remaining science team in Kugluktuk. Achieve the combined objectives of the JOIS program as described above.



Distance Covered: 8300km

Figure 4. Rosette, XCTD, Mooring an Buoy locations on Leg 3

Measurements:

- 75 CTD/Rosette Casts typically full ocean depth
- 1223 Water Samples

 At all stations: Salinity, Oxygen, Nutrients, Barium, O-18,
 Bacteria, Alkalinity, Chlorophyll-a, C-13
 At selected stations: ChloroFluoroCarbons, Helium, Tritium, I-129, Cs 137, Particulate Organic Carbon, Total Suspended Sediments,
 Ammonium, Dissolved Inorganic Carbon
- 51 PRR/MCTD Casts (Profiling Reflectance and Radiometer together with a compact CTD), typically to 100m depth, at selected Rosette stations
- 3 PRR/MCTD Casts performed at ice stations, through the ice to 120m depth
- 55 XCTD Casts typically to 1100m depth
- 33 Vertical Net Casts, typically to 100m depth, at selected Rosette stations

- 106 Drift Bottles
- 6 Mooring Recoveries (4 deep basin, 1 slope and 1 shelf mooring)
- 5 Mooring Deployments (4 deep basin and 1 slope mooring)
- 3 Ice Buoy deployment sites
 - 2 sites each with a single Ice Tethered Profiler (ITP) 1 multi-buoy site with an ITP, an Ice Mass Balance Buoy, an Ice Heat-Flux Buoy, all surrounded by a ring of 6 GPS Buoys.
- Ice Observations
 - Hourly visual observations from bridge Opportunistic aerial observations during flights 4 on-ice surveys with limited results
- Seismic Package Towing

Tests conducted to observe performance and durability of equipment in ice and to assess data quality with respect to equipment performance, ship noise and ocean floor composition. Data collection along cruise-track as possible

Test of ship's new 12-kHz echo sounder

• Underway data collection of ship's meteorological and depth sensors

Leg 4: Kugluktuk to Pond Inlet (Sept 14 – Oct 2)

Program Objectives: Conduct hydrographic survey to measure water properties in northern Baffin Bay and across southern Smith Sound.

Distance Covered: 4600km

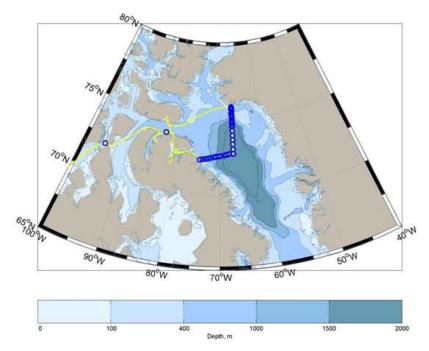


Figure 5. Rosette/CTD casts on Leg 4

Measurements:

- 38 CTD/Rosette Casts typically full ocean depth
- 510 Water Samples
 At all stations: Salinity, Oxygen, Nutrients, Barium, O-18,
 Bacteria, Alkalinity
 At selected stations: ChloroFluoroCarbons, Ammonium, Dissolved Inorganic Carbon
- 50 Drift Bottles
- 2 River water samples from the Coppermine River
- Observations and measurements of surface topography ripple formations in Bathurst Inlet

4. PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

4.1 Rosette/CTD Casts

Rosette casts were taken with a Seabird SBE911+ CTD, equipped with dual temperature sensors, dual conductivity sensors, SBE43 oxygen probe, transmissometer, pumped fluorometer, bottom contact warning device and an altimeter. A second oxygen probe and transmissometer were added for part of the cruise. The rosette water sampler, SBE32, was configured with 24 10-liter Niskin bottles to take chemistry samples: Salinity, Dissolved Oxygen, Nitrate (NO3), Silicate (SiO4), Phosphate (PO4),



Figure 6. Rosette deployment.

Freon (11, 12, 113 and carbon-tetrachloride), Chlorophyll-a (filtered at 0.7 um with chlorophyll-a and phaeopigment values for each), Alkalinity, Oxygen-18 isotope (O18), Barium, and Bacteria. On selected casts we sampled Cesium-137, Iodine-129, Helium, Tritium, Particulate Organic Carbon (TOC), Dissolved Inorganic Carbon (DIC), Carbon-13 isotope (C-13), Ammonium and Total Suspended Solids (TSS).

For a typical cast, the CTD was powered on while still on the deck. The rosette package was lowered to 10m, the sensor pumps turned on and the package soaked for 3 minutes to equilibrate the oxygen sensor. The package was then raised to just below the surface and then lowered at 60m/minute to within 15m of the ocean floor. After closing the first bottle at the bottom of the cast, the package was raised at 60m/minute then slowed to 30m/minute for the upper 400m. Bottles were closed on the upcast without changing the ascent speed with the thought that this will capture water with a uniform vertical offset (approximately 1 m) instead of stopping the package for bottle closures which can result in variable 0 to 5m offsets, depending on the flow dynamics around the bottles. The bottle flushing around a stopped package is thought to be dependant on the

ship rock and relative drift, which are both less favorable for bottle flushing when a ship is in ice.

In the upper 400m, the sample depths were chosen to match a set of salinity values. During the downcast, the depths of the salinity values were noted so that on the upcast the bottle could be closed at the pre-determined depths. The 113 CTD/Rosette cast location are listed in the appendix.



Figure 7. Watch for icebergs



Figure 8. Nes Sutherland samples the rosette. (photo Jiao)

Sampling took place immediately after each cast in the heated rosette room. The order of sampling was fixed, based on sampling water most susceptible to temporal changes first.

Dissolved Oxygen, Nutrients, Salinity, Freons, Alkalinity, and Ammonium were measured in laboratories on board. All other samples were prepared and stored for analysis on shore. Real-time analysis was critical for oxygen and ammonium and important for the others due to the higher accuracy achieved from the methods used with fresh samples. Analysis at sea also allows time to respond to problems with equipment or sampling methods that may only be noticed after looking at results.



Figure 9. Michiyo Kawai measures alkalinity



Figure 10. Mary Steel measures dissolved oxygen



Figure 11. Hugh Maclean hangs a Niksin bottle on the foredeck net wire.

While the ship's propulsion system was down we carried out CTD casts from the foredeck. The bubbler system was operational and could sweep ice out of the way as needed. We made section over the path of the ship drift over the Northwind Ridge with high spatial resolution. The equipment used was an internally recording SBE19 CTD configured with pumped

temperature, conductivity and oxygen. The CTD was used on non-conducting wire and water samples were taken with 5L and 1.7L Niskin bottles attached to the wire and closed using weighted messengers.

The CTD/Rosette system had problems with two of the three oxygen sensors, but the third performed well throughout the cruise. CTD connectors had problems again with seawater leaks which we hope to change to wet-pluggable connectors next year. There were a few problems with Niskin bottles not closing due to the accumulation of grease in the pylon latches. Alternating between the primary and backup pylon to clean the removed pylon, improved the situation.

4.2 Vertical Net Tows (Leg 3)

Zooplankton sampling was performed using a modified Bongo net system. Two large bongo hoops were fitted with coarse mesh nets of 150 μ m and 236 μ m. A second set of smaller hoops were fitted perpendicular to the large hoops. These smaller hoops were fitted with finer 53 μ m mesh nets. The four nets were fitted with unidirectional flowmeters which measure the amount of water flowing through the hoops. Between cast the nets were stored on the foredeck in a box, built by the ship specifically to accommodate the bongo net. The vertical net tows were all to 100m.



Figure 12. Zooplankton nets

Figure 13. Helen Drost preserves zooplankton samples

Two casts to 100m were performed per station to collect enough samples for identification, DNA analysis and biomass measurements. The samples from the first cast were preserved in formalin with the 53μ m samples combined to form one sample. From the second cast, the samples from the 236 μ m and combined 53 μ m nets were preserved in 100% ethanol, and the 150 μ m sample was washed with 4% ammonium formate and dried at 50°C for 24 hours. 33 casts were performed at 14 stations. Locations are listed in the appendix.

4.3 Light measurements (Leg 3)

Jiuxin Shi and Yutian Jiao, OUC (excerpts from report)

The physical and ecological profile in the upper ocean (above 150 m) are being observed in order to understand heating process in marginal ice zone and open water in the Arctic Ocean. Physical (temperature and salinity), optical (radiance, irradiance and turbidity), chemical (nutrient) and biological (phytoplankton) data were collected to find their connection in different regions, ice conditions, and heating status.



Figure 14. PRR preparations



Figure 15. PRR deployment

A high resolution Profiling Reflectance and Radiometer (PRR, 18 wavelengths at 313-875 nm) including profiler PRR800 (downwelling irradiance and upwelling radiance sensors) and surface sensor PRR810 (downwelling irradiance sensors) was used for optical observations in this cruise. A Compact-CTD (MCTD) with chlorophyll and turbidity sensors was used to collected reference data for the optical studies. PRR800 and MCTD were mounted on a frame and were lowered to about 100 m from ship at the side facing to the sun (or at any side when the sun is invisible). PRR810 was set up near the deployment location to observe the downwelling irradiance at surface for reference. PRR/MCTD profiling casts were conducted at most CTD/Rosette stations when light, open water and time were suitable. The sampling frequency of PRR800/810 is 5Hz and for MCTD is 10Hz. The deployment usually took 20 minutes and was conducted simultaneously with CTD/Rosette cast. Totally 51 casts were finished in this cruise.

4 kinds of samples for optical analysis were obtained by filtering a water sample: a film (diameter 47mm, aperture 0.7μ m) for detritus (particulate), two films (25mm, 0.7 μ m; one in tinfoil, one in plastic box) for phytoplankton and a bottle of 100 mL water filtered through 0.2 μ m film for gelbstoff (yellow matter).Water samples at depth of 5 m, 20m and chlorophyll maximum were collected from Niskin bottles after CTD/rosette was on deck (referred as Phyto in the rosette sampling log). 82 films for detritus (particulate), 85*2 films for phytoplankton and 85 bottles filtered water samples for gelbstoff (yellow matter) were collected by filtering water samples at 29 CTD/Rosette stations. All the samples were kept in an icebox in the -20°C freezer at ship.

Surface sensor PRR810 was mounted at port side of foredeck to observe downwelling irradiance during August 14 and 26. Totally 178 hours data were recorded. The sampling interval was set as 60 seconds.

At ice floe, MCTD and PRR800 were lowered to the depth about 120 m successively in an ice hole. RR800 was sent into the ice hole by an under-ice frame to measure the irradiance and radiance under ice. Surface sensor PRR810 was mounted at ice surface to observe downwelling irradiance during PRR800 deployment. Above observations were conducted at 3 ice floes. Totally, 3 MCTD profiling casts, 1 PRR profiling cast, and 3 PRR under-ice observations were finished at 3 ice stations.

The location of these casts are listed in the appendix.

4.4 XCTD Casts (Legs 1, 2 and 3)



Figure 16. Shigeto Nishino holds XCTD launcher

XCTD (eXpendable Conductivity Temperature Depth) probes provided quick water profiles between more time intensive CTD casts. The probes were provided by JAMSTEC (Type XCTD-1 made by Tsurumi Seiki) and WHOI (Type XCTD-3). The probes were deployed from the stern of the ship, falling freely through the water and measuring temperature and conductivity every 0.15 m from the surface to 1100 m. Data were transmitted to the ship during the freefall by a thin conducting wire extending from the XCTD to an onboard computer. To prevent sea ice from cutting the wire of the XCTD, the ship slowed to 12 knots for the deployment in open water areas and completely stopped in heavy ice areas. It took 5 minutes for the XCTD to descend from the surface to 1100m.

According to the manufacturer's nominal specifications, the range and accuracy of parameters measured by the XCTD are as follows;

Parameter	Range	Accuracy
Conductivity	$0 \sim 60 [\text{mS/cm}]$	+/- 0.03 [mS/cm]
Temperature	-2 ~ 35 [deg-C]	+/- 0.02 [deg-C]
Depth	0 ~ 1000 [m] 5 [m]] or 2 [%] (either of them is major)

In this cruise, 30 XCTDs were launched into the Baffin Bay and 56 into the Canada Basin. Only 1 XCTD (Cast No. 38) failed to obtain the data which recorded anomalous values of temperature and conductivity. Locations are listed in the appendix.

4.5 Moorings (Leg 3)

Mooring operations were performed from the ship's foredeck using the starboard A-frame and WHOI provided LEBUS winch. Typical recovery procedure was to confirm the mooring's location at the mooring site, determine the ship's drift, open an ice free area and recover the mooring. New this year was the ability to attach the acoustic release deck unit into the ship's transducer. This means the surveys and release commands could all be performed from inside the forward lab. A rosette cast was performed at the site to help with calibration of the mooring's CTD. The set up for the mooring operation typically began in the morning with the actual release/deployment starting late morning. Three or more survey positions were obtained to pinpoint the mooring's location. The ship then broke ice for 1 to 2 hours over the mooring region, taking into account the predicted ice drift. After creating an ice free area over the given location the bridge would signal the deck team to release the mooring. The top float, only 50m below the surface, would appear within 30 seconds of being released. The float was hooked using the foredeck crane, brought on board and the line brought through the A-frame for recovery.





Figure 18. Mooring recovery

Figure 17. The bridge during mooring operations

WHOI moorings A, B, C, D and BS-3, and the University of Alaska Fairbanks' CABOS mooring were put into the water August 2005, each carrying a profiling CTD and current meter (McLane Moored Profiler, MMP) except for BS-3 which only has a CTD. These moorings were recovered, and except for the BS-3 mooring, were serviced and redeployed. Buoy locations are listed in the appendix.

The mooring operations were completed successfully. The difficulty of working in ice covered waters means there is the chance the mooring will come up under the ice. Two of the six moorings did come up under the ice, however with patience they were found and recovered. In the first case the mooring was recovered by bringing in the bottom set of floats first and retrieving the top float imbedded under multi-year ice last. The latter mooring's top float just took a little while to work its way to the surface and then was caught the standard way. Resulting design modifications for next year will have a transponder below the top float to will allow easy ranging before and after release. New this year was the option to connect the release's acoustic deck unit to the ship's sounder allowing communication to the releases from the ship's forward lab. The only difficulty is that bubbles under the hull from the bubbler and thrusters interfere with the communication. Thus timing the mooring release with ship position and ice cover takes more care. The moored profilers had all climbed their scheduled distances for the year except the for the CABOS profiler which unfortunately was incorrectly ballasted and meant the profiler did not have the ability to profile below the pycnocline.

4.6 Buoys (Leg 3)

Buoys were set up at three sites this year along the northern range of our study area. There sites were chosen for ice thickness (over 3m), protective ridging and location. The northwest buoy is likely to stay fairly stationary in the centre of the sea-ice gyre while the northeast set will likely drift southwest through the Canada Basin. There is an ice-tethered profiler (ITP) at each of the buoy sites. The northeast buoy site has additional buoys installed: ice mass balance buoy (IMBB), an Arctic Ocean Heat Flux (AOHF) buoy, and 6 GPS buoys in a 20nm radius ring around the other three.



Figure 19. Buoy preparations



Figure 20. Profiler being deployed

The buoys were all deployed using helicopter assistance to and from the ice. To install the ITPs, a hole was drilled; a gantry system set over the hole to assist in the lowering of the underwater portion of the buoy and positioning of the surface part; and then the gantry was removed. One of the two ITP/IMBBs deployed in 2005 was not far off the cruise track and a recovery was attempted. The attempt showed that different gear would be needed to successfully recover the buoy, in particular a gantry system that could be set up in a melt pond which may typically form around the buoy.

A couple setbacks were encountered during deployments: The first deployment was into a floe that contained a void which unfortunately trapped the anchor before it could be pulled back out. The anchor was cut off and the line brought in. A new termination and anchor were needed before it could be redeployed. The second try at this northwest corner was worse. The installation went well, but only after we left the site was it determined the profiler was not communicating with the buoy. There is a chance the profiler is working and saving data to memory although it is slim. The AOHF buoy also had a problem. It had the wrong startup information for the ADCP. An attempt was made to return to the site and correct the information however, due to the drifting ice, we were not able to find the buoy with the limited amount of time available. Buoy deployment locations are listed in the Appendix.

4.7 Ice Observations (Leg 3)

Jennifer Hutchings, IARC (excerpts from report)

Ice observations recording during the cruise will provide detailed information for the interpretation of satellite imagery of the ice pack. Our objective was to identify the major sea ice zones in the Beaufort Sea and determine the types and state of ice in these zones. This information will be used to support a joint drifting-buoy, RADARSAT SAR and field campaign to investigate sea ice dynamics in the Beaufort Sea during winter 2006 to spring 2007. The project, "Sea ice tide-inertial interaction: Observations and Modeling" is funded by the National Science Foundation, with PIs Jenny Hutchings and Bill Hibler. The observations from this cruise will also support a field project "Detailed investigation of the dynamic component of the sea ice mass balance" during spring 2007, with PIs

Jenny Hutchings, Jackie Richter-Menge and Cathy Geiger. We anticipate that the observations will be useful for investigating the evolution of the ice cover over this summer.

The cruise occurred over the time of minimum ice extent, providing a snapshot of ice conditions at the end of the 2006 melt season.

GPS Buoy Deployment

The prime objective of our project, deployment of a GPS buoy ice deformation array, was successfully completed. This buoy array will monitor pack ice strain rate of a 20mile region about a central autonomous buoy site, with 10 minute frequency.

Observations from Bridge: Methodology

Every hour, while the ship was steaming and light conditions allowed, an observation of ice conditions was recorded. Each observation was made from the bridge, and unless the weather was unusually foul the observer gauged ice coverage from the monkey island. Photos were taken to compliment observations, and are available on request from Jennifer Hutchings. Please contact Jennifer Hutchings should you wish to use the ice observations

Aerial Ice Observations

At various times during the cruise we had the opportunity to observe the ice cover from helicopter. In flying conditions when visibility was good, and the helicopter could travel at an altitude of 2000 feet, these flights were very helpful in extrapolating ship based observations to the wider field. During flights, notes were taken of ice coverage, distribution of types and state of melt. Photographs were taken as a record of ice conditions. In the compact region of pack ice above 76N, a handheld GPS with data logger was used to record the positions of leads and cracks along track. The orientation of these features was also recorded. This information will be used to support development of fracture models of pack ice.

Observations taken on ice stations

Transects of ice thickness, snow depth and melt pond depth can provide additional information about ice conditions that is not possible to gauge with shipboard methods. We had two objectives for ice station work: (1) to determine the mean level ice thickness and variability at point locations during the cruise, and (2) to investigate surface melt conditions in support of the albedo model development of Don Perovich, and to provide information about the progress of this summers melt. The most important component of our ice station work was to compliment the deployment of a cluster of six ice drifting buoys that will monitor ice deformation (the IARC GPS drifters) around an Ice Mass Balance Buoy (in collaboration with Cold Regions Research and Engineering Laboratory) that will monitor the thermodynamic evolution of the multi-year ice in the center of the buoys array.

4.8 Seismic array tows (Leg 3)

The primary objective of the seismic program was to test the air-gun seismic array's performance on the *CCGS Louis S St-Laurent* in the variable ice conditions of the

Canada Basin. If data collection was possible, the secondary objective was to collect as much seismic data along the most useful portions of the pre-established cruise track. These portions were broken into priority lines 1 through 5. The primary objective was completed and short portions of the priority lines were collected. The quality of the data may not be suitable for the final UNCLOS report however its indication of the sediment depth may be useful in planning future seismic surveys.

The tow-sled operations were staged on the quarterdeck and lab space was made in the AVGAS hold. The sled held three air-guns and was lowered just off the stern of the ship into approximately 10m of water. The hydrophone array, protected in a long clear plastic hose, was trailed off behind the sled. A compressor on the boat deck fed the airguns, which fired approximately every 20 seconds. The data from the sled and hydrophone array were fed to the lab computers in real time.



Figure 21. The tow sled being deployed.



Figure 22. The burst of bubbles from the airguns.

Towing periods were preferably long to reduce the number of deployments and recoveries with the ship's cranes. The merging of the seismic and Rosette/Mooring programs worked best when the tows could be carried out overnight between the rosette stations (12 hours at 5knts) with day time dedicated to mooring and buoy operations. This of course was only reasonable to do in mild ice conditions and after the system had been through a few test tows.

4.9 Mammal and bird observations (Leg 3)

Two wildlife observers stood watches daily above the bridge to record bird and mammal sightings. These sightings will be collated and mapped to indicate unique feeding areas. The oceanographic conditions of these regions will be examined to identify whether special bathymetric or other physical processes can explain aggregation behaviour. The observers stood three two-hour watches daily unless there were seismic operations. During seismic operations, night or day, the observers were on constant watch in order to report any marine mammals in the vicinity which would require the airgun firing to stop. Additionally, the observers were there to report any disturbance of the marine mammals due to science activity so that we could modify our activity or ship track as needed.



Figure 23. Wildlife observer, Ian Green takes a coffee break.

4.10 Drift-Bottle deployments (Legs 2-4)

This is simple science at its best. Numbered bottles with messages inside were tossed over the side, typically with each CTD cast. In two years we expect to start hearing back as people find these bottles washed up on shore. From the returned information, the starting and ending positions, probable route and a maximum transit time can be determined.



Figure 24. Message and bottle shown by Kristina Brown and Michiyo Kawai



Figure 25. Drifter deployment by Michele Dubois and Catherine Lacombe

4.11 Opportunistic Study

River samples from Kugaryuak and Coppermine Rivers

The fresh river water flowing into the archipelago has a geo-chemical signature. Taking samples from the river allows us to measure these signatures. This year, we had the opportunity to measure both the Kugaryuak and Coppermine Rivers.

Land ripples in Bathurst Inlet

During the transit through Coronation Gulf, a side trip was made for observations of an interesting area previously visited in 1997. The land 'ripples' or 'ropey rocks' (Eddy Carmack) were present on all the islands in the vicinity. Observations included photos, measurements of the wave length and height, rock composition and size, and lichen and plant collection. Prior research by Wes Blake in the 1960's of this area says the interesting features are raised gravel beaches. This is consistent with our observations.

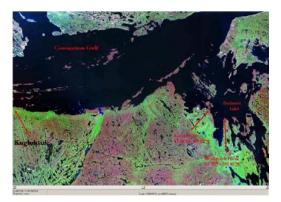


Figure 26. Map showing areas of Bathurst Inlet with Ripples.



Figure 27. Example of the ripples.

5. COMMENTS ON OPERATION

5.1 Ice conditions

The unusual ice conditions this year began with the easy passage through the Canadian Archipelago especially in Larsen Sound south to Victoria Strait. The past two years this section has been landfast ice at the end of July requiring much effort on the part of the first ship through each year (Louis S St-Laurent in 2004 and the Oden in 2005). The station plan had been to sample through Bellot Strait during Leg2, but due to mobile ice packed into the strait by winds we changed the station locations to measure the western end, in and outside of the strait in addition to the periodic stations along the cruise track.

The Canada Basin ice conditions were as expected in the southeast, providing good testing ground for the seismic tow sled in ice. To the west, along the 150W line the ice was quite thick. Interestingly the heavy ice was limited to the southern (up to approximately 74degN) region. Between 75 and 76degN we encountered open water, extending from the west and progressively opening farther to the east during the month so that on our return south along 140degW we went across the same band of open water. The ice analysis charts below show the change from the start to the end of Leg 3 in the Canada Basin. The melt at 75degN is quite pronounced. For comparison a 2004 ice analysis chart is also shown below.

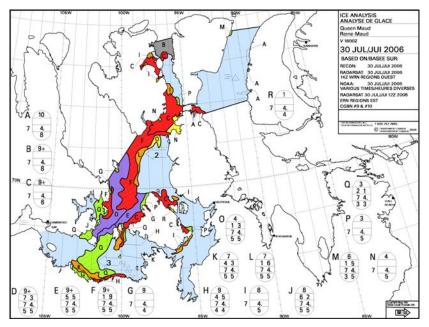


Figure 28. Ice concentration with many areas of open water in the North-West Passage on Leg 2.

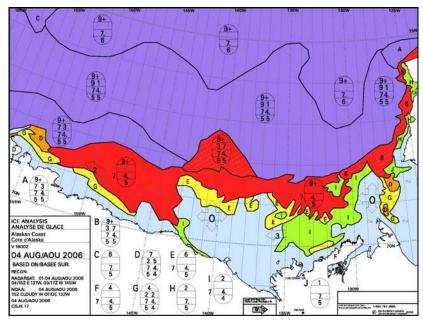


Figure 29. Ice concentration at the start of Leg 3

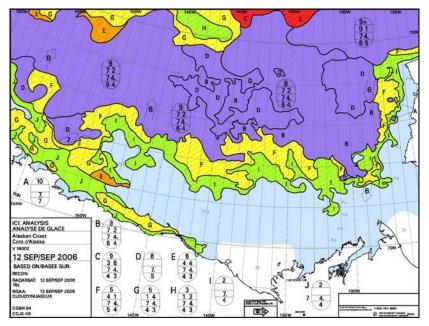


Figure 30. Ice concentration at the end of Leg 3

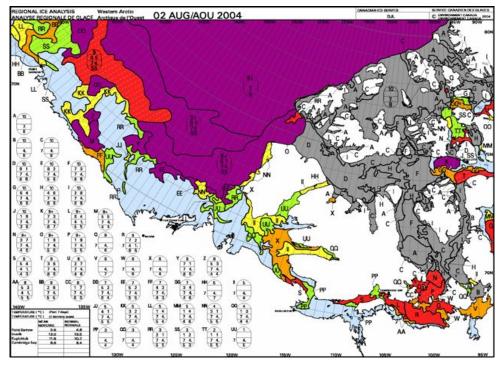


Figure 31. Ice concentration in 2004 shows landfast ice through Larsen Sound.

5.2 Planned activities that were not completed

The loss of ship time during Leg 3 impacted the number of rosette casts and mooring and buoy operations. The 42 day program was reduced by 10.5 days due to a change in flight time due to flight availability (2 days), repairs to the ship's propulsion system (4.5 days) and two medical evacuations (4 days).

The accumulated delays put quite a lot of pressure on science and crew to maximize the remaining time. Captain McNeill's support and assistance with juggling the order and timing of operations to take into account ice, weather, daylight, equipment and personnel was much appreciated. The officers and crew were very helpful working long days, sometimes in difficult weather to get as much science done as possible. We were fortunate that in both 2005 and 2006 the ship was able to make the repairs while at sea.

5.3 Improvements completed for 2006

The 2004 and 2005 science programs produced "wish lists" for the continued improvement of the ship's science capability. The ship has done an impressive job of addressing all of these requests. Some highlighted outcomes are:

- For CTD work there is a dedicated winch with 5000m of new conducting wire. This year brought the addition of an instrumented sheave with integrated displays for the CTD and winch operators, the bridge and the main lab.
- A new deepwater sounder with automated data collection. This is a significant improvement to the 2005 method of hand lowering a transducer over the side to take a point measurement for depth! The new system is configured to allow the mooring acoustic release deck units to attach to the transducer from the forward lab, easing mooring operations considerably.
- A new rosette sampling lab.
- There is now a computer data collection system that records and integrates underway measurements (currently meteorological, navigational and depth)
- Improved local area network system with drops to the science workspaces and many of the cabins used by the science group in addition to new computer work area in the ship's board room.
- Improvements to the foredeck starboard crane to ease with mooring operations

6. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The science team would like to thank the Coast Guard for their support and particularly the Captains and Crew of the *CCGS Louis S. St-Laurent*. Once again we have seen the accomplished and dedicated crew successfully handle problems as small as filling in a door gap to as large as fixing the ship's propulsion system. The care with which the ship is kept a comfortable and productive place to work is much appreciated. We'd also like to thank the Canadian Ice Service for their assistance with ice images and weather information as well as the helicopter pilots and mechanics for their valuable help with ice observations and transport. Thanks go to the *CCGS Sir Wilfrid Laurier* for transporting much or our equipment back to Victoria after the completion of Leg 3. Vera Williams' help with Danish clearance was crucial to our Leg 4 program. Importantly, we'd like to acknowledge DFO, NSF and JAMSTEC for their continued backing of this program.

APPENDIX A: Participants

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Leg 2-4	Bill Li	BIO	Bacteria samples
			Cs-137 and I-129
Leg 3	John Smith	BIO	samples
	Deb Neuten		Helium and Tritium
Leg 3	Bob Newton	LDEO	samples Light absorption in
Leg 3	Jinping Zhao	OUC	seawater
Leg 3	Russ Hopcroft	UAF	Zooplankton net tows
Leg 3	John Nelson	UVic/DFO	Zooplankton net tows
Leg 3	Igor Polyakov	IARC	CABOS mooring
3-	-g		CABOS mooring
Leg 3	Rob Chadwell	IARC	technician
Leg 3	Robert Pickart	WHOI	BS-3 mooring
Leg 3	Ruth Jackson	NRCan	Seismic
Leg 4	Kelly Falkner	OSU	CTD and chemistry
Leg 4	Humfrey Melling	IOS	CTD and chemistry

Affiliation Abbreviation

AIIIIauoli Au	
BIO	Bedford Institute of Oceanography, NS
DFO	Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Canada
IARC	International Arctic Research Center, Alaska
IOS	Institute of Ocean Sciences, BC
	Japan Agency for Marine-Earth Science
JAMSTEC	Technology, Japan
LDEO	Lamont Doherty Earth Observatory, NY
OSU	Oregon State University, OR
OUC	Ocean University China
NRCan	Natural Resources Canada
UAF	University of Alaska Fairbanks, Alaska
UBC	Univerisity of British Columbia, BC
UVic	University of Victoria, BC
	Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution,
WHOI	Massachusetts

APPENDIX B: Science Station Locations

Rosette/CTD Casts

Leg	Ca st #	Station	CAST START TIME (UTC)	Lat Deg (N)	Lat Min (N)	Lon Deg (W)	Lon Min (W)	Water Depth (m) from CTD data	Appro x. Cast Depth (m)	Sample #'s
			7/29/2006							
2	1	PE1	12:41 7/29/2006	74	14.6	95	23.03	211	200	1-8
2	2	PE3	17:18 7/29/2006	73	42.8	96	5.08	249	235	9-15
2	3	PE5	23:04 7/30/2006	72	55.6	96	12.43	351	345	16-23
2	4	Bellot	12:52 7/30/2006	71	58.5	95	1.27	229	181	24-34
2	5	BE3	17:15 7/30/2006	71	57.4	95	15.39	132	125	35-41
2	6	BE3A	19:03 7/31/2006	71	49.9	96	0.83	426	422	42-50
2	7	7	12:46 8/2/2006	69	49.3	99	19.73	111	106	51-55
2	8	QM1	4:51 8/2/2006	68	52.6	101	52.01	56	51	56-60
2	9	QM2	7:47 8/4/2006	68	40	103	0.4	120	111	61-64
2	10	CCG1	14:50 8/7/2006	68	6.04	114	15.71	219	214	65-70
3	11	AG5	17:58 8/8/2006	70	32.9	122	54.86	645	635	73-94
3	12	CABOS	19:12 8/8/2006	71	49	131	46.47	1109	231	95-109
3	13	CABOS	20:55 8/10/2006	71	48.5	131	46.61	1102	1089	110-133
3	14	CB28a	7:05	70	29.9	139	59.95	652	272	134-146
3	15	CB28a	8/10/2006 9:01	70	30.1	140	0.01	657	655	147-170
3	16	CB29	8/11/2006 1:25	71	59.9	139	58.63	2674	2665	171-194
3	17	CB28bb	8/11/2006 13:10	71	14.9	140	0.28	2285	2260	195-218
3	18	Sta-A	8/12/2006 7:32	71	47.3	143	56.33	3160	3146	219-242
3	19	Sta-A	8/12/2006 13:34	71	46.7	143	58.12	3167	1000	243-266
3	20	BS-3	8/13/2006 20:44	71	23.9	152	3.11	153	147	267-282
3	21	BS-3a	8/13/2006 23:41	71	19.8	152	12.64	60	54	283-292

			8/14/2006							
3	22	BS-3b	3:32 8/14/2006	71	32	151	35.55	1283	1273	293-315
3	23	BS-3c	9:45 8/14/2006	71	43.4	151	0.01	2263	205	316-321
3	24	BS-3c	10:46 8/14/2006	71	43.7	151	0.36	2263	2250	322-345
3	25	BS-3d	21:47 8/15/2006	72	1.37	150	0.08	3162	3153	346-369
3	26	CB-2a	7:56 8/15/2006	72	27.9	150	0.47	3717	3708	370-393
3	27	CB2	19:21 8/16/2006	72	57.8	149	56.25	3744	3734	394-417
3	28	CB3	12:52 8/18/2006	73	59.7	150	1.47	3823	3809	418-441
3	29	CB-5d	20:50 8/19/2006	75	44.1	157	12.49	920	912	442-465
3	30	CB-5b	0:09 8/19/2006	75	35.3	156	17.05	1824	1814	466-489
3	31	CB5b1	15:40 8/19/2006	75	32.6	156	15.83	1887	800	ctd only
3	32	CB5b2	21:27 8/20/2006	75	31.4	156	11.15	2025	996	ctd only
3	33	CB5b3	3:00 8/20/2006	75	29.9	156	11.94	2000	1000	ctd only
3	34	CB5b4	9:18 8/20/2006	75	28.6	156	12.16	2118	999	ctd only
3	35	CB5b5	17:22	75	27.7	156	16.92	1894	784	490-496
3	36	aborted ro	sette cast							
			8/21/2006							
3	37	CB5b7	11:35 8/21/2006	75	26.4	156	30.94	1330	995	ctd only
3	38	CB5b8	19:20 8/22/2006	75	26.4	156	41.9	1398	1013	497-505
3	39	CB5b9	8:35 8/22/2006	75	27.8	156	58.25	1409	996	506-513
3	40	CB5b10	19:51 8/23/2006	75	28.6	157	10.07	1386	500	514-534
3	41	CB5b11	7:00 8/23/2006	75	27.8	157	16.04	1306	999	ctd only
3	42	CB5b12	12:08 8/23/2006	75	27.4	157	15.57	1326	1319	536-559
3	43	CB5a	20:55 8/23/2006	75	33.6	155	34.53	3842	3832	560-583
3	44	CB5a	23:15 8/24/2006	75	33.5	155	37.3	3842	50	584-588
3	45	CB-5	4:24 8/24/2006	75	19.2	153	16.2	3840	3835	589-612
3	46	CB-4	14:15 8/25/2006	74	59.2	150	1.95	3825	3815	613-636
3	47	CB-4	0:36 8/26/2006	74	59.1	150	3.77	3825	500	637-658
3	40	Barrow	16:50	71	20.8	156	51.37	53	49	659-672
	48	Barron	8/29/2006							
3	48 49	CB-7		76	0.22	149	59.36	3829	3820	673-696
			8/29/2006	76 76	0.22 57.5	149 149	59.36 52.96	3829 3825	3820 3814	673-696 697-720

			19:19							
3	51	CB-9	8/30/2006 8:01 8/30/2006	77	59	149	52.26	3822	1000	721-744
3	52	CB-9	10:46	77	59	149	52.22	3822	3813	745-768
3	53	CB10	8/31/2006 5:04 8/31/2006	78	18.1	153	12.57	2455	2444	769-792
3	54	CB10a2	9:12 8/31/2006	78	20.6	153	29.08	1907	1000	793-816
3	55	CB10a2	11:09 8/31/2006	78	20.6	153	28.98	1907	1847	817-840
3	56	CB10a	16:11 9/1/2006	78	19.4	154	4.1	1005	994	841-864
3	57	CB11	14:08 9/3/2006	79	0.44	149	59.64	3817	3808	865-888
3	58	CB12	6:38 9/3/2006	77	42.4	146	48.67	3811	1000	889-912
3	59	CB12	8:43 9/3/2006	77	42.6	146	46.1	3811	3803	913-936
3	60	CB13	18:20 9/4/2006	77	19.4	143	30.51	3786	3777	937-960
3	61	CB16	6:39 9/4/2006	77	55.1	140	5.15	3748	3739	961-984
3	62	CB16	11:47 9/5/2006	77	52.5	140	7.81	3743	455	985-1001
3	63	CB15	10:45 9/6/2006	77	0.64	139	52.66	3727	3717	1002-1025
3	64	CB14a	5:37 9/6/2006	77	10.8	138	52.32	3717	1000	1026-1045
3	65	CB15	9:41 9/7/2006	77	1.03	139	56.27	3732	1000	1047-1070
3	66	CB17	13:23 9/8/2006	75	57.2	140	5.57	3708	3698	1071-1094
3	67	CB18	4:01 9/8/2006	75	1.24	140	1.84	3630	3628	1095-1118
3	68	CB21	19:56 9/9/2006	74	0.75	140	7.97	3528	3518	1119-1142
3	69	CB19	14:50 9/10/2006	74	19.2	143	10.79	3693	451	1143-1161
3	70	GF'06	21:44 9/11/2006	74	15.1	136	14.22	3215	3206	1162-1185
3	71	CB22 CBMED	5:49 9/12/2006	73	30.5	137	50.68	3167	3158	1186-1209
3	72	1 CBMED	0:11 9/12/2006	70	59.9	133	45.93	136	130	1210-1223
3	73	2	1:55 9/12/2006	71	7.98	133	44.07	480	474	1224-1247
3	74	CB31a	8:16 9/12/2006	72	6.18	133	15.32	1772	1763	1248-1271
3	75	CABOS	16:36 9/18/2006	71	49.7	131	45.96	1115	1108	1272-1295
4	76	Bellot	19:42 9/21/2006	71	57.4	95	14.9	45		ctd only
4	77 79	LS-1	17:58	73 72	51 20.0	82 74	48.04	755	750 101	1296-1307
4	78	BEW-11	9/22/2006	72	20.9	74	23.96	106	101	1308-1314

			12:30							
			9/22/2006							
4	79	BEW-10	15:12 9/22/2006	72	22.9	73	49.5	153	148	1315-1322
4	80	BEW-09	17:51 9/22/2006	72	24.9	73	9.91	679	674	ctd only
4	81	BEW-09	19:11 9/22/2006	72	24.5	73	8.09	701	695	1323-1341
4	82	BEW-08	22:25 9/23/2006	72	27.1	72	34.39	899	892	1342-1363
4	83	BEW-07	2:50 9/23/2006	72	30	71	59.89	1035	1028	1364-1385
4	84	BEW-06	7:46 9/23/2006	72	32.4	71	20.59	1214	1204	1386-1409
4	85	BEW-05	12:22 9/23/2006	72	35.2	70	50	1471	300	ctd only
4	86	BEW-05	16:41 9/23/2006	72	34.3	70	49.59	1471	1464	1411-1434
4	87	BEW-04 BEW-	23:11 9/24/2006	72	37.5	69	46.45	1833	1826	1435-1458
4	88	04.5	4:35 9/24/2006	72	35.8	70	16.23	1711	1702	ctd only
4	89	BEW-03	8:37 2006/09/24	72	40	68	59.7	2061	2052	1459-1482
4	90	BEW-02 BEW-	16:40 2006/09/24	72	45	67	57.93	2279	2273	1483-1506
4	91	02.5	22:01 2006/09/25	72	42.6	68	28.37	2202	2213	ctd only
4	92	B-01	02:05 2006/09/25	72	45.1	67	0.07	2367	2362	1507-1530
4	93	B-01	14:23 2006/09/25	72	45.1	67	0.35	2368	2359	ctd only
4	94	B-01	19:26 2006/09/25	72	44.7	67	2.4	2367	150	1531-1536
4	95	BNS-02	22:08 2006/09/26	73	3.03	67	0.09	2366	2356	1537-1560
4	96	BNS-03	04:33 2006/09/26	73	22.6	67	1.32	2350	2340	1561-1584
4	97	BNS-04	12:11 2006/09/26	73	40.8	67	0.02	2348	2320	1585-1608
4	98	BNS-05	19:08 2006/09/27	73	57.9	67	0.43	2238	2228	1609-1632
4	99 10	BNS-06	02:06 2006/09/27	74	16.9	67	0.41	2206	2198	1633-1656
4	0 10	BNS-07 BNS-	10:09 2006/09/27	74	33	66	59.83	2131	2102	1657-1680
4	1 10	07.5	15:09 2006/09/27	74	40	66	59.6	2082	2074	ctd only
4	2 10	BNS-08 BNS-	18:05 2006/09/27	74	47	66	59.94	1695	1688	1681-1704
4	3 10	08.5	23:07 2006/09/28	74	52.5	67	0.05	1263	1254	ctd only
4	4 10	BNS-09	02:08 2006/09/28	74	58	67	0.04	663	653	1705-1723
4	5	BNS-10	10:09	75	8.16	66	59.52	482	473	1725-1742
4	10	BNS-	2006/09/28	75	13.5	66	59.84	456	452	ctd only

	6	10.5	17:07							
	10		2006/09/28							
4	7	BNS-11	18:25	75	18.9	67	0	426	421	1743-1760
	10	BNS-	2006/09/28							
4	8	11.5	21:37	75	25	67	7.69	424	419	ctd only
	10		2006/09/28							
4	9	BNS-12	23:08	75	32	66	59.96	398	392	1761-1778
	11	BNS-	2006/09/29							
4	0	12.5	04:03	75	38.4	67	0.3	437	432	ctd only
	11		2006/09/29							
4	1	BNS-13	06:02	75	41.6	67	5.61	432	427	1779-1797
	11	BNS-	2006/09/29							
4	2	13.5	10:03	75	45.9	66	59.74	383	377	ctd only
	11		2006/09/29							
4	3	BNS-14	12:04	75	49.9	67	2.23	124	119	1798-1805

Mooring and Buoy Sites, all in Leg 3

WHOI MOORING OPERATIONS

	BS-3	BGOS-A	BGOS-B	BGOS-C	BGOS-D
	13-Aug-				
recovery date	06	17-Aug-06	30-Aug-06	5-Sep-06	8-Sep-06
recovery time	17:53 71	17:55	17:50	18:05	16:14
surveyed latitude surveyed	23.729' 152	75 0.3262'	77 59.626'	76 58.2515'	74 0.1500' 139
longitude	2.154'	149 53.3997'	149 57.958'	139 59.5852'	58.9264'
depth	149	3825	3821	3722	3510
duration	372	370	378	375	376
redeployment date		24-Aug-06	2-Sep-06	6-Sep-06	10-Sep-06
redeployment time		23:10	18:23	18:01	2:26
drop latitude		74 59.945'	77 59.662'	76 59.757'	74 0.018' 139
drop longitude		149 59.936'	149 58.167'	139 54.321'	59.794'

WHOI BUOY OPERATIONS

Proshutinsky and John Toole							
	ITP4	ITP6/IMB/AOFB	ITP5				
deployment date	3-Sep-06	4-Sep-06	7-Sep-06				
deployment time	0:00	20:00	20:00				
latitude	78 7.80' 148	77 53.61'	75 54.69'				
longitude	57.53'	140 25.2'	138 4.19'				

CABOS MOORING

Investigator	Recovery	Recovery	Recovery	Deployment	Deployment	Deployment
	Depth (m)	Location	Time (UTC)	Depth (m)	Location	Time (UTC)
			12-Sept		71 49.688'N	12-Sept
UAF/IARC	1112	71° 49.676'N	06	1111		06
		131°	1522			2156
I. Polyakov		45.663'W	(UTC)		131 45.691'W	(UTC)

IARC GPS BUOYS

Investigator: Jennifer Hutchings

Tutonings	
	6 ice drifting GPS buoys were deployed in a 10 mile radius ring about a central site with Ice Tethered Profiler, Ice Mass Balance
Description	Buoy and Heat Flux Buoy
Deployment date	4-Sep-06
Buoys at center of array	ITP6/IMB/AOFB
Latitude, center of array	77 53.61'
Longitude, center of array	140 25.2'

XCTD Casts

	XCTD-001			(UTC)			Depth
1		Jul	25	3:46:26	64 00.05909	055 00.06249	1100
1	XCTD-002	Jul	25	5:38:56	64 19.91538	055 32.71800	1052
1	XCTD-003	Jul	25	7:29:31	64 39.97037	056 04.77969	895
1 >	XCTD-004	Jul	25	9:21:15	64 59.94839	056 38.01469	656
1 >	XCTD-005	Jul	25	11:08:27	65 19.93839	057 11.05632	609
1 >	XCTD-006	Jul	25	12:45:37	65 40.11051	057 43.77794	579
1	XCTD-007	Jul	25	14:20:04	66 00.63844	058 15.21195	563
1 >	XCTD-008	Jul	25	16:19:40	66 19.22518	058 49.62594	628
1 >	XCTD-009	Jul	25	18:19:41	66 39.97017	059 21.18740	894
1	XCTD-010	Jul	25	20:15:52	66 59.90329	059 53.85706	937
1 >	XCTD-011	Jul	25	21:59:09	67 19.98129	060 26.99050	1065
1 >	XCTD-012	Jul	25	23:39:15	67 39.90084	060 59.63465	1517
1 >	XCTD-013	Jul	26	3:16:00	68 20.53747	061 41.29247	1730
1	XCTD-014	Jul	26	6:51:31	69 00.03170	061 55.33536	1851

1	XCTD-015	Jul	26	11:01:51	69 40.07162	062 44.86085	1970
1	XCTD-016	Jul	26	15:24:18	70 19.99429	064 01.62138	2077
1	XCTD-017	Jul	26	18:35:21	71 00.45358	064 45.63422	2158
1	XCTD-018	Jul	26	21:37:52	71 40.01068	065 29.85032	2266
1	XCTD-019	Jul	27	0:38:27	72 20.13666	066 17.42720	2330
1	XCTD-020	Jul	27	3:34:38	72 59.90472	066 58.59420	2346
1	XCTD-021	Jul	27	5:34:02	73 11.39051	068 29.35116	2329
1	XCTD-022	Jul	27	7:30:46	73 22.45366	069 59.40567	1686
1	XCTD-023	Jul	27	8:50:36	73 29.96047	070 59.45223	1217
1	XCTD-024	Jul	27	10:09:15	73 37.34618	071 59.41879	1089
1	XCTD-025	Jul	27	11:31:18	73 45.13044	073 00.01263	872
1	XCTD-026	Jul	27	12:48:07	73 52.29019	074 00.66514	836
1	XCTD-027	Jul	27	14:02:59	73 59.94211	074 59.43836	813
1	XCTD-028	Jul	27	19:47:26	74 15.19517	079 59.43288	805
1	XCTD-029	Jul	28	1:35:40	74 22.84921	084 59.07280	540
1	XCTD-030	Jul	28	8:24:01	74 19.99498	090 00.65023	296
3	XCTD-031	Aug	9	4:39:56	71 29.54638	132 57.88058	814
3	XCTD-032	Aug	9	9:04:33	71 30.10871	134 29.85171	1456
3	XCTD-033	Aug	9	13:11:53	71 30.31665	135 59.95880	1803
3	XCTD-034	Aug	9	17:59:06	71 30.40713	137 30.03089	2028
3	XCTD-035	Aug	9	21:37:45	71 31.62021	138 54.89950	2227
3	XCTD-036	Aug	10	11:24:32	70 44.97637	139 59.96250	1464
3	XCTD-037	Aug	10	13:16:05	70 59.61902	139 59.70010	2069
3	XCTD-038	Aug	10	16:12:44	71 30.24133	139 59.46287	2375
3	XCTD-039	Aug	10	16:29:59	71 31.17669	139 59.46034	2390
3	XCTD-040	Aug	11	19:30:52	71 32.52082	141 29.99713	2644
3	XCTD-041	Aug	11	22:26:57	71 48.19763	142 47.77275	2930
3	XCTD-042	Aug	12	20:22:19	71 23.52084	145 30.14401	3137
3	XCTD-043	Aug	13	0:44:10	71 22.77983	146 59.80011	2595
3	XCTD-044	Aug	13	5:18:14	71 22.60560	148 29.85956	3033
3	XCTD-045	Aug	13	10:40:06	71 21.95229	149 57.93993	1535
3	XCTD-046	Aug	13	14:08:48	71 21.85000	151 00.02000	228
3	XCTD-047	Aug	14	1:48:40	71 27.47994	151 49.14091	437

3	XCTD-048	Aug	14	7:01:00	71 37.42447	151 13.87624	1758
3	XCTD-049	Aug	14	8:28:56	71 42.60064	151 02.02919	2192
3	XCTD-050	Aug	14	15:48:57	71 51.92932	150 21.24425	2723
3	XCTD-051	Aug	15	3:30:06	72 14.46498	149 58.65550	3524
3	XCTD-052	Aug	16	4:57:30	73 29.98707	150 00.65370	3762
3	XCTD-053	Aug	16	20:58:30	74 19.57626	149 58.93731	3775
3	XCTD-054	Aug	17	8:09:05	74 32.54416	148 06.23021	3747
3	XCTD-055	Aug	18	6:16:53	75 10.59226	151 30.26874	3792
3	XCTD-056	Aug	18	16:15:13	75 37.50629	155 59.06247	2395
3	XCTD-057	Aug	18	17:10:48	75 40.09598	156 21.29090	1342
3	XCTD-058	Aug	26	1:21:27	72 44.85132	154 25.07698	3258
3	XCTD-059	Aug	26	5:32:03	72 22.27402	155 22.43048	1673
3	XCTD-060	Aug	26	6:57:28	72 12.69914	155 34.48440	504
3	XCTD-061	Aug	28	1:19:43	73 25.16723	153 58.05192	3802
3	XCTD-062	Aug	28	10:09:12	74 10.32263	152 04.01695	3791
3	XCTD-063	Aug	29	4:03:13	75 29.63445	149 50.15593	3779
3	XCTD-064	Aug	29	15:20:11	76 29.95366	149 56.35313	3777
3	XCTD-065	Aug	30	2:30:36	77 29.81870	149 56.46348	3821
3	XCTD-066	Aug	31	0:13:28	78 09.25827	151 41.87659	3817
3	XCTD-067	Aug	31	3:04:17	78 17.06774	152 58.61598	3177
3	XCTD-068	Aug	31	18:13:44	78 21.62837	154 16.85562	948
3	XCTD-069	Aug	31	19:25:06	78 25.11343	154 40.52541	1541
3	XCTD-070	Sep	1	1:59:12	78 27.61926	154 48.80664	1800
3	XCTD-071	Sep	1	3:23:31	78 32.37000	153 51.38000	2011
3	XCTD-072	Sep	1	4:03:55	78 33.59552	153 38.36212	2516
3	XCTD-073	Sep	1	5:14:22	78 37.01673	153 13.26478	3734
3	XCTD-074	Sep	1	5:18:16	78 37.02566	153 12.65267	3734
3	XCTD-075	Sep	1	7:53:51	78 46.02897	152 08.92782	3814
3	XCTD-076	Sep	1	7:59:27	78 46.05215	152 08.70849	3814
3	XCTD-077	Sep	2	5:20:32	78 30.17866	150 02.06894	3815
3	XCTD-078	Sep	4	1:43:13	77 38.67860	141 40.81713	3764
3	XCTD-079	Sep	5	4:15:27	77 30.74784	140 02.86162	3732
3	XCTD-080	Sep	8	1:31:17	75 23.68239	139 05.08837	3656

3	XCTD-081	Sep	8	9:45:08	74 30.56452	140 03.51334	3642
3	XCTD-082	Sep	9	18:07:25	74 08.50288	141 51.08348	3642
3	XCTD-083	Sep	10	15:22:06	74 09.20121	137 26.18150	3343
3	XCTD-084	Sep	10	15:25:51	74 09.19915	137 26.05825	3343
3	XCTD-085	Sep	11	13:42:08	72 47.57066	136 42.73357	2721
3	XCTD-086	Sep	11	19:12:07	72 06.69329	135 56.87119	2213

PRR Light Transmission Casts

	PRR			Start time	Pos	sition	Depl	loyment	Water sample
	Profile						depth		(CTD
Leg	#	Station	Date	UTC	Lat(N)	Lon(W)	(m)	location	cast #)
3	1	AG5	8-Jul	18:56	70 32.96	122 54.86	100	6	11
3	2	CABOS	8-Aug	23:31	71 48.45	131 46.62	120	2	12
3	3	CB28A	8-Oct	8:27	70 29.88	139 59.92	100	2	13
3	4	CB29	8-Nov	3:03	71 59.90	139 58.63	100	3	0
3	5	CB28BB	8-Nov	13:21	71 14.88	140 00.29	110	2	0
3	6	STAA	8-Dec	11:34	71 47.25	143 57.41	120	2	18
3	7	STAAA	8-Dec	16:13	71 46.02	144 00.84	80	2	0
3	8	BS3	Aug-13	21:21	71 23.52	152 02.90	100	2	20
3	9	BS3C	Aug-14	12:09	71 44.07	151 00.65	50	1	24
3	10	BS3D	Aug-14	21:59	72 01.58	150 00.02	100	4	25
3	11	BS3DR	Aug-14	23:22	72 01.66	150 00.08	120	4	0
3	12	CB2A	Aug-15	8:15	72 27.77	150 04.65	70	4	26
3	13	CB2	Aug-15	19:30	72 57.84	149 56.26	130	4	27
3	14	CB3	Aug-16	13:18	73 59.35	150 01.77	120	4	28
3	15	CB3R	Aug-16	15:02	73 58.79	150 02.94	120	4	0
3	16	CB5D	Aug-18	21:24	75 44.12	157 12.55	120	4	29
3	17	CB5B	Aug-19	0:33	75 35.26	156 17.05	120	4	0
3	18	CB5BR	Aug-19	5:47	75 35.10	156 15.93	80	4	0
3	19	CB5BR1	Aug-19	14:28	75 32.64	156 15.76	120	3	0
3	20	CB5BR2	Aug-19	19:13	75 31.98	156 12.46	120	3	0
3	21	CB5BR3	Aug-20	0:59	75 30.09	156 11.04	120	3	0
3	22	CB5BR4	Aug-20	15:01	75 27.93	156 15.90	80	3	0
3	23	CB5BR5	Aug-20	17:24	75 27.66	156 17.11	125	4	0
3	24	CB5BR6	Aug-20	22:11	75 27.99	156 19.14	120	4	0
3	25	CB5BR7	Aug-21	3:51	75 27.82	156 23.28	60	3	0
3	26	CB5BR8	Aug-21	17:11	75 26.12	156 38.93	100	3	0
3	27	CB5BR9	Aug-21	22:20	75 27.07	156 44.83	130	3	38
3	28	CB5BRA	Aug-22	16:52	75 28.42	157 07.10	120	4	0
3	29	CB5BRB	Aug-23	0:15	75 28.30	157 13.86	4	3	0
3	30	CB6BRC	Aug-23	2:01	75 28.30	157 13.86	50	3	0
3	31	CB6BRD	Aug-23	2:09	75 28.30	157 13.86	37	4	0

3	32	CB7BRE	Aug-23	15:44	75 26.94	157 56.17	105	3	42
3	33	CB5A	Aug-23	21:50	75 33.65	155 35.52	80	3	43
3	34	CB5	Aug-24	5:01	75 19.45	153 15.90	110	3	45
3	35	CB4	Aug-24	16:00	74 59.21	150 02.87	100	4	46
3	36	BARROW	Aug-26	17:32	71 20.73	156 51.61	50	3	48
3	37	CB8	Aug-29	19:40	76 57.47	149 52.68	110	3	50
3	38	CB9	Aug-30	12:39	77 59.02	149 51.81	100	4	52
3	39	CB10	Aug-31	5:37	78 18.82	153 12.28	50	3	53
3	40	CB10A	Aug-31	15:47	78 19.37	154 03.72	100	3	56
3	41	CB11	9-Jan	17:07	79 00.45	149 59.61	90	4	foredeck
3	42	CB12	9-Mar	6:54	77 42.42	146 47.46	100	3	59
3	43	CB13	9-Mar	18:57	77 20.42	143 29.51	45	4	60
3	44	CB16	9-Apr	14:25	77 52.78	140 07.74	100	4	62
3	45	CB15	9-Jun	18:07	76 59.70	139 53.64	100	4	0
3	46	CB17	9-Jul	15:00	75 56.98	140 03.22	100	4	0
3	47	CB18	9-Aug	4:49	75 00.76	140 01.67	100	3	67
3	48	CB21	9-Aug	20:20	74 01.00	140 09.62	90	3	68
3	49	CB19	9-Sep	15:25	74 19.07	143 10.46	15	3	0
3	50	GF06	9-Oct	22:09	74 14.90	136 15.28	100	3	70
3	51	CABOSR	9-Dec	17:40	71 49.44	131 46.46	110	4	75

PRR On-Ice Casts

Cruise	Station	Date	Latitude (N)	Longitude (W)	Time
LSSL2006- 18	ICE1	Aug-31	78 27.41	154 47.80	21:06- 23:45
LSSL2006- 18	ICE2	9-Jan	78 57.77	149 28.42	
LSSL2006- 18	ICE3	9-Apr	77 54.77	140 22.10	

Vertical Net Tows

Leg	Net event	Station Informatio n	Latitude (N)	Longitude (W)	Date (UTC)	Time (UTC)	Approx. Cast Depth (m)	Appro x. Water Depth (m)	Notes
3	1	CTD cast #8, CABOS Mooring	71.63	131.79	8-Aug- 06	2300	100	1100	flow meter #4 (50µm) not working Spilt some of sample 236a Labels dated 09/08/06 should be 08/08/06

3	2	CTD cast #8, CABOS Mooring	71.63	131.79	8-Aug- 06	2320	100	1100	flow meter #4 (50µm) not working
3	3	CTD cast #14, CB-28a	70.50	140.00	10-Aug- 06	745	100	655	no ice present Net went under boat on downcast so waited at 100m for
3	4	CTD cast #14, CB-28a	70.50	140.00	10-Aug- 06	814	100	655	~15mins
3	5	CTD cast #18, Station A	71.79	143.94	12-Aug- 06	1038	100	3300	start of flow meter changed - estimated at the number listed
3	6	CTD cast #18, Station A	71.79	143.95	12-Aug- 06	1052	100	3300	
3	7	CTD cast #18, Station A	71.79	143.95	12-Aug- 06	1109	500	3300	Large Mysid in 500m haul (150µm)
3	8	CTD cast #20, BS-3	71.39	152.05	13-Aug- 06	2146	100	150	1st haul not vertical both hauls
3	9	CTD cast #20, BS-3	71.33	152.21	13-Aug- 06	2203	100	150	abundance of chaetognaths and jelly fish - clogged up mesh
3	10	CTD cast #30, CB-5b1	75.56	156.25	19-Aug- 06	1057	100	2026	ship offline to fix shafts used bubbler to make hole low arrow worms high copepods.
3	11	CTD cast #30, CB-5b1	75.55	156.27	19-Aug- 06	1112	100	2026	236u put in 40% ethanol - changed to 97% 22 August 2006
3	12	CTD cast #39, CB-5b9	75.47	157.00	22-Aug- 06	1144	500	1409	C C
3	13	CTD cast #39, CB-5b9	75.47	157.00	22-Aug- 06	1214	100	1409	
3	14	CTD cast #39, CB-5b9	75.47	157.00	22-Aug- 06	1227	100	1409	
3	15	CTD cast #46, CB-4	74.98	150.04	24-Aug- 06	1518	100	3778	
3	16	CTD cast #46, CB-4	74.99	150.04	24-Aug- 06	1527	100	3778	
3	17	CTD cast #49, CB-7	76.00	149.99	29-Aug- 06	847	30	3780	
3	18	CTD cast #49, CB-7	76.00	149.98	29-Aug- 06	907	30	3780	
3	19	CTD cast #49, CB-7	76.00	149.97	29-Aug- 06	944	100	3780	

3	20	CTD cast #49, CB-7	76.00	149.97	29-Aug- 06	955	100	3780	
3	21	CTD cast #52, CB-9	77.98	149.87	30-Aug- 06	1111	100	3819	
3	22	CTD cast #52, CB-9	77.98	149.87	30-Aug- 06	1123	100	3819	biomass left in oven 34 hours
3	23	CTD cast #65, CB-15	77.02683 33	139.96616 67	6-Sep- 06	1115	100	3726	contaminated
3	24	CTD cast #65, CB-15	77.02933 33	139.96933 33	6-Sep- 06	1126	100	3726	contaminated
3	25	CTD cast #65, CB-15	76.99	139.87466 67	6-Sep- 06	1946	100	3726	redo 23
3	26	CTD cast #65, CB-15	77.98966 67	139.8745	6-Sep- 06	1955	100	3726	redo 24
3	27	CTD cast #66, CB-17	75.9505	140.06783 33	7-Sep- 06	1511	100	3705	
3	28	CTD cast #66, CB-17	75.95016 67	140.06666 67	7-Sep- 06	1524	106	3705	high wind used bubbler when nets were on the way back up
3	29	CTD cast #67, CB-18	75.01166 67	140.04116 67	8-Sep- 06	549	100	3629	.,
3	30	CTD cast #67, CB-18	75.01066 67	140.044	8-Sep- 06	600	100	3629	
3	31	CTD cast #68, CB-21	74.02516 67	140.2095	8-Sep- 06	2152	100	3525	Ice algae in 53u net? Scraped ice on upcast. 2nd tow cancelled due to wind
3	32	CTD cast #75, CABOS	71.81883 33	131.712	12-Sep- 06	1715	100	1125	flow meter #3 did not work?
3	33	CTD cast #75, CABOS	71.828	131.77283 33	12-Sep- 06	1737	100	1125	