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Kairei Cruise Report

KR14-10



New phase of Ocean Hemisphere Project: Imaging the normal oceanic mantle by advanced ocean bottom observations (Northwest Pacific Ocean)

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Photo in the front page: Recovery of EFOS recorder (above), and the pressure case (lower right) and the sensor (lower left) of BBOBS-NX at NM01 on Sep. 13, 2014. These instruments were suspended by rope under the Kaiko vehicle and retrieved after Kaiko-7000II system had been settled on deck.

1. Cruise Information

- Cruise ID KR14-10
- Name of vessel Kairei
- Title of the cruise

New phase of Ocean Hemisphere Project: Imaging the normal oceanic mantle by advanced ocean bottom observations

• Title of the proposal

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- Cruise period Sep. 9 Oct, 2, 2014
- Ports of departure / call / arrival Shiogama to JAMSTEC Yokosuka
- Research area Northwest Pacific Ocean (Northwest and southeast areas of the Shatsky Rise) and three areas near the Japan trench
- Research Map See Fig. 1 in Section 3.2

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3. Observation

3.1 Purpose and background

We proposed and got funded by Grant-in-aid for specially promoted research (JSPS) to conduct a research program in 5 years toward understanding of the mantle dynamics from an <u>innovative</u> <u>observational approach</u> by answering two fundamental questions in Earth science:

- (a) What is the physical condition for the lithosphere-asthenosphere boundary (LAB)?
- (b) Is the mantle transition zone (MTZ) a major water reservoir of the Earth?

The "normal" ocean floor is the best window to approach these questions as it allows us to see the inside of the Earth through it without the disturbance due to the thick and heterogeneous continental crust. However, any approach, if ever attempted, has not yet been successful because of technological difficulties in obtaining high-quality geophysical data in the ocean.

The present investigators had conducted the Ocean Hemisphere network Project (OHP) in 1996-2001, in which a network of geophysical observatories was built in the western Pacific region. Data from the OHP network, especially from broadband seismographs on land and under water, precise magnetometers, submarine cables to measure electric field, successfully provided improved global images of the Earth's interior in terms of seismic velocities and electrical conductivity (e.g., <u>Utada</u> et al., *GRL*, 2003). During the OHP project, we had also developed a set of new portable ocean bottom instruments, broadband ocean bottom seismometers (BBOBSs) and ocean bottom electro-magnetometers (OBEMs).

These new observation technologies have been fully utilized in the 5-year Stagnant Slab Project (SSP) that succeeded the OHP since 2004. In the SSP, we have carried out a long-term (3 years in total) joint observation of BBOBSs and OBEMs in the Philippine Sea (Shiobara et al., EOS, 2009) to study the upper mattle and the MTZ where the subducted Pacific slab appears to be stagnating. We have made significant contributions to the SSP by obtaining results such as the estimation of water content in the MTZ by joint interpretation of seismic and electromagnetic tomography (Koyama, Utada et al., AGU Monograph, 2006; Utada et al., EPSL, 2009) and the seismic evidence for water transportation deep into the mantle by subducting slab (Kawakatsu & Watada, Science, 2007). We also revealed the upper mantle structure in this region by analyzing BBOBS data (Isse et al. PEPI, 2010) and OBEM data (Baba et al., PEPI, 2010). From the northwest Pacific Ocean, Kawakatsu et al. (Science, 2009) presented seismic evidence that indicates the lithosphere-asthenosphere boundary to be a sharp seismic discontinuity. Integration of these pieces of evidence obtained by existing technology is undoubtedly useful to solve two questions, but it is not enough.

Recently, we developed (e.g. Shiobara et al. 2011) further innovative instruments (BBOBS-NX: broadband ocean bottom seismometer next generation; EFOS: Earth electric field observation system). By improving the mechanical coupling between the sensor housing and seafloor sediments, the BBOBS-NX enables us to record horizontal seismic motions, as well as vertical ones, with a typical noise level comparable to land observations. This gives us a strong advantage over other OBS's because it allows us

to apply station-based powerful seismic analysis methods commonly used on land, such as the receiver function and shear-wave splitting analyses, for ocean bottom data. The EFOS, on the other hand, measures the electric voltage difference at the seafloor by using a 10 km long cable. Compared to the OBEM measuring the electric field with a spacing of only 5 m, it successfully reduces the noise level to 1/10 or lower so as to provide reliable estimates of electromagnetic responses in a wide period range (1,000-500,000 s) that have high sensitivity to the electrical conductivity in the upper mantle and in the MTZ. Therefore, we are now capable of providing strong constraints to answer the two questions (a) and (b) listed above by applying our advanced observational technologies to the "normal oceanic mantle" (as opposed to the mantle beneath subduction zones, hot spots or mid-oceanic ridges). Therefore we call the project as **the NOMan project**.

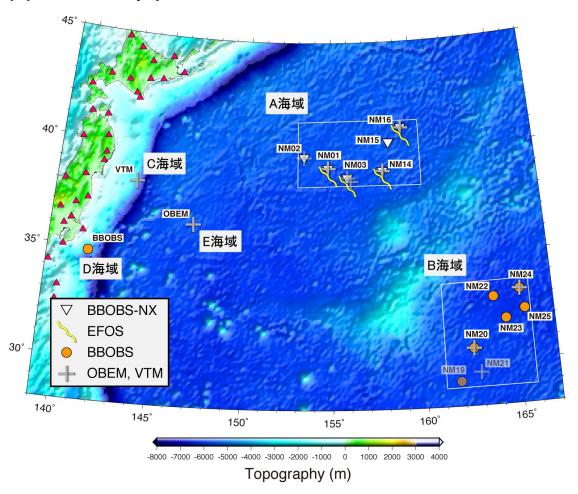


Fig. 1 Map of observation sites to be visited in the present cruise. Areas A and B are the main study areas of the NOMan project. Areas C, D and E are additional sites to recover instruments that were left there due to some trouble in releasing anchor.

In KR10-08 conducted in June 2010, we started a pilot experiment of the NOMan project, in which two BBOBS-NX's and one EFOS are deployed together for the first time in our experience, as well as 3 BBOBS's and 5 OBEM's of conventional type. We expected this pilot experiment would provide us a good opportunity to train ourselves for instrumentations, observations, data processing and analyses.

The second cruise of the NOMan project, KR11-10 was planed as the first phase of the main observation of the project, recovering instruments deployed in the pilot experiment, and deploying more number of BBOBS-NX's and EFOS's as well as BBOBS's and OBEM's. However, we had to change our cruise plan so that only conventional instruments (BBOBS's and OBEM's) which do not need KAIKO 7000-II dive operation are going to be recovered and deployed. The recovery and deployment of advanced instruments (BBOBS-NX's and EFOS's) are postponed to be conducted in the summer of 2012, which is KR12-14. The KR11-10 cruise was carried out from November 16 to 30, 2011. Due to a bad weather condition, we recovered only one BBOBS and one OBEM at the site NM04, and re-installed them in the area A. In the area B, we successfully deployed 8 BBOBS's and 8 OBEM's, respectively. Every instrument was equipped with batteries sufficient for two-year deployment, so as to be recovered in the summer of 2013. In KR12-14, we recovered 2 BBOBS's, 2 BBOBS-NX's, 1 EFOS recorder and 4 OBEM's from the pilot and 1st experiments, and deployed 6 BBOBS-NX's and 4 EFOS's (one replacement and three new installations), as well as 5 BBOBS's and 8 OBEM's.

In the summer of 2013 and in June of 2014, we have carried out two cruises by using a chartered vessel, Kaiyu (OOC) to maintain the observation array. In the 2013 cruise, most of BBOBSs and OBEMs installed in previous cruises were recovered or replaced. In the 2014 cruise, a controlled source seismic experiment was conducted to reveal shallower structures with high resolution. After this experiment, all BBOBSs and OBEMs, except OBEMs collocated with EFOS, were retrieved from area A.

The present cruise is the most important one in the NOMan Project in which we plan to recover all remaining instruments (6 BBOBS-NXs, 4 EFOSs, 7 BBOBSs, 6 OBEMs and 1 VTM) from whole study area. Data retrieved by this cruise will make a significant contribution for the fulfillment of the scientific purposes of the NOMan project.

3.2. Research Areas in plan

This cruise has 5 research areas including two target areas A and B in the northwest Pacific Ocean and three additional areas C, D, and E (Fig. 1). The area A (northwest of the Shatsky Rise) is the main target of the project where the sea floor is considered as 'normal'. The area B (southeast of the Shatsky Rise) is the second target, selected for testing generality of the result. In the areas C, D, and E, we plan to recover one vector tsunami meter (VTM), one BBOBS and one OBEM, respectively, all of which includes long-term observation data useful for the present purpose. Locations of observation sites in plan to be visited in KR12-14 cruise are summarized in Table 1a.

In area A, we plan to recover BBOBS-NX at 6 sites (NM01, NM02, NM03, NM14, NM15 and NM16) and EFOS at 4 sites (NM02, NM03, NM16, NM14). We also recover OBEM at 5 sites (NM01, NM02, NM03, NM14 and NM16) and BBOBS at NM01. Recoveries at these sites in the area A all include ROV/Kaiko7000-II operation. In the area B, we plan to recover BBOBS at 5 sites (NM20, NM22, NM23, NM24 and NM25) and OBEM at 2 sites (NM20 and NM24). NM19 and NM21 are

substitute sites where BBOBS and OBEM have to be recovered by Kaiko-7000II, respectively.

Table 1a. Locations of observation sites in plan of the KR12-14 cruise. Sites from NM01 to NM16 belong to the area A, while those from NM19 to NM25 belong to the area B

Site	Lat. (N)	Lon. (E)	Site	Lat. (N)	Lon. (E)	Site	Lat. (N)	Lon. (E)
NM01	39 12.06	154 47.04	NM16	41 13.98	159 03.00	NM23	33 13.02	164 24.42
NM02	39 42.06	153 21.30	NM19	29 09.00	161 46.44	NM24	33 13.02	165 15.72
NM03	38 45.72	155 54.60	NM20	30 38.46	162 33.00	NM25	32 18.96	165 26.64
NM14	39 02.70	158 00.53	NM21	29 32.51	162 51.55			
NM15	40 16.98	158 27.00	NM22	32 57.12	163 48.66			
C-VTM	38 13.68	143 34.28	D-BB	34 54.45	141 15.59	E-EM	36 26.02	147 01.13

3.3 Instruments used for the observation

3.3.1 BBOBS

BBOBS's have been used in many of our previous projects, and are to be used in the present project. It consists of a pressure housing, hydrophone for acoustic release system, and an anchor. A broadband sensor, batteries and recording unit are contained in the pressure case (a 65 cm diameter sphere) made of titanium alloy (Fig. 2). It is deployed by free-fall and recovered by self pop-up system. However, one BBOBS at NM01 is recovered by Kaiko-7000II operation, because its recovery by self pop-up was failed in a previous cruise.

3.3.2 OBEM

OBEM's have also been used in our previous projects together with BBOBS's. It consists of two grass spheres, frame made of titanium, an acoustic release system, and an anchor. There two types of OBEM deployed in this cruise. One is ERI type (OBEM-ERI) and the other is JAMSTEC type (OBEM-JM). OBEM-ERI is equipped with a three-component fluxgate sensor and recording unit are installed in one sphere and batteries in the other (Fig. 3a), while OBEM-JM is equipped with a fluxgate sensor in a titanium cylinder and recoding unit and batteries in a glass sphere (Fig. 3b). Either OBEM is deployed by free-fall and recovered by self pop-up system. However, some of OBEMs (at NM01 and NM03) must be recovered by Kaiko-7000II operation because recovery by self pop-up was failed in previous cruises.

3.3.3 BBOBS-NX

BBOBS-NX (Fig. 4) is an advanced ocean bottom seismometer newly developed by our group (Shiobara et al., 2011). It is deployed by free-falling with the recording unit temporally fixed above the sensor unit. After confirming that the sensor unit is penetrated into the sediment deeply enough, the recording unit is released from the sensor unit, and it is replaced on the seafloor nearby the sensor unit by

ROV KAIKO 7000-II. This operation enables us to make seismic noise level as low as those at normal land observatories at the period band (10-1000 seconds) important for the present purpose. During KR12-14 cruise, we recovered two BBOBS-NX (NM02 and NM03) and replaced new one by KAIKO 7000-II operation. In addition, we installed four more BBOBS-NX's at NM01, NM14, NM15, and NM16. 3.3.4 EFOS

EFOS (Earth's electric field observation system) is an advanced ocean bottom instrument for measuring the electric field by using a long cable. It consists of a cable bobbin and data recorder which are deployed from the ship by a buoy system with an acoustic release system. The buoy is released after landing the ocean bottom. Then KAIKO 7000-II picks up and tow the cable bobbin to lay a cable in a particular direction. The electrical potential difference between electrodes at the end of the cable and near the recorder is measured and recorded at a sampling interval of 1 s. In the pilot experiment, we tried to deploy a system with 6 km long cable (EFOS-6) at site NM03 but had to terminate the installation at the cable length of 3 km due to the weather condition. In KR-12-14 cruise, the recording unit at NM03 was replaced for further two-year long observation, and 3 more sets of EFOS with 2 km cable (EFOS-2) were installed at NM01, NM14 and NM16.

3.4 Instrument photos



Fig. 2 BBOBS deployed at the seafloor site NM01 in June 2010 and recovered during this cruise after 4 years. The photo was taken from Kaiko 7000II as she approaches the instrument.

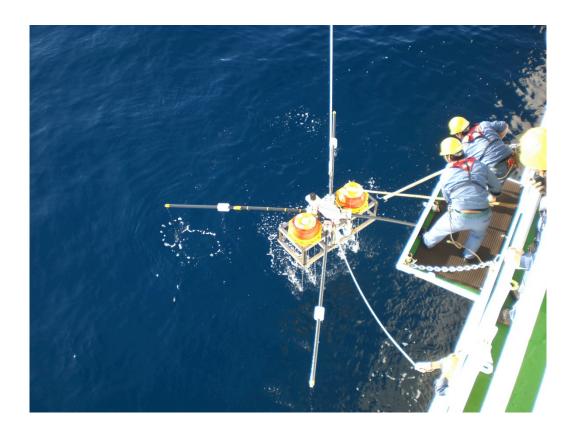


Fig. 3a OBEM-ERI recovered and deployed in the present cruise. The photo was taken at the recovery to Kairei at site NM16.



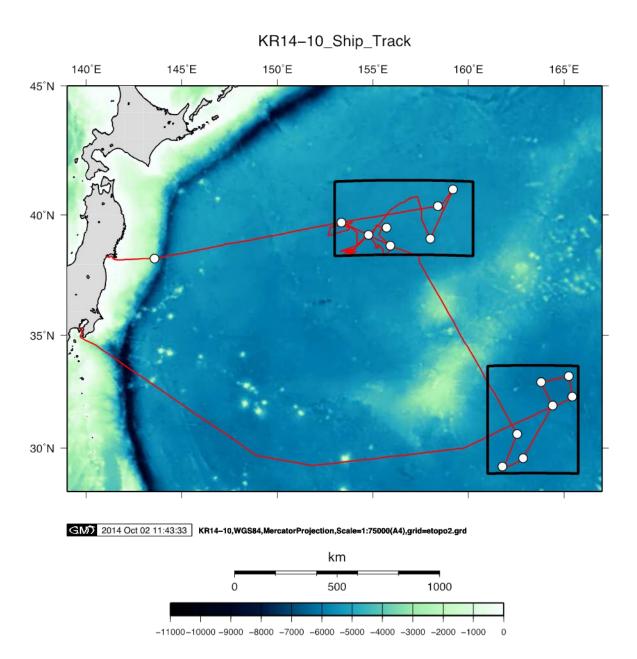
Fig. 3b OBEM of one-sphere type recovered at NM02 in the present cruise. The photo was taken at the deployment during the KR12-14 cruise.



Fig. 4 BBOBS-NX at seafloor site NM14, which consists of the titanium sphere containing data recorder and batteries (left) and 3-component sensor (right, half buried in the sediment). This picture was taken by KAIKO 7000-II as she approaches the site.



Fig. 5. EFOS recorder (with yellow hat) on anchor frame at the seafloor viewed down from KAIKO 7000-II when she approaches the site NM14.



3.5.2 Shipboard Log

Date	Local Time	Note	Description	Position/Weather/Wi
				nd/Sea condition
9-9-2014		Let go all shore lines & left		9/9
		SHIOGAMA for Research area.		12:00(UTC+9h)
	08:00	Scientists onboarded.		OFF ISHINOMAKI
				WAN
	09:00	Let go all shore lines,		38-20.4N,141-18.3E
		& left SHIOGAMA for OFF		Fine but cloudy
		ISHINOMAKI WAN.		
	11:30-12:00	Carried out shipboard education &		EAST-3(Gentle
		training for scientists.		breeze)
	13:00-14:00	KR14-10 Cruise meeting.		2(Sea smooth)
	14:10-14:30	"KAIKOU 7000 II" operation		1(Low swell sea)
		briefing.		
	16:40-17:00	Carried out KONPIRA pray.		Visibly:7
	18:00-18:30	Scientists meeting.		
10-9-2014		Recovered VTM, Area C.		9/10 12:00(UTC+9h)
	06:06	Proceeded to research area (Area		OFF East
		C).		KINKAZAN
	15:30	Arrived at research area (Area C).		38-12.5N,142-41.6E
	15:51	Sent out released command to		Fine but cloudy
		VTM.		
	15:59	VTM left sea bottom.	Depth=3,353m	ESE-3(Gentle
				breeze)
	18:11	Recovered VTM on deck.		3(Sea slight)
	18:30	Left Research area C for next		3(Moderate short)
		research area (Area A).		
	19:30-19:50	Scientists meeting.		Visibly:8
	24:00	Ship Local time + 1hour.	UTC+10 hour	
11-9-2014		Proceeded to research area.		9/11
<u> </u>	10.00.10.1	~		12:00(UTC+10h)
	18:00-18:30	Scientists meeting.		OFF East

KINKAZAN				
38-55.5N,148-09.0E				
Fine but cloudy				
ESE-3(Gentle				
breeze)				
3(Sea slight)				
4(Moderate average)				
Visibly:8				
9/12		Recovered OBEM (ERI100 &		12-9-2014
12:00(UTC+10h)		ERI12), NM01.		
North-West Pacific		Arrived at research area (Area A,	06:30	
Ocean		NM02).		
39-16.2N, 154-34.5E	39-42.0673N,1	Released XBT.	06:33	
l	53-16.7949E			
Rain		Suspended "KAIKO 7000 II" dive	07:40	
l		operation due to rough sea.		
SE-6(Strong breeze)		then proceeded to next site		
l		(NM01).		
5(Sea rough)		Arrived at research site (NM01).	12:40	
3(Moderate short)	Depth=5,730.6	Sent out released command to	13:10	
L	m	OBEM (ERI100).		
Visibly:7		OBEM (ERI100) left the sea	13:21	
		bottom.		
l	Depth=5,722.4	Sent out released command to	13:40	
L	m	OBEM (ERI12).		
		OBEM (ERI12) left the sea bottom.	13:43	
		Recovered OBEM (ERI100).	15:29	
		Recovered OBEM (ERI12).	16:59	
1		Com'ced MBES mapping survey	17:17	
		(NM01 to NM03).		
		Scientists meeting.	19:30-19:50	
9/13		"KAIKO 7000 "#629 Dive		13-9-2014
12:00(UTC+10h)		(Recovered EFOS &		

		BBOBS-NX) ,NM01.		
North-West Pacific		Finished MBES mapping survey	03:54	
Ocean		(NM01 to NM03).		
39-12.0N,154-45.9E		Arrived at Dive area (NM03).	04:00	
Fine but cloudy		Changed dive area, for avoiding	06:00	
		fishing activity.		
WSW-5(Fresh		then proceeded to next dive site		
breeze)		(NM01).		
4(Sea moderate)		Arrived at Dive site (NM01).	10:10	
3(Moderate short)	39-11.6818N,1	Released XBT.	10:13	
	54-47.3326E			
Visibly:7		Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 II".	11:27	
	Dive No.629	Launched "KAIKO 7000 II", then it	11:33	
		dove & com'ced her operation.		
	Depth=5,748m	"KAIKO 7000 II" landed on the sea	13:59	
		bottom.		
	Depth=5,748m	"KAIKO 7000 II" left the sea	16:23	
		bottom.		
		Scientists meeting.	18:00-18:20	
		Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 II".	19:26	
		Recovered "KAIKO 7000 II" &	19:41	
		finished the operation.		
		Recovered EFOS (EFOS6) &	20:22	
		BBOBS (NX-D).		
		Com'ced MBES mapping survey	20:47	
		(NM01 to NM02).		
9/14		MBES mapping survey.		4-9-2014
12:00(UTC+10h)				
North-West Pacific		Suspended MBES mapping survey,	04:27	
Ocean		due to rough sea.		
39-33.8N,153-23.5E		Suspended "KAIKO 7000 II" dive	08:00	
		operation, due to rough sea.		
Fine but cloudy		then com'ced heave to.		
WEST-7(Naer gale)		Scientists meeting.	18:00-18:20	

MBES mapping survey. 6(Sea rough	18:28	
6(Heavy swell short		
Visibly:		
YKAIKO 7000 II"#630 9/1.		15-9-2014
(Recovered OBEM & 12:00(UTC+10h		
BBOBS-NX), NM02.		
MBES mapping survey, Next North-West Pacifi	05:37	
proceeded to next area. area=NM02 Ocea		
Arrived at Dive point. NM02 39-42.7N,153-21.11	10:10	
d up "KAIKO 7000 II". Fine but cloud	07:37	
CAIKO 7000 II", then it Dive No.630 NNW-4(Moderat	07:43	
com'ced her operation. breeze		
00 II" landed on the sea Depth=5,726m 4(Sea moderate	09:57	
bottom.		
KO 7000 II" left the sea Depth=5,730m 3(Moderate short	15:16	
bottom.		
d up "KAIKO 7000 II". Visibly:	17:25	
ed "KAIKO 7000 II" &	17:37	
finished the operation.		
ered OBEM (JM104) &	18:16	
BBOBS-NX (NX-B).		
eft NM02 for next area.	18:30	
Scientists meeting.	20:00-20:15	
KO 7000 "#631 Dive 9/1		16-9-2014
1 BBOBS-NX), NM15. 12:00(UTC+10h		
at dive site (NM15). North-West Pacifi	09:50	
Ocea		
Released at XBT. 40-20.7270N,1 40-21.8N,154-24.2l	09:56	
58-23.2572E		
d up "KAIKO 7000 II". Fine but cloud	11:27	
CAIKO 7000 II", then it Dive No.631 WNW-4(Moderat	11:33	
com'ced her operation. breeze		
00 II" landed on the sea Depth=5,575m 3(Sea slight	13:41	

		bottom.		
2(Low swell long)	Depth=5,577m	"KAIKO 7000 II" left the sea	14:57	
		bottom.		
Visibly:8		Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 II".	17:02	
		Recovered "KAIKO 7000 II" &	17:12	
		finished the operation.		
		Recovered BBOBS-NX (NX-F).	17:19	
		Left NM15 for next area (NM16).	18:00	
		Scientists meeting.	18:00-18:15	
		Com'ced MBES mapping survey	18:10	
		(NM15 to NM16).		
9/17		Recovered OBEM & "KAIKO		17-9-2014
12:00(UTC+10h)		7000 "#632 & #633		
		Dive(Recovered EFOS &		
		BBOBS-NX) ,NM16.		
North-West Pacific		Arrived at dive point & finished	03:00	
Ocean		MBES mapping survey (NM15 to		
		NM16).		
41-01.3N,159-11.3E	Depth=5,551m	Sent out released command to	03:06	
		OBEM (ERI14).		
Fine but cloudy		OBEM (ERI14) left the sea bottom.	03:14	
ENE-2(Light breeze)		Recovered OBEM (ERI14).	06:24	
1(Calm)		Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 II".	08:23	
2(Low swell long)	Dive No.632	Launched "KAIKO 7000 II", then it	08:28	
		dove & com'ced her operation.		
Visibly:8	Depth=5,575m	"KAIKO 7000 II" landed on the sea	10:43	
		bottom.		
		Suspended "KAIKO 7000 II"	11:08	
		operation, due to trouble of her		
		manipulator,		
	Depth=5,575m	then "KAIKO 7000 II" left the sea		
		bottom.		
		Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 II".	13:19	
		Recovered "KAIKO 7000 II" &	13:27	

14:39	T				
14:45 Launched "KAIKO 7000 II", then it dove & com'ced her operation.			finished the operation.		
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16:52 "KAIKO 7000 " landed on the sea bottom. 18:03 "KAIKO 7000 " left the sea bottom. 18:30-18:50 Scientists meeting. 20:10 Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 " & finished the operation. 20:21 Recovered "KAIKO 7000 " & finished the operation. 20:59 Recovered EFOS (EFOST) & BOOBS-NX (NX-A). 21:10 Left NM16 for next dive site (NM14). 18-9-2014 WAIKO 7000 " #634 Dive(Recovered EFOS & BOBS-NX) & Recovered OBEM(ERI10),NM14. 06:00 Arrived at dive area(NM14). North-West Pacific Ocean 06:06 Released at XBT. 39-04.3198N,1 39-02.7N,158-00.6E 58-01.3430E O7:24 Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 ", then it dove & comiced her operation. O9:49 "KAIKO 7000 " inhen it dove & comiced her operation. O9:49 "KAIKO 7000 " landed on the sea bottom. O9:49 "KAIKO 7000 " left the sea bottom. OBEM(ERI10). OBEM(ERI10). OBEM(ERI10).		14:45	Launched "KAIKO 7000 II", then it	Dive No.633	
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18:30-18:50 Scientists meeting.			bottom.		
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20:10 Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 II".			bottom.		
20:21 Recovered "KAIKO 7000 II" & finished the operation.		18:30-18:50	Scientists meeting.		
18-9-2014 Company Co		20:10	Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 II".		
20:59 Recovered EFOS (EFOS7) & BBOBS-NX (NX-A).		20:21	Recovered "KAIKO 7000 II" &		
BBOBS-NX (NX-A).			finished the operation.		
18-9-2014		20:59	Recovered EFOS (EFOS7) &		
18-9-2014			BBOBS-NX (NX-A).		
18-9-2014		21:10	Left NM16 for next dive site		
Dive(Recovered EFOS & BBOBS-NX) & Recovered OBEM(ERI10),NM14.			(NM14).		
Dive(Recovered EFOS & BBOBS-NX) & Recovered OBEM(ERI10),NM14.					
BBOBS-NX) & Recovered OBEM(ERI10),NM14.	18-9-2014		"KAIKO 7000 "#634		9/18
OBEM(ERI10),NM14. North-West Pacific Ocean			Dive(Recovered EFOS &		12:00(UTC+10h)
06:00			BBOBS-NX) & Recovered		
Ocean Ocea			OBEM(ERI10),NM14.		
06:06 Released at XBT. 39-04.3198N,1 39-02.7N,158-00.6E 58-01.3430E 07:24		06:00	Arrived at dive area(NM14).		North-West Pacific
11:18					Ocean
O7:24 Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 II". Cloudy		06:06	Released at XBT.	39-04.3198N,1	39-02.7N,158-00.6E
07:29 Launched "KAIKO 7000 II", then it dove & com'ced her operation. 09:49 "KAIKO 7000 II" landed on the sea bottom. 11:18 "KAIKO 7000 II" left the sea bottom. 12:04 Sent out released command to OBEM(ERI10). Dive No.634 ESE-5(Fresh breeze) Depth=5,506m 3(Sea slight) Depth=5,507m 2(Low swell long) Visibly:7				58-01.3430E	
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bottom. 12:04 Sent out released command to Visibly:7 OBEM(ERI10).			bottom.		
12:04 Sent out released command to Visibly:7 OBEM(ERI10).		11:18	"KAIKO 7000 II" left the sea	Depth=5,507m	2(Low swell long)
OBEM(ERI10).			bottom.		
		12:04	Sent out released command to		Visibly:7
12.21			OBEM(ERI10).		
13:31 Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 II".		13:31	Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 II".		

	Recovered "KAIKO 7000 II" &	13:41	
	finished the operation.		
	Recovered EFOS (EFOS5) &	13:49	
	BBOBS-NX (NX-C).		
	Recovered OBEM (ERI10).	15:13	
	Com'ced MBES mapping survey.	15:21	
9/19	Suspended "KAIKO 7000 II"		19-9-2014
12:00(UTC+10h)	Dive.		
North-West Pacific	Suspended MBES mapping survey,	03:04	
Ocean	due to rough sea.		
40-29.5N,156-30.3E	Suspended "KAIKO 7000 II"	08:00	
	Dive, due to rough sea.		
Fine but cloudy	Scientists meeting.	18:00-18:15	
WEST-7(Near gale)			
5(Sea rough)			
5(Moderate long)			
Visibly:7			
9/20	Suspended "KAIKO 7000 "		20-9-2014
12:00(UTC+10h)	Dive.		
North-West Pacific	Arrived at dive area (NM01), then	07:00	
Ocean	suspended "KAIKO 7000 II" Dive.		
	Due to rough sea.		
38-35.4N,156-58.4E	Com'ced MBES mapping survey.	13:37	
Fine but cloudy	Scientists meeting.	18:00-18:10	
WEST-5(Fresh			
breeze)			
4(Sea moderate)			
4(Moderate average)			
Visibly:8			
9/21	"KAIKO 7000 "#635		21-9-2014
12:00(UTC+10h)	Dive(Recovered BBOBS),NM01.		

Ocean				
39-12.0N,154-47.1E		Arrived at dive area (NM01).	07:00	
Overcast		Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 II".	11:12	
NORTH-3(Gentle	Dive No.635	Launched "KAIKO 7000 II", then it	11:16	
breeze)		dove & com'ced her operation.		
2(Sea smooth)	Depth=5,748m	"KAIKO 7000 II" landed on the sea	13:41	
		bottom.		
3(Moderate short)	Depth=5,748m	"KAIKO 7000 II" left the sea	14:24	
		bottom.		
Visibly:7		Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 II".	16:35	
		Recovered "KAIKO 7000 II" &	16:44	
		finished the operation.		
		Recovered BBOBS (B).	16:50	
		Left NM01 for next dive site	17:30	
		(NM03).		
		Scientists meeting.	18:00-18:15	
		Carried out MBES mapping	18:34-23:05	
		survey.		
9/22		"KAIKO 7000 "#636 Dive		22-9-2014
12:00(UTC+10h)		(Recovered BBOBS-NX) &		
		Deploy OBEM (ERI2) ,NM03.		
North-West Pacific	NM03	Arrived at dive site (NM03).	01:40	
Ocean				
38-45.1N,155-54.0E		Sent out released command to	02:56-03:30	
		OBEM (ERI3).		
Fine but cloudy		Searched OBEM (ERI3).	06:00-06:50	
NE-2(Light breeze)		Suspended search for OBEM	06:55	
		(ERI3) ,due to OBEM(ERI3) was		
		missing.		
2(Sea smooth)		Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 II".	07:51	
2(Low swell long)	Dive No.636	Launched "KAIKO 7000 II", then it	07:56	
		dove & com'ced her operation.		
Visibly:8	Depth=5,752m	"KAIKO 7000 II" landed on the sea	10:16	
		bottom.		

Depth=5,758m	"KAIKO 7000 II" left the sea	16:35	
	bottom.		
	Scientists meeting.	18:00-18:15	
	Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 II".	18:43	
	Recovered "KAIKO 7000 II" &	18:52	
	finished the operation.		
	Recovered BBOBS-NX (NX-D).	18:59	
	Deployed OBEM (ERI2).	20:15	
Depth=5,763m	Carried out calibration OBEM	23:15-23:58	
	(ERI2).		
	Proceeded to next research area		23-9-2014
			23 9 2011
		00.00	
		00.00	
		04:32-05:36	
		04.32-03.30	
		10.00 10.15	
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OTC+11 noui	Ship Local time + Thour.	24.00	
	Recovered BBOBS & OBEM,		24-9-2014
	NM20.		
32-10N,161-34	Practiced boat & water proof	09:30-10:00	
Е	station drill.		
	Arrived at Research site (NM20).	16:30	
Depth=5,915m	Sent out released command to	16:32	
	BBOBS (13B).		
	BBOBS (13B) left the sea bottom.	16:38	
		l	
Depth=5,922m	Sent out released command to	16:44	
Depth=5,922m	Sent out released command to OBEM (TT1).	16:44	
	Depth=5,763m UTC+11 hour 32-10N,161-34 E	Scientists meeting. Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 II". Recovered "KAIKO 7000 II" & finished the operation. Recovered BBOBS-NX (NX-D). Deployed OBEM (ERI2). Carried out calibration OBEM (ERI2). Proceeded to next research area (Area B). Left NM03 for next research area (Area B, NM20). Carried out MBES mapping survey. Scientists meeting. Ship Local time + 1hour. UTC+11 hour Recovered BBOBS & OBEM, NM20. Practiced boat & water proof station drill. Arrived at Research site (NM20). Sent out released command to BBOBS (13B).	Bottom. 18:00-18:15 Scientists meeting.

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Visibly:8		Recovered BBOBS (13B).	18:23	
		Scientists meeting.	18:30-18:45	
		Recovered OBEM (TT1).	20:08	
		Left NM20 for next dive site	20:40	
		(NM19).		
9/25		"KAIKO 7000 "#637		25-9-2014
12:00(UTC+11h)		Dive(Recovered BBOBS), NM19.		
North-West Pacific		Carried out MBES mapping	03:18-06:31	
Ocean		survey.		
29-09.0N,161-46.5E	29-14.9734N,1	Released XBT.	04:48	
	61-34.5331E			
Cloudy		Arrived at dive area (NM19).	06:00	
NE-5(Fresh breeze)		Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 II".	08:41	
4(Sea moderate)	Dive No.637	Launched "KAIKO 7000 II", then it	08:46	
		dove & com'ced her operation.		
3(Moderate short)	Depth=5,917m	"KAIKO 7000 II" landed on the sea	11:39	
		bottom.		
Visibly:8	Depth=5,917m	"KAIKO 7000 II" left the sea	12:54	
		bottom.		
·		Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 II".	15:15	
		Recovered "KAIKO 7000 II" &	15:25	
		finished the operation.		
		Recovered BBOBS (NMPC).	15:31	
·		Left NM19 for next dive area	16:10	
		(NM21).		
·		Com'ced MBES mapping survey	16:22	
		(NM19 to NM21).		
·		Scientists meeting.	18:00-18:15	
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9/26		"KAIKO 7000 "#638 Dive		26-9-2014
12:00(UTC+11h)		(Recovered OBEM anchor),		
		NM21.		
North-West Pacific		Finished MBES mapping survey.	04:47	
Ocean				

29-32.5N,161-51.6E	29-35.9858N,1	Released XBT.	04:52	
	62-50.9015E			
Rain		Carried out MBES mapping	05:14-05:58	
		survey.		
SE-5(Fresh breeze)		Arrived at dive site (NM21).	06:15	
4(Sea moderate)		Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 II".	07:25	
3(Moderate short)	Dive No.638	Launched "KAIKO 7000 II", then it	07:30	
		dove & com'ced her operation.		
Visibly:5	Depth=5,978m	"KAIKO 7000 II" landed on the sea	10:14	
		bottom.		
	Depth=5,977m	"KAIKO 7000 II" left the sea	11:12	
		bottom.		
		Hoisted up "KAIKO 7000 II".	13:42	
		Recovered "KAIKO 7000 II" &	13:52	
		finished the operation.		
		Recovered OBEM anchor	13:55	
		(OBEM:TT7).		
	Next	Left NM21 for next site (NM2	14:40	
	area=NM23	3).		
		Scientists meeting.	18:00-18:15	
9/27		Recovered BBOBS (NM23,		27-9-2014
12:00(UTC+11h)		NM22, NM24) & OBEM		
		(NM24).		
North-West Pacific		Arrived at research site (NM23).	03:40	
Ocean				
32-57.3N,163-48.0E	Depth=6,017m	Sent out released command to	03:50	
		BBOBS (13L).		
Fine but cloudy		BBOBS (13L) left the sea bottom.	03:56	
SW-2(Light breeze)		Recovered BBOBS (13L).	05:40	
2(Sea smooth)		Left NM23 for next research site	05:50	
		(NM22).		
3(Moderate short)		Arrived at research site (NM22).	10:40	
	Depth=6,132m	Sent out released command to	10:46	
Visibly:5	Depth 0,132m	Some our released communa to	100	

		BBOBS (13E) left the sea bottom.	10:51	
		Recovered BBOBS (13E).	12:27	
		Left NM22 for next research site	12:30	
		(NM24).		
		Arrived at research site (NM24).	17:50	
	Depth=6,072m	Sent out released command to	18:05	
		BBOBS (13J).		
		BBOBS (13J) left the sea bottom.	18:10	
	Depth=6,119m	Sent out released command to	18:21	
		OBEM (ERI8).		
		Recovered BBOBS (13J).	19:52	
		Recovered OBEM (ERI8).	21:48	
		Left NM24 for next site (NM2	22:00	
		5).		
9/28		Recovered BBOBS,NM25.& Left		28-9-2014
12:00(UTC+11h)		research area for YOKOSUKA.		
North-West Pacific		Arrived at research site (NM25).	04:15	
Ocean				
31-37.0N,163-47.5E	Depth=6,064m	Sent out released command to	04:25	
		BBOBS (13K).		
Fine but cloudy		BBOBS(13K) left the sea bottom.	04:32	
ENE-6(Strong		Recovered BBOBS (13K).	06:11	
breeze				
4(Sea moderate)		Left research area for	06:20	
		YOKOSUKA.		
4(Moderate average)		Scientists meeting.	18:00-18:10	
Visibly:8	UTC+10 hour	Ship Local time — 1hour.	24:00	
9/29		Proceeded to YOKOSUKA.		29-9-2014
12:00(UTC+10h)				
North-West Pacific		Scientists meeting.	18:00-18:10	
Ocean				
29-40.0N,156-31.0E				
Fine but cloudy				

				SE-4(Moderate
				breeze)
				3(Sea slight)
				4(Moderate average)
				Visibly:8
30-9-2014		Proceeded to YOKOSUKA.		9/30
				12:00(UTC+10h)
		Scientists meeting.		OFF EAST
				OGASAWARA
				islands
	24:00	Ship Local time — 1hour.	UTC+9 hour	29-24.1N,150-33.7E
				Fine but cloudy
				WSW-4(Moderate
				breeze)
				3(Sea slight)
				4(Moderate average)
				Visibly:8
1-Oct-14		Proceeded to YOKOSUKA.		10/1 12:00(UTC+9h)
	09:00-10:00	Scientist seminar.		OFF ESE
				НАСНІЈО-ЈІМА
	18:00-18:30	Scientists meeting.		32-17.8N,144-24.2E
				Fine but cloudy
				East-4(Moderate
				breeze)
				3(Sea slight)
				3(Moderate short)
				Visibly:8
02-Oct-14		Arrived at YOKOSUKA		10/2 11:00
				(UTC+9h)
	11:00	Sent out 1st shore line, arrived at		YOKOSUKA
		YOKOSUKA,conpleted KR14-10.		

Dive #629 (Site NM01)

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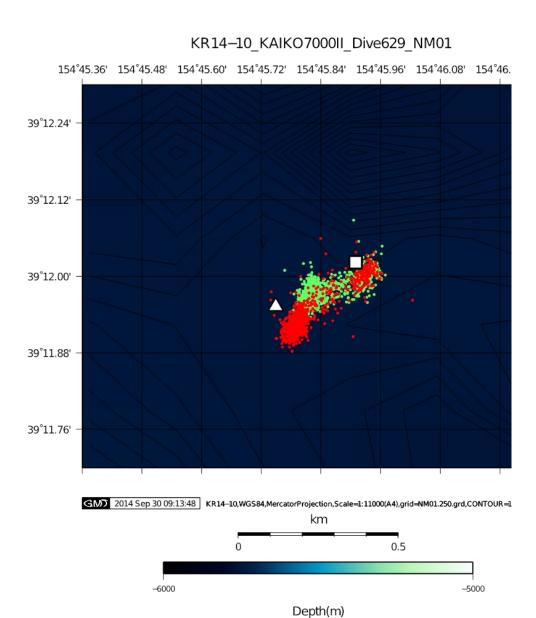


Fig. 7 Track of the vehicle (red) and launcher (green) at NM01 to recover BBOBS-NX (triangle) and EFOS recorder (square).

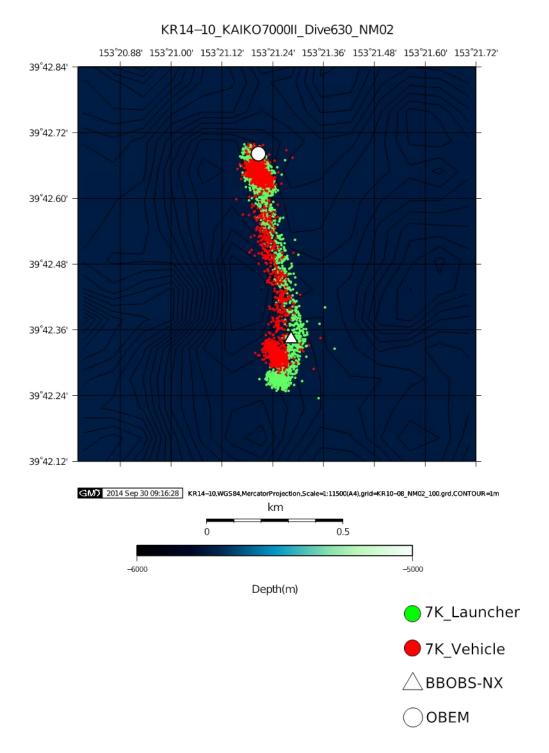


Fig. 8 Track of vehicle (red) and launcher (green) at NM02 to recover BBOBS-NX (triangle) and OBEM (circle).

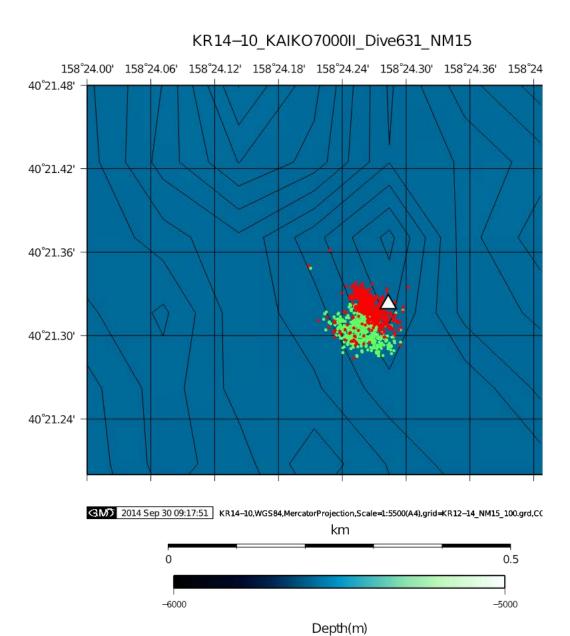


Fig. 9 Track of vehicle (red) and launcher (green) of Kaiko 7000II at NM15 to recover BBOBS-NX (triangle).

* Dive #632 was cancelled due to a trouble in the manupilator

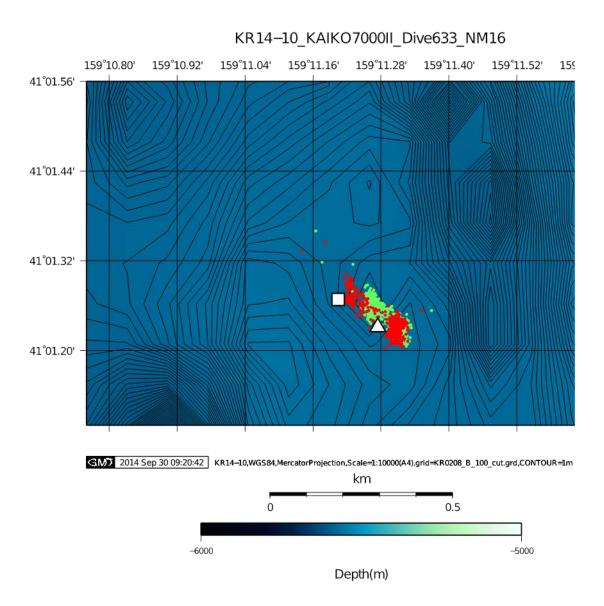


Fig. 10 Track of the vehicle (red) and launcher (green) at NM16 to recover BBOBS-NX (triangle) and EFOS recorder (square).

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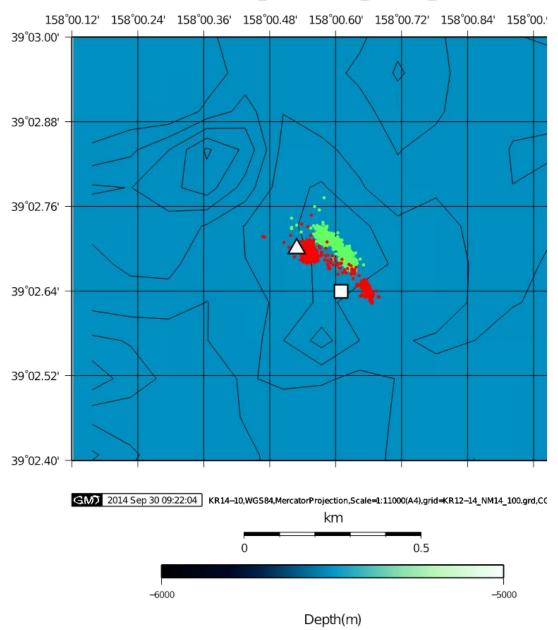


Fig. 11 Track of the vehicle (red) and launcher (green) at NM14 to recover BBOBS-NX (triangle) and EFOS recorder (square).

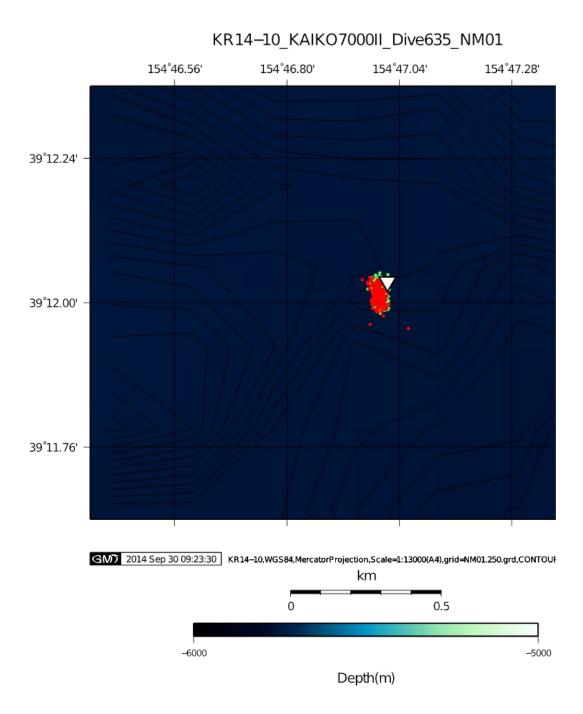


Fig. 12 Track of the vehicle (red) and launcher (green) at NM01 to recover BBOBS (reverse triangle).

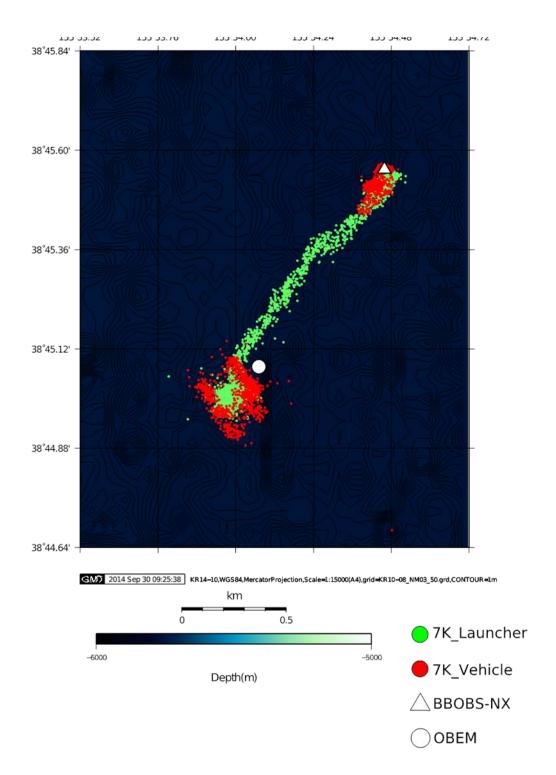


Fig. 13 Track of the vehicle (red) and launcher (green) at NM03 to recover BBOBS-NX (triangle) and OBEM (circle). OBEM was not found.

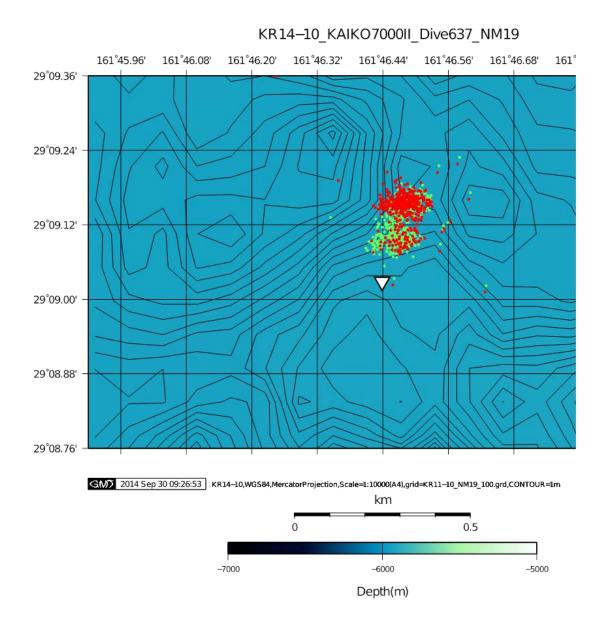


Fig. 14 Track of the vehicle (red) and launcher (green) at NM19 to recover BBOBS (reverse triangle).

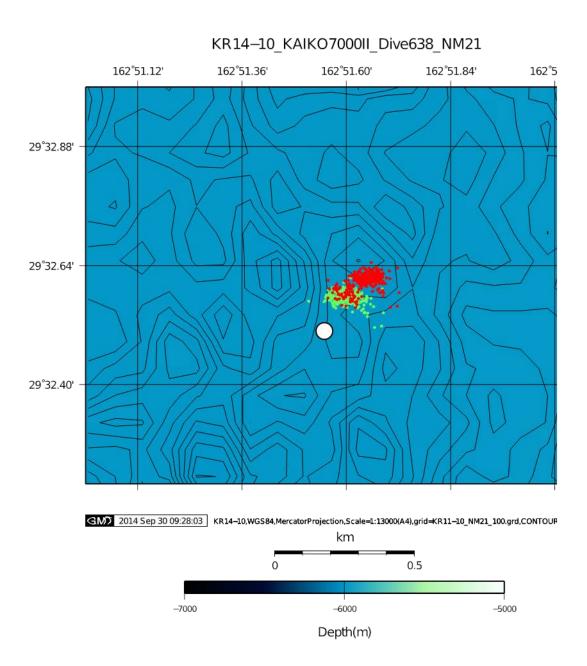


Fig. 14 Track of the vehicle (red) and launcher (green) at NM21 to recover OBEM (circle). OBEM was not found. Only its concrete anchor was found and retrieved.

3.7 Summary of Recovery and bathymetric survey

In the following, results of recovery operations and bathymetric surveys in this cruise are summarized in the order of completion.

- Sep. 10 (Area C) Recovery of VTM.
- Sep. 12 (Area A, site NM02) Call OBEM (with answer) and BBOBS-NX (without answer).
- Sep. 12 (Area A, site NM01) Recovery of OBEMs of one-sphere and two-sphere type. Bathymetric survey between sites NM01 and NM03 at night.
- Sep. 13 (Area A, site NM01) Recovery of BBOBS-NX and EFOS recorder by Kaiko-7000II dive operation (#629). Bathymetric survey between sites NM01 and NM02 at night.
- Sep. 15 (Area A, site NM02) Recovery of BBOBS-NX and OBEM-JM104 by Kaiko-7000II dive operation (#630).
- Sep. 16 (Area A, site NM15) Recovery of BBOBS-NX by Kaiko-7000II dive operation (#631).
- Sep. 17 (Area A, site NM16) Recovery of OBEM of two-sphere type. Recovery of BBOBS-NX and EFOS by Kaiko-7000II dive operation (#632).
- Sep. 18 (Area A, site NM14) Recovery of BBOBS-NX and EFOS by Kaiko-7000II dive operation (#634). Recovery of OBEM of two-sphere type. Bathymetric survey between sites NM14 and NM01.
- Sep. 19 (Area A, between sites NM14 and NM01) Bathymetric survey.
- Sep. 20 (Area A, west of site NM01) Bathymetric survey.
- Sep. 21 (Area A, site NM01) Recovery of BBOBS with a trouble in the acoustic release system by Kaiko-7000II dive operation (#635).
- Sep. 22 (Area A, site NM03) Search for OBEM by Kaiko-7000II, unsuccessful. Recovery of BBOBS-NX by Kaiko-7000II dive operation (#636).
- Sep. 24 (Area B, site NM20) Recovery of BBOBS and OBEM of two-sphere type.
- Sep. 25 (Area B, site NM19) Recovery of BBOBS by Kaiko-7000II dive operation (#637). Bathymetric survey at night.
- Sep. 26 (Area B, site NM21) Search for OBEM but recovery only the anchor frame by Kaiko-7000II dive operation (#638).
- Sep. 27 (Area B, site NM23) Recovery of BBOBS.
- Sep. 27 (Area B, site NM22) Recovery of BBOBS.
- Sep. 27 (Area B, site NM24) Recovery of BBOBS and OBEM.
- Sep. 28 (Area B, site NM25) Recovery of BBOBS.

3.8 Summary of deployment

Sep. 22 (Area A, site NM03) Installation of OBEM of two-sphere type

Installation point information is provided in attached figure.

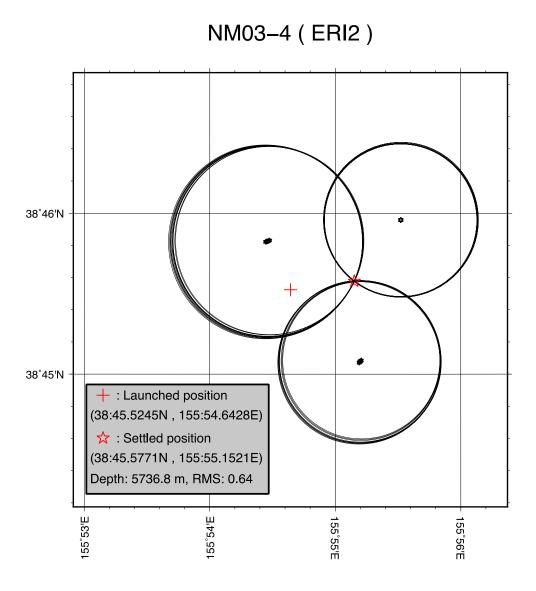


Fig. 15 Positioning results for launching and settling of OBEM at NM03.

3.9 Overview of the result

Due to unusually good sea condition for this season, we have completed planned operations at most of observation sites, except those at site NM03 where observations by EFOS and OBEM are continued till next recovery opportunity and OBEM with imploded glass spheres is left. As summarized in Table 1, we successfully retrieved 25 instruments from seafloor of the study areas and installed one instrument for further observation. We confirmed that most of retrieved instruments have recorded data, which will be analyzed to solve major scientific questions of the NOMan Project.

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	BBOBS-NX	EFOS	BBOBS	OBEM, VTM	Others
Recovery by	6	3	2	1*	1**
dive					
Recovery by			5	7	
self pop-up					
Installation				1	

Table 1 Number of instruments recovered/installed in the present cruise.

- * Titanium case imploded
- * * Only concrete anchor

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