MR07-05 Cruise Summary



1. Cruise information

- 1. Cruise designation (research vessel) MR07-05 (R/V MIRAI)
- 2. Cruise title

Biogeochemical study in the western North Pacific and Study of role of zooplankton on material cycles at time-series station K2 in the northwestern North Pacific

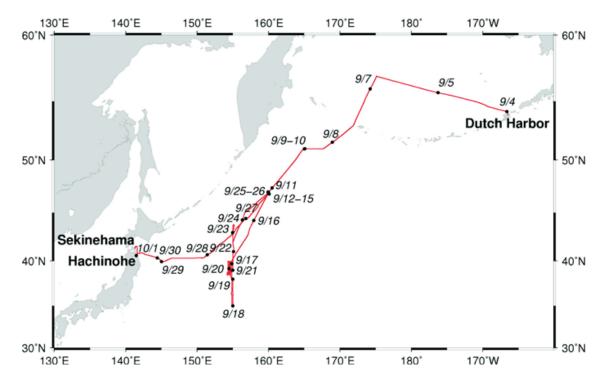
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3. Science proposals of cruise

S/N	Affiliation	PI Proposal	Titles	
MR07-22	JAMSTEC IORGC	Kinpei Ichiyanagi	Rain Sampling for Stable Isotopes	
MR07-23	JAMSTEC IORGC	Toshio Suga	Variation of temperature and salinity i the Subarctic North Pacific: ARGO project	
MR07-24	Tokyo Univ.	Mitsuo Uematsu	Air-sea interaction of chemical substances in the North Pacific (IGBP/SOLAS project)	
MR07-25	JAMSTEC IORGC	Kunio Yoneyama	Continuous surface meteorological measurements as a basic dataset.	
MR07-27	Ryukyu Univ.	Takeshi Matsumoto	Standardization of marine geophysical data and its application to the ocean floor geodynamics studies	
MR07-28	Tokyo Univ.	Shigenobu Takeda	Study of dissolution of biogenic opal	
MR07-29	NIES	Nobuo Sugimoto	Study of distribution and optical characteristics of ice/water clouds and marine aerosols	
MR07-30	Nagoya Univ.	Toshiro Saino	Control system of primary productivity in the Northern North Pacific	
MR07-31	NIES	Masao Uchida	Utilization of DOC by bacteria and its contribution on carbon cycle in the ocean	
MR07-32	Hokkaido Univ.	Seiichi Saito	Study of primary productivity observed by remotely sensing data of ocean color.	

MR07-55	JAMSTEC IFREE	Natsue Abe	Underway Geophysical Survey in the
			Northwestern Pacific for Study of
			Petit-spot Intra-plate Volcanism

- 4. Cruise period (port call)
 4 September 2007 (Dutch Harbor) 2 October 2007 (Sekinehama)
- 5. Cruise region (geographical boundary) The western North Pacific (57°N. 35°N, 154°E. 175°E)
- 6. Cruise track and stations



2. Cruise Participants

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3. Overview of MR07-05

1. Objective

To collect oceanographic data in autumn in the northwestern North Pacific for the sake of understanding cycles of chemical substances focusing on CO₂ and role of zooplankton in its materials' cycle

2. Overview of MR07-05

Main mission of this cruise is to collect oceanographic data in autumn in the northwestern North Pacific for the sake of understanding cycles of chemical substances focusing on CO_2

and role of zooplankton in its materials' cycle in this area.

As same as previous cruise in this area, we were plagued by bad weather and sea condition. Though we planned to conduct observation at many stations including a station in the Bering Sea and station KNOT, we cannot but suspend many observations at many stations. However we could conduct comprehensive observation at station K2, which is our time-series station.

At first, mooring system was deployed successfully after one-year hiatus. This mooring system consists of automatic water sampler (RAS), optical sensor package (BLOOMS) and sediment trap. Until autumn 2008, time-series samples will be collected in order to study the biological pump in this area, especially focusing on materials' cycles in the "twilight zone".

Secondly, we visited station K2 twice during this cruise and measured chemical substances such as dissolved oxygen, nutrients and carbon chemistry. Compared with previous data, concentrations of nutrients and dissolved inorganic carbon were close to annual minimum and it was suspected that winter mixing would start soon. Concentration of chlorophyll a and primary productivity were not low, which was indicative of that particulate organic carbon flux was not low. Analysis of pigments by HPLC revealed that haptophytes such as coccolithophorids was predominant during this cruise. Biological observation with plankton net (IONESS and NORPAC) was also conducted. One of scientific interests is carbon transport by zooplankton ontogenetic migration. Preliminary result showed that some fraction of copepod such as *Neocalanus cristatus* and *Neocalanus plumchrus* still exist in the upper layer and annual carbon export by migration was not over. In addition, onboard incubation was conducted and grazing pressure by micro zooplankton was measured. As a result, 60% of phytoplankton was grazed by micro zooplankton. Microscopic analysis will supply more information about the roll of zooplankton in material's cycle in the northwestern North Pacific.