FRUELA CRUISES DATA BASE

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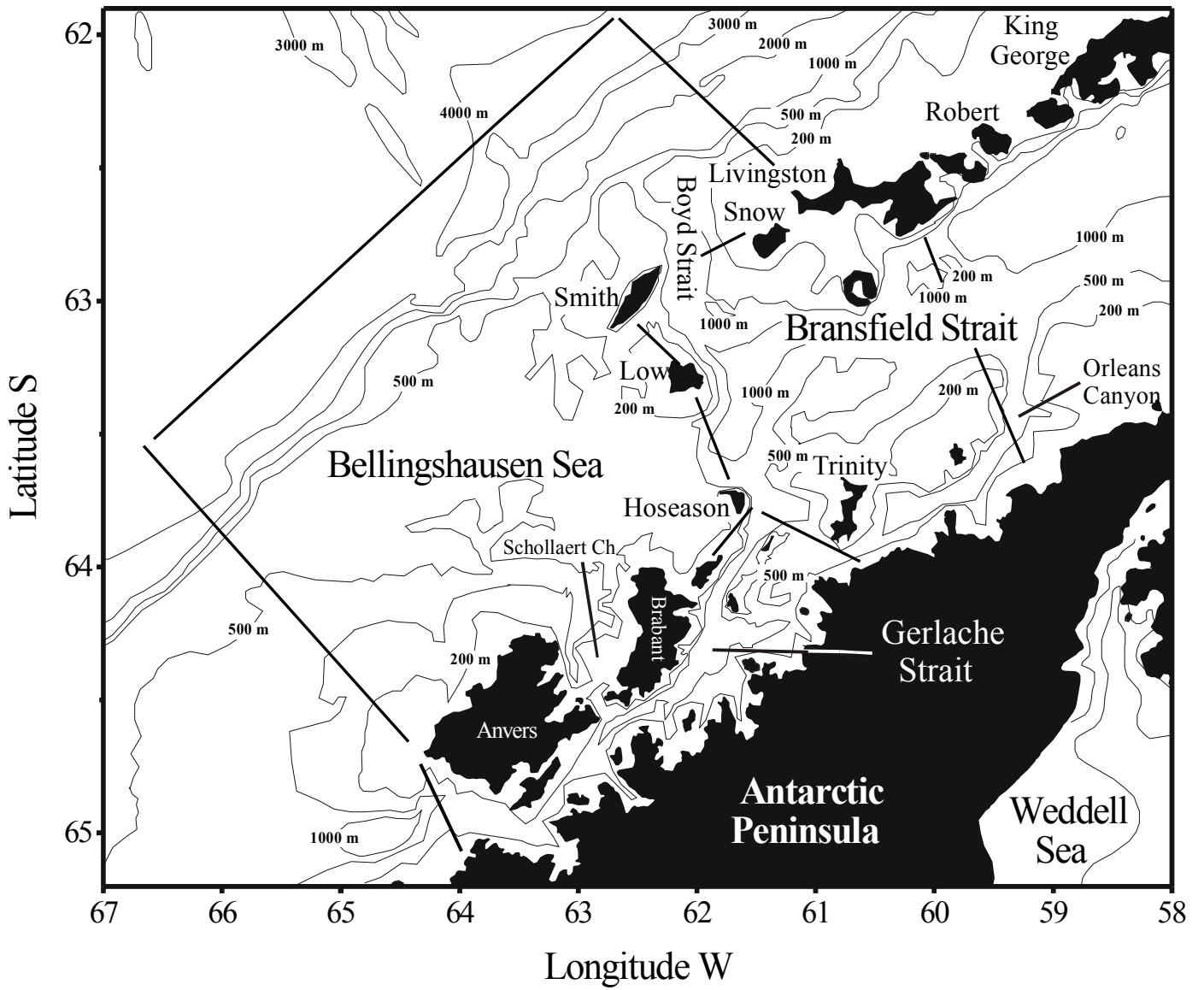*ranadon@correo.uniovi.es* , *marta@icm.csic.es*

Study Area
Tracks and stations
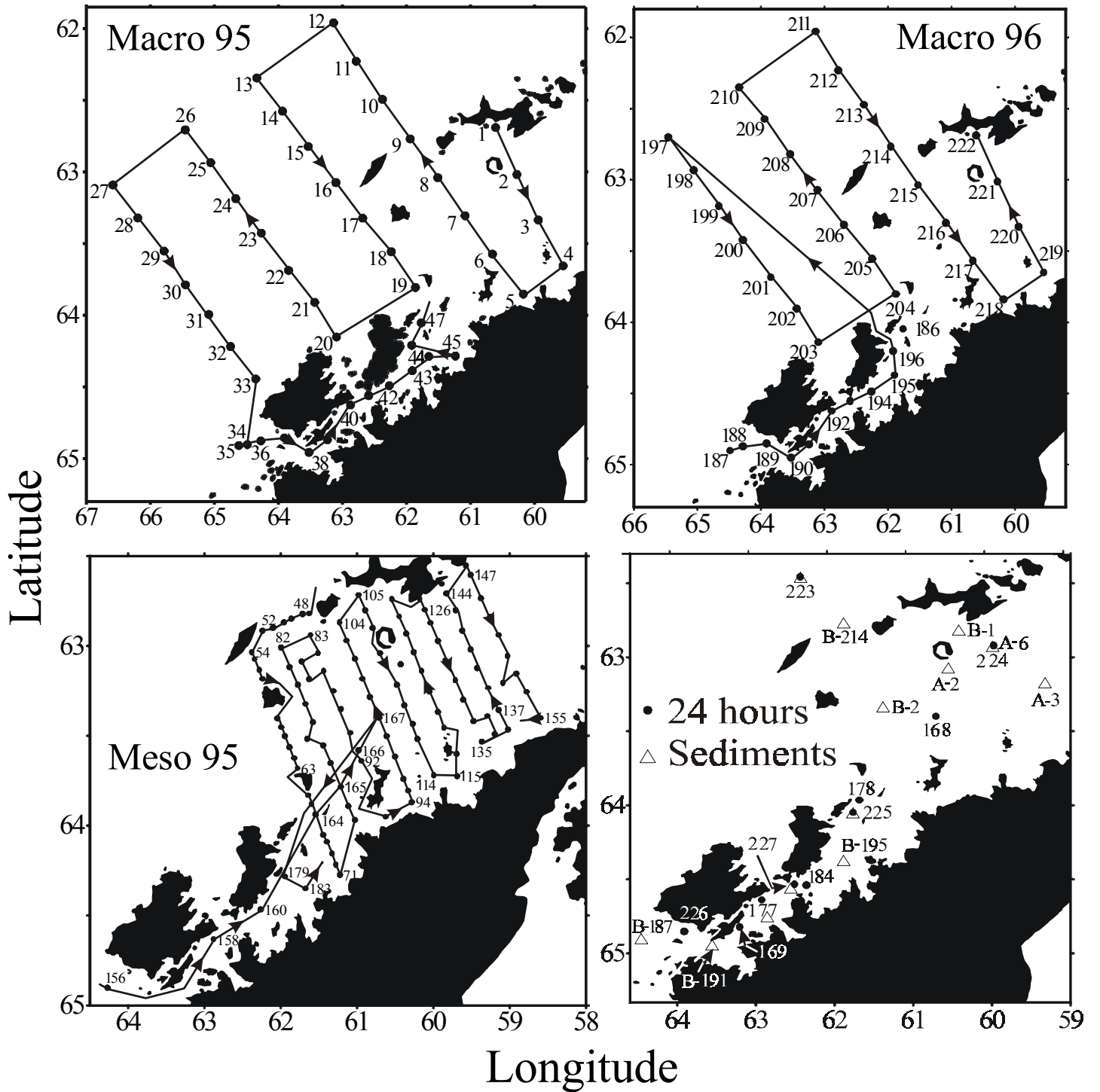*Individual projects*
Methods of the Data Base
FRUELA cruises Literature

1. MAP OF THE STUDIED AREA

2. MAPS WITH CRUISE TRACKS AND STATIONS

3. INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS WITHIN THE FRUELA CRUISES

Research Topic / Operation	Principal Investigator	Team on board	Cruise	Reference
Physics				
CTD – Macro and mesoescale distribution	Marc Antoni Garcia (UPC)	Marc Antoni Garcia	F96	(Garcia et al., 2001)
	Oswaldo López (UPC)	Oswaldo López	F95	
		Julia Figa (UPC)	F95	
		Manuel González (UPC)	F95	
		Joan Puigdefabregas (UPC)	F95	
		María Pilar Rojas (UPC)	F96	
CTD – Geostrophic circulation	Damià Gomis (UIB)	Damià Gomis	F95	(Gomis et al., 2001)
Chemistry				
Nutrient distribution and utilisation	Carmen González-Castro (IIM)	Carmen González-Castro	F95	(Castro et al., 2001)
		María José Pazo (IIM)	F96	
CO_2 system, pH and alkalinity	Aida Fernández-Rios (IIM)	Aida Fernández-Ríos	F96	(Álvarez et al., 2001)
	Gabriel Rosón (UV)	Gabriel Rosón	F95	
		Mª Victoria González (IIM)	F95	
		María Trinidad Rellán (IIM)	F96	
POC and DOC distribution	María Dolores Doval (IIM)	María Dolores Doval	F95	(Doval et al., 2001)
		Ramon Penín (IIM)	F95	
		Enrique Nogueira (IIM)	F95	
Phytoplankton				
Light and bio-optics	Félix López-Figueroa (UM)	Félix López-Figueroa (UM)	F95	(Figueroa, 2001)
		Belén Arbones (IIM)	F95	(Figueroa et al., 1997)
		María Luisa Villarinos (IIM)	F96	(Lorenzo et al., 2001)
				(Arbones et al., 2000)
Flow-citometry and size structure	Jaime Rodríguez (UM)	Jaime Rodríguez	F95	(Rodríguez et al., 2001b)
		Francisco Jiménez (UM)	F95	
		José María Blanco (UM)	F95	
Primary production and pigments (HPLC)	Emilio Fernández (UV)	Emilio Fernández (UV)	F95	(Varela, et al., 2001)
	Manuel Varela (IEO)	Manuel Varela (IEO)	F96	(Rodríguez et al., 2001a)
Gross primary production and microbial respiration (oxygen)	Pablo Serret (UO)	Pablo Serret (UO)	F95	(Serret et al., submitted)
		Emilio Marañón (UO)	F96	
		Natalia González (UO)	F96	
DOC release	Marta Estrada (ICM)	Marta Estrada	F95	(Morán and Estrada,)
Microbial ETS activity	Rosa Martínez (US)	Rosa Martínez	F95	(Morán et al., In press)
New and regenerated production (^{15}N)	Antonio Bode (IEO)	Antonio Bode (IEO)	F95	(Bode et al., 2001)
Heterotrophic microbes				
Protist abundance and bacterivory	Dolors Vaqué (ICM)	Dolors Vaqué	F95	(Pedrós-Alió et al., 2001)
		Núria Guixa-Boixereu (ICM)	F96	(Vaqué et al., 2001)
Prokaryotes abundance and production, Viruses and prokaryotic lysis	Carles Pedrós-Alió (ICM)	Carles Pedrós-Alió	F96	(Guixa-Boixereu et al., 2001)
		Josep M. Gasol (ICM)	F95	

Research Topic Operation	Principal Investigator	Team on board	Cruise	Reference
Meso y macrozooplankton				
Mesozooplankton composition, abundance and grazing	Florentina Álvarez-Marqués (UO)	Florentina Álvarez-Marqués	F95	
	José Luis Acuña (UO)	José Luis Acuña	F96	(Cabal et al., 2001)
		Jesús Alberto Cabal (UO)	F96	
		Mario Quevedo (UO)	F96	
		Jorge Álvarez-Sostres (UO)	F96	
		Ricardo Anadón	F95	
Copepod egg and faecal pellet production	Albert Calbet (ICM)	Albert Calbet	F96	(Calbet and Irigoien, 1997)
		Xavier Irigoien (ICM)	F96	
Mesozooplankton respiration, ETS activity	Santiago Hernández-León (ULP)	Santiago Hernández-León	F96	
		Irene Lidia Montero (ULP)	F96	
Bioacustics	Arturo Castellón (ICM)	Arturo Castellón	F96	
Macrozooplankton and fish larvae	Fracesc Pagés (ICM)	Fracesc Pagés	F96	
		Rafael González-Quirós (UO)	F96	
PC and PON export (drifting sediment trap)	Ricardo Anadón (UO)	Ricardo Anadón	F95-F96	(Anadón et al., 2001)
Sediment				
Sediment carbon burial, bioaccumulation and paleoclimatology	Jorge Guillén (ICM)	Jorge Guillén (ICM)	F96	(Masqué et al., 2001)
		Marcelli Farran (ICM)	F96	(Bárcena et al., 2001)
		Pere Masqué (UAB)	F96	
Moorings				
Current meters and sediment traps	Albert Palanques (ICM)	Albert Palanques		(Palanques et al., 2001)
Deposition of carbon and nitrogen		Pere Puig (ICM)		(Isla et al., submitted)
		Marc Garcia (UPC)		
Technicians				
CTD, LHPR, Bioness	Pedro Jornet (UGBOIP)	Pedro Jornet	F95-F96	
	Mario Manríquez (UGBOIP)	Mario Manríquez	F96	
		María Isabel Lloret (ICM)	F95	
		Fernando Uceta (UGBOIP)	F95	
Computing		Miguel Pancorbo (UGBOIP)	F96	
		Zacarías Garcia (UGBOIP)	F95	

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4. FRUELA 95 STATIONS AND DEPTHS

FRUELA 95											
CAST	STATION	DATE	HOUR GMT	LATITUDE			LONGITUDE			DEPTH CAST	DEPTH STATION
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			8:31	64	3	2	61	46	40		1156
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			15:12	64	2	51	61	47	18		
289	225.4		20:01	64	2	43	61	45	57	1072	1124
			21:06	64	2	23	61	46	29		1144
290	225.5	2-1	2:20	64	2	17	61	46	50	1092	1150
291	226	3-1	2:16	64	51	25	63	54	42	30	410
			2:34	64	51	17	63	55	27		408
292	226.1		3:16	64	51	25	63	55	46	360	379
293	226.2		8:51	64	51	13	63	54	51	384	402
				64	51	10	63	54	53		406
294	226.3		14:00	64	51	44	63	58	32	492	502
				64	51	34	63	59	6		461
295	226.4		20:00	64	52	39	63	58	58	167	194
			20:27	64	52	53	63	58	40		290
296	226.5		22:16	64	50	33	63	55	27	325	336
			22:48	64	50	16	63	54	34		
297	226.6	4-1	2:08	64	50	39	64	1	46	379	414
			2:39	64	50	44	64	1	41		380
298	227.1		20:03	64	32	26	62	30	26	740	770
			20:58	64	32	21	62	29	54		753
299	227.2	5-1	1:05	64	32	34	62	31	8	763	785
			2:08	64	32	29	62	31	23		739
300	227.3		8:02	64	32	5	62	28	47	670	689
			8:50	64	31	60	62	28	27		701
301	227.4		14:10	64	30	5	62	22	39	647	672
			14:59	64	30	2	62	22	11		681
302	227.5		19:50	64	20	26	62	18	55	567	599
				64	8	13	62	18	45		

6. CTD METHODS

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Surface-to-bottom CTD cast was performed with a GO MkIIIC WOCE probe provided

with extra dissolved oxygen, fluorescence and light transmission sensors. Water samples were

obtained routinely at 24 levels with a GO Rosette equipped with 10 l Niskin bottles. Some of

the Niskin bottles carried RTM SiS 4002 digital reversible thermometers. Salinity was

obtained from water samples by means of a Guildline Autosal 8600 B. The θ has been derived

from CTD profiles. Calibration of CTD after the FRUELA cruises is annexed as GIF file

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CTD MK3 SPAIN :   IM960510

St.Temp atb1250-X	Temp.Sens. Y	Temp.err. Y-X(deg.c.)	St. Temp. atb1250-X	T.fast Sens. Y	T.fast err. Y-X(deg.c.)	St.Cond. atb1250-X	Cond.Sens. Y	Cond.err. Y-X(mmho/c)	St.press. D.W.T.-X	Press.Sens. Y	Press.err. Y-X(dBars)
24.051	24.052	0.001	24.051	24.067	0.016	55.092	55.092	0.000	0	3.4	3.4
23.043	23.044	0.001	23.043	23.050	0.007	53.993	53.994	0.001	200	203.3	3.3
22.008	22.009	0.001	22.008	22.009	0.001	52.865	52.868	0.003	400	403.2	3.2
20.993	20.995	0.002	20.993	20.992	-0.001	51.767	51.773	0.006	600	603.4	3.4
19.018	19.018	0.000	19.018	19.014	-0.004	49.649	49.655	0.006	800	803.7	3.7
18.052	18.052	0.000	18.052	18.046	-0.006	48.624	48.626	0.002	1000	1003.3	3.3
16.999	16.999	0.000	16.999	16.994	-0.005	47.515	47.513	-0.002	1500	1503.5	3.5
16.002	16.003	0.001	16.002	15.999	-0.003	46.466	46.469	0.003	2000	2003.6	3.6
15.063	15.064	0.001	15.063	15.062	-0.001	45.487	45.489	0.002	2500	2503.5	3.5
14.024	14.023	-0.001	14.024	14.024	0.000	44.410	44.412	0.002	3000	3003.9	3.9
13.000	12.999	-0.001	13.000	13.000	0.000	43.360	43.361	0.001	4000	4003.1	3.1
12.047	12.047	0.000	12.047	12.048	0.001	42.387	42.389	0.002	5000	5005.1	5.1

Aver.err:	**0.0005**		**Aver.err:**	**0.0004**		**Aver.err:**	**0.0022**		**Aver.err:**	**3.45**	
St.dev.:	**0.0009**		**St.dev.:**	**0.0063**		**St.dev.:**	**0.0024**		**St.dev.:**	**0.23**	
a:	**b:**	**@:**	**a:**	**b:**	**@:**	**a:**	**b:**	**@:**	**a:**	**b:**	**@:**
-0.0010	1.0001	0.0000	-0.0095	1.0005	0.0000	-0.0002	1.0000	0.0001	3.41	1.00	41.46

Data could be corrected according to best fit least square method: $Y = a + bX$

Plots: St.temp.err vs St.Temp deg.c.; Fast T.deg.c. vs St.Temp.deg.c.; Cond.err mmho/cm vs St.Cond.mmho/cm; Press.err.dBars vs St.Press.dBars.
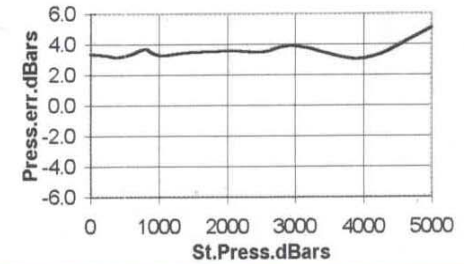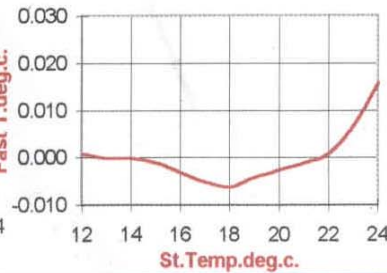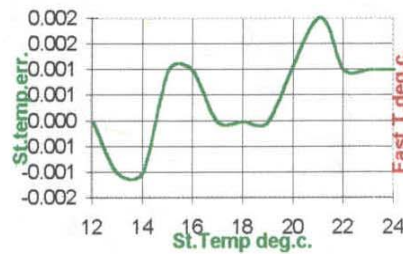
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Temp.	'-3/32 deg.c.	+-0.002deg.c.	+-0.0005deg.c.	200 msec.	CAL. Date: 25/06/96
FastT.	-2/32deg.c.	+-0.1deg.c.	+-0.0005deg.c.	30msec.	CAL.File: IM960510.C03
Cond.	0/65mmho/cm	+-0.002mmho/cm	+-0.0001mmho/cm	30msec.	Cruise Ref21/6 Drake
Press.	0/7000dBars	0.014%f.s.	0.0015%f.s.	-	TESTED BY:

7.   CHEMICAL METHODS

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A Metrohm E-654 pH-meter equipped with a Ross (Orion 81-04) combined glass electrode was used to determine **pH** on the NBS scale. The temperature was measured using a platinum resistance thermometer and finally pH was referred to a standard temperature of 15°C (pH_{15}) according to Pérez and Fraga (1987a). The method has a shipboard precision of ±0.002 pH_{15} (Ríos and Rosón, 1996) and an accuracy of ±0.004 pH_{15} using samples of Certified Reference Material (CRMs) provided by Dr. Dickson from the Scripps Institution of Oceanography (Ríos and Pérez, 1999; Ríos and Rellán, 1998).

Alkalinity was determined by automatic potentiometric titration with HCl at a final pH of 4.44 (Pérez and Fraga, 1987b). The electrodes were standardised using an NBS buffer of pH 7.413 and checked using an NBS buffer of 4.008. This method has a precision of 0.1% (Pérez and Fraga, 1987b), and an accuracy of ±1.4µmol.kg^{-1} (Ríos and Pérez, 1999; Ríos and Rellán, 1998).

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Nutrient samples were filtered through 0.45 µm Millipore filter prior to analysis and were analysed within 12 h after collection; and were stored in the refrigerator prior to analysis and in the dark. Nutrient concentrations were determined by segmented flow analysis with Technicon AAII systems, following Hansen and Grasshoff (1983) with some improvements (Mouriño and Fraga, 1985; Álvarez-Salgado *et al.*, 1992). The analytical error was ±0.05 µmol·kg^{-1} for nitrate, ±0.05 µmol·kg^{-1} for silicic acid and ±0.01 µmol·kg^{-1} for phosphate. **Dissolved oxygen** was determined by Winkler potentiometric titration. The estimated analytical error was ±1 µmol·kg^{-1}. Oxygen saturation was calculated following Benson and Krause equation (UNESCO, 1986). **Chlorophyll *a*** was measured using 90% acetone extraction in a 10,000 R Turner fluorometer (Yentsch and Menzel, 1963). The precision was ± 0.05 mg·m^{-3}. **Particulate organic matter** (filtration volume 1 l) was collected on Whatman GF/F filters and analyses were performed in a PE 2400 elemental analyser, with a precision of ±0.04 µmol·kg^{-1} for nitrogen and ±0.1 µmol·kg^{-1} for carbon.

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Seawater samples for **DOC** analysis were collected with 100 ml polyethylene syringes with teflon plunger tips and filtered by hand through Whatman Puradisc GF/F disposable filter devices (0.7μm pore size) on polypropylene housing. The filtrate was drawn eventually into 50 ml polyethylene containers. The filtering system and the containers used for DOC had been previously soaked on 0.1 N HCl, and rinsed with Milli-Q water. In addition, the containers were rinsed three times with 50 ml of sample. Samples were immediately stored at -70ºC until analysis in the base laboratory, eight months later. This storage technique has demonstrated no artefactual results on the micromolar scale (Hansell and Carlson, 1998b).

DOC determination was performed by high temperature catalytic oxidation (HTCO) with a commercial Shimadzu TOC-5000. The combustion quartz tube was filled with a 0.5% Pt on Al_2O_3 catalyst. Three to 5 replicate injections of 200 μl were performed per sample. The concentration of DOC was determined by subtracting the average peak area from the instrument blank area and dividing by the slope of the standard curve. The instrument blank is the system blank plus the filtration blank. The system blank was determined by subtracting the DOC in UV-Milli-Q to the total blank. Measurements made with the high sensitivity catalyst (Pt on silica wool) produced values <2 μmol C l^{-1} for fresh UV-Milli-Q water. The filtration blank (determined by filtering UV-Milli-Q water through the filtration system) was <2 μmol C l^{-1}. Before sample analyses, the catalyst was washed by injecting UV-Milli-Q, for at least 12 h, until the system blank was low and stable. The system blank was <8 μmol C l^{-1}. The device was standardized with Potassium Hydrogen Phthalate (KHP). The coefficient of variation (C.V.) of the peak area for the 3-5 replicate analyses of each sample was ~1%. The accuracy of our HTCO system has been tested within the international intercalibration exercise conducted by J. Sharp (Univ. of Delaware), with very satisfactory results (within ±10%; J. Sharp, pers. com.).

8. CHLOROPHYLL a, PRIMARY PRODUCTION AND COMMUNITY METABOLIMS METHODS

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Samples were obtained with PVC Niskin bottles in a CTD rossete system (no trace metal clean) at depths of 100, 50, 25, 10 and 1% of surface PAR. Particulate material was concentrated by filtration of 100-250 ml of seawater and pigments were extracted in 90% acetone (Parsons *et al*., 1984) for 24 h in dark at 4° C. Chlorophyll a concentration was measured fluorimetrically on board, using a Turner Designs fluorometer. No sonication or destruction of filters was carried out. Samples for chlorophyll and primary production (after incubation) measurements were size fractionated by sequential filtration through Nucleopore 10 μm, Nucleopore 2 μm and Whatman GF/F filters, under vacuum pressures lower than 250 mm Hg.

The method followed for the C^{14} uptake experiments was based on that described in the JGOFS protocols. Water samples from each sampled depth were poured into three clear 300 ml polycarbonate bottles. In addition, a dark bottle was used for the 100%, 25% and 1% levels. Each bottle was inoculated with 740 kBq (20 μCi) of C^{14} labelled sodium bicarbonate and incubated for 24 h in a deck incubator refrigerated with surface water. The different light regimes of the sampling depths were simulated using neutral density filters. For some stations, two sets of data were obtained, one from on deck incubations and the other from *in situ* incubations. Correlation between the two data sets was very good (n=25; r^2= 0.98; p<0.0001). Following incubation, samples were sequentially filtered (see previous section) and the filters were placed into scintillation vials and exposed to concentrated HCl fumes for 12 h. The incorporated radiocarbon was determined using a Beckman Liquid Scintillation Counter.

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Rates of O_2 production and consumption by the planktonic community were determined by *in vitro* changes of seawater O_2 concentration in transparent ("light") and dark

bottles incubated *in situ* during 24 hours. Sampling and incubation were carried out at the same depths of ^{14}C experiments. Twelve 250 ml, gravimetrically calibrated, borosilicate bottles were carefully filled from every Niskin bottle by means of a silicone tube, overflowing more than 500 ml. Filled bottles were immediately closed and kept, in darkness, into a deck incubator refrigerated with surface water. An initial set of four dark bottles was fixed at once, the remaining (four dark, covered with aluminium foil, and four transparent or "light" bottles) were attached to a buoy at the depths of origin of the sampled water. Dissolved oxygen concentration was determined following the method described above. Data were available only for 4 stations of the FRUELA 95 cruise, two in tje Gerlache Strait and two in the Bransfield Strait. Fixing and storage procedures, reagents and standardisation followed the recommendations by Grasshoff *et al.* (1983). Dissolved oxygen concentration was measured through automated precision Winkler titration performed with a Metrohm 716 DMS Titrino, using a potentiometric end point. Aliquots of fixed samples were delivered by a 50 ml overflow pipette.

9. PHOTOSYNTHESIS, PRIMARY PRODUCTION AND PHYTOPLANKTON GROWTH RATES METHODS

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Phytoplankton light absorption coefficients (PhytopAbsortCoeff.xls)

Phytoplankton light absorption coefficients [$a_{ph}(\lambda)$, m^{-1}] were determined by filtering seawater volumes of 1 to 4 litres through 25 mm Whatman GF/F filters. The optical density spectra of concentrated material were measured on a Kontron UVIKON 860 dual-beam spectrophotometer at 1 nm bandwidth from 400 to 750 nm using a wet GF/F filter as a blank. Phytoplankton pigments were extracted in methanol (Kishino et al. 1985) and the optical density of non-algal material retained on the filters was determined in the same way. Absorbance at 750 nm was subtracted from all other wavelengths in the spectra. The correction for pathlength amplification on filters was done following the methodology of Arbones et al. (1996).

Photosynthesis-irradiance relationships (FotoParam.xls)

Fourteen subsamples collected in 75 ml Corning tissue culture flasks were inoculated with 3.70 x 10^5 Bq (10 µCi) of ^{14}C-labelled bicarbonate and placed in linear incubators illuminated by tungsten-halogen lamps (50 W, 12 V) of a known light spectra. The flask at the end of the incubator was covered with aluminium foil and used to check dark carbon fixation. A digital temperature refrigeration unit was used to maintain the samples at ambient temperature. The PAR (E_{PAR}) at the position of each bottle in the incubators was measured with a Li-Cor cosine sensor LI-190SA. After 2 h of incubation, samples were filtered through 25 mm Whatman GF/F filters. The filters were exposed to concentrated HCl fumes for 12 h to eliminate unincorporated ^{14}C. The external standard and the channel ratio methods were used to calculate disintegrations per minute (dpm).

Because photoinhibition was not observed, the broadband photosynthetic parameters, P_m^B [mg C (mg Chl)$^{-1}$ h^{-1}] and α^B [mg C (mg Chl)$^{-1}$ h^{-1} (µmol m^{-2} s^{-1})$^{-1}$] were estimated by fitting the data to the model of Webb et al. (1974):

$$P_z^B = P_m^B \left[1 - \exp(-\alpha^B \cdot E_{PAR} / P_m^B) \right] \qquad (1)$$

where P_z^B [mg C (mg Chl)$^{-1}$ h^{-1}] is the Chl-specific rate of photosynthesis at each sampled depth.

The spectral quality of the incident light did not change along the incubators (Figueiras et al., 1999) and therefore the spectral irradiance $E_q(\lambda)$ at each location in the incubators was deduced by multiplying the normalised spectra of the tungsten-halogen lamp $E_N(\lambda)$ by the corresponding E_{PAR} at each location:

$$E_q(\lambda) = E_N(\lambda) \cdot E_{PAR} \qquad (2)$$

where

$$E_N(\lambda) = E(\lambda) / \int_\lambda E(\lambda) d(\lambda) \qquad (3)$$

The light absorbed by phytoplankton (E_{PUR}, μmol photons m^{-3} s^{-1}) at each position in the incubators was calculated following Dubinsky (1980):

$$E_{PUR} = \int_{400}^{700} a_{ph}(\lambda) \cdot E_q(\lambda) d(\lambda) \qquad (4)$$

The maximum quantum yield of carbon fixation [ϕ_m mol C fixed (mol photons absorbed)$^{-1}$] was estimated by fitting the photosynthetic rates P (mg C m^{-3} h^{-1}) to the photosynthetic radiation absorbed by phytoplankton E_{PUR} (μmol photons m^{-3} s^{-1}):

$$P_z = P_m \left[1 - \exp(-\phi_m' \cdot E_{PUR} / P_m) \right] \qquad (5)$$

where $\phi_m = 0.0231 \cdot \phi_m'$. The factor 0.0231 converts milligrams of carbon to moles, μmol of photons to moles and hours to seconds.

From equation (1) the spectral light saturation parameter for light absorbed by phytoplankton [$E_{kPUR} = P_m / \phi_m'$, (μmol photons m^{-3} s^{-1})], is analogous to the saturation parameter for PAR radiation [$E_{kPAR} = P_m^B / \alpha^B$, (μmol photons m^{-2} s^{-1})] derived from broad band photosynthesis – irradiance relationships.

Primary production (PrimaryProd.xls)

Primary production (PP) was integrated to the depth of 1% of surface irradiance ($Z_{1\%}$):

$$PP = D \int_0^{Z_{1\%}} Chl(z) \cdot P_m^B(z) \cdot \left[1 - \exp(-E_{PUR}(z) / E_{kPUR}(z)) \right] dz \qquad (6)$$

where D is the daylength.

Gross phytoplankton growth rates (GrowthRates.xls)

Gross phytoplankton growth rates ($\mu + r$, day^{-1}) were calculated as:

$$\mu + r = \ln\left[1 + \frac{dC/dt}{C}\right] \qquad (7)$$

where dC/dt is the daily integrated primary production (mg C m^{-3} d^{-1}) at each depth:

$$dC/dt = D \cdot Chl \cdot P_m^B\left[1 - \exp(E_{zPUR}/E_{kPUR}\right] \qquad (8)$$

and C (mg C m^{-3}) is the phytoplankton carbon estimated from the slope of the linear regression (model II) between particulate organic carbon POC and Chl.

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10. PHYTOPLANKTONIC DOC AND POC PRODUCTION METHODS

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Time-course incorporation of carbon into the dissolved and particulate fractions was measured by the ^{14}C-technique (Steeman-Nielsen, 1952). Water for incubations was collected from surface (5 m depth), and at some stations also from 10-15 m depth, in 12 l Niskin bottles attached to a rosette sampler. Aliquots (70 ml) were introduced in sterile polystyrene tissue culture bottles (Corning). The bottles were inoculated with 0.3 to 0.7 MBq (8.4 to 19 µCi) of ^{14}C-bicarbonate and incubated under constant light conditions. Surface samples were incubated under 90-100 µmol photons m^{-2} s^{-1} except for samples from stations 8, 17 and 29, which were incubated under 50 µmol photons m^{-2} s^{-1}. In both cases saturation was achieved. Samples from 10-15 m depth were incubated under 9 µmol photons m^{-2} s^{-1} to match the decreased irradiance at these depths (on average 7% ± 4% of surface values, Figueroa et al., 2002). Incubations were made in controlled-temperature baths fixed at *in situ* temperature (± 0.5°C). Part of the bottles (dark bottles) were covered with aluminium foil.

We used Whatman GF/F filters for separating the particulate and dissolved fractions of primary production. Four dark bottles (time-zero bottles) were processed immediately at the beginning of the experiment, in the same way as the dark bottles of the subsequent sampling times. In these samplings, aliquots of 5 ml were taken from two light and two dark bottles for determination of total labelled organic carbon (TOC) and the remaining 65 ml were filtered on GF/F filters for determination of total labelled POC. Aliquots of 5 ml from the remaining two light and two dark bottles were also filtered on GF/F filters and the filtrate collected for determination of labelled DOC. The remaining 65 ml were filtered on Nuclepore polycarbonate 0.8 µm or 2 µm filters (data not shown). Filtration through GF/F filters for DOC sampling was made by gravity. In the other cases, filtration pressure did not exceed 100 mm Hg. Filters were treated with concentrated HCl fumes for ca. 12 h before addition of 4.5 ml of ReadySafe liquid scintillation cocktail. Liquid samples (with labelled TOC or DOC) were acidified with 1 ml HCl 6M

and left open in an orbital shaker for 12 h before adition of 15 ml of scintillation cocktail. Radioactivity was measured in a Beckman LS6000LL liquid scintillation counter. The time-zero values were subtracted from all subsequent samples for correction of abiotic incorporation. Dark bottle values after time-zero blank substraction were on average 4% ± 1% (SE) of the light bottle values for POC measurements, 24% ± 4% of those for DOC and 16% ± 3% of those for TOC, and did not increase appreciably during the experiments. These dark bottle values were not subtracted, following the recommendation of Watanabe (1980). In each experiment, the radioactivity of the ^{14}C-bicarbonate solution added to the incubation bottles was determined in 20 µl aliquots.

Carbon exchange model and compartmental analysis

A simple 3-compartment carbon exchange model for obtaining steady-state rates of production of POC and DOC was used. The equations defining the rates of change of carbon in the compartments are:

$$dC_1/dt = -k(2,1) \, C_1 + k(1,2) \, C_2 - k(3,1) \, C_3 \qquad (1)$$

$$dC_2/dt = k(2,1) \, C_1 - k(1,2) \, C_2 + k(2,3) \, C_3 \qquad (2)$$

$$dC_3/dt = k(3,1) \, C_1 - k(2,3) \, C_3 \qquad (3)$$

where C_i is the carbon concentration in pool i and $k(i,j)$ is the fractional rate constant of flux from C_j to C_i. $k(2,1)$ is the constant of particulate carbon production and would reflect only photosynthetically produced carbon. $k(1,2)$ is considered the constant of respiration of synthesized POC, inferred from its influence on PO[14]C kinetics. $k(3,1)$ is the constant of dissolved carbon production. No distinction is possible between active excretion by phytoplankton and other sources of labelled DOC release, such as cell lysis. $k(2,3)$ is the constant of heterotrophic assimilation of recently released DOC. The inverse of the rate constant $k(2,3)$ is the turnover time of the photosynthetically produced DOC pool (Lancelot, 1979).

The performance of alternative 3-compartment carbon exchange models was first evaluated by the residual sum of squares (RSS) after fitting to data, as a measure of the remaining unexplained variance. The model which minimized the average RSS for all experiments was chosen. Least-squares non-linear fitting of the model to actual measurements of DO[14]C and PO[14]C was made with a computer program especially designed for such compartmental analysis (SAAM II, SAAM Institute, Washington). Data were weighted by the inverse of the standard deviation of duplicates. These analyses yielded estimates of the rate constants of flux between compartments ($k(i,j)$, in

units h^{-1}) and of their variance and total remaining unexplained variance. Once the model was fitted to a set of data, it was possible to derive the DOC and POC production rates (mg C m^{-3} h^{-1}) from the estimates of the rate constants and the concentration of dissolved inorganic carbon (DIC) at each sampling site. No isotopic discrimination factor was considered for the conversion of dpm to carbon units. Percent extracellular release (PER) was calculated as the ratio of DOC production rate to the sum of POC and DOC production rates.

11. PROKARIOTIC PRODUCTION AND ABUNDANCE METHODS

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Samples for determination of prokaryotic abundance (10 to 20 mL) were filtered through 0.2 µm pore diameter black polycarbonate filters and stained with DAPI (1 µg mL^{-1} final concentration) for 5 min before sucking the filters dry (Porter and Feig 1980). Filters were then mounted on microscope slides with non-fluorescent oil (R.P. Cargille Lab., Inc.) and stored frozen until counted. Filters were counted by epifluorescence microscopy with a Nikon Diaphot microscope. About 200-400 prokaryotic cells were counted per sample.

Prokaryotic heterotrophic production was determined by ^{3}H-leucine incorporation (Kirchman et al. 1985) as modified for micro-centrifugation by Smith & Azam (1992). Aliquots of 1.2 mL were dispensed into 2 mL microcentrifuge tubes with a step pipette. Control tubes received 133 µL of 50% TCA and were vortexed. Next, 48 µL of a 1µM solution of ^{3}H-leucine was added to the tubes providing a final concentration of 40 nM (which was found to be saturating in these waters). At least four replicates and two killed controls were incubated per sample. After vortexing, tubes were placed in whirl-pack plastic bags and these were incubated in the dark in a water bath, at temperatures close to *in situ*, for 2 to 4 hours. Incubations were stopped with 133 µL of 50% TCA and vortexing. Next, tubes were spun in a microcentrifuge for 10 min at 16000 *g*. Liquid was aspirated with a Pasteur pipette connected to a vacuum pump, taking care not to leave any droplets, especially around the cap. Pellets were rinsed with 1.5 mL of 5% TCA, vortexed and spun again. Supernatant was sucked again and 0.5 mL of scintillation cocktail were added. The tubes were counted within standard 20 mL scintillation vials in a Beckman scintillation counter on board. Counts were repeated after 48 hours of adding cocktail. These second sets of counts were less variable and had lower blanks than the initial counts. Dpm were calculated by the instrument using the H number.

Prokaryotic heterotrophic production (PHP) was calculated from leucine incorporation (Leu) according to the equation

$$PHP = Leu*CF$$

Where CF is a conversion factor expressed in KgC mol^{-1}. These conversion factors were empirically derived for different samples (see below). From these estimates of production and those of prokaryotic biomass, specific growth rates (μ) were calculated as

$$\mu = [Ln (1 + PHP/PB)] / t$$

Where PB is prokaryotic plankton biomass and t is the time over which the PHP is considered.

12. MESOZOOPLANKTON ABUNDANCE, BIOMASS, GUT CONTENT AND GRAZING METHODS

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Zooplankton samples were collected by 200-0 m vertical tows of a modified triple-ring WP2 net with 0.125 m^2 mouth area and 200 µm mesh size. Cod end contents were immediately fractionated into three size fractions, 200-500 (small), 500-1000 (medium), and >1000 µm (large), using sieve cups equipped with Nitex screens

Samples for taxonomic analysis were preserved in 2-4% sodium borate-buffered formalin, and later examined under a stereomicroscope to assess the species composition and abundance. We did not include Actinopoda and Foraminifera in our taxonomic analysis, in spite of their high densities in some stations, because our sampling method was not adequate for these groups. Similarly, the abundance data of large size zooplankton (Euphausiids and Salps) must be considered with caution because of potential net avoidance or extremely aggregated distributions. Samples for biomass analysis were rinsed with 0.2 µm filtered seawater, filtered onto pre-combusted (450 °C, 24 h), pre-weighed Whatman GF/A filters and dried at 60 °C during 24 h; their dry weight was measured with a Sartorius microbalance. After grinding each sample in a mortar, the CNH content of a subsample was measured with a Perkin Elmer CNH 2400-II analyzer.

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For the analysis of gut pigment contents, zooplankton from the different size fractions was rinsed by immersion in filtered (0.2 µm) seawater, filtered onto 45 mm diameter sharkskin filters (Head, 1986), and stored at -60 ºC in the dark. The whole procedure was completed in less than 5 min. Animals for gut evacuation experiments were collected using a WP2 net equipped with closed, soft plastic cod ends. Cod end contents were size fractionated as above and introduced in a cooler filled with filtered

seawater from the same station. Subsamples were filtered and stored (as above) during 45 min for copepods and 3 h for euphausiids. Sampling interval was 5 min during the first 30 minutes for both groups, with additional sampling at 45 min for copepods and at 45, 60, 90, 120 and 180 min for euphausiids.

Animals were picked from the frozen filters, within 1 year of collection, under a dim light stereomicroscope. The number of copepods picked varied between 1 and 50, and was typically greater than 10. When the number was large enough, duplicate samples were taken. Euphausiids were analysed independently, except for a few small animals which were pooled in groups. No attention was paid to species or development stage, but carnivorous species were avoided. Animals were placed in 25 ml glass vials with 5 ml of 90 % acetone and pigments were extracted overnight, in the dark, at 4 ºC. Fluorescence was measured in a Turner Designs II fluorometer before and after acidification (Mackas and Bohrer, 1976). Pigment concentration was estimated as chlorophyll *a* equivalents (Chl *a)*. No correction for background fluorescence or pigment destruction was applied.

We used the gut pigment technique (Mackas and Bohrer, 1976) to measure grazing rates of herbivorous crustacean zooplankton. Individual ingestion rate was calculated as

$$I = GPC \times k$$

where I is ingestion rate (ng Chl *a* ind^{-1} day^{-1}) , GPC is individual gut pigment content (ng Chl *a* ind^{-1}) and k (d^{-1}) is the gut evacuation rate, represented by the slope of the exponential decay in gut contents with time obtained in the gut evacuation experiments (Mackas and Bohrer, 1976). Population grazing rates of each zooplankton category were calculated as individual ingestion (calculated by equation above) times population densities. Chlorophyll a values were converted into C using a C:Chl factor of 60.

CRUISE: 1 stands for first cruise (3 December 1995 to 5 January 1996) 2 stands for second cruise (17 January 1996 to 5 February 1996)

GRP: 1, 2 and 3 stand for the 3 groups of stations defined according to the community structure

sta: each number represents one station

rep: In some stations, we sampled several times consecutively to examine diel variations. Each each number represents the position within a series of samples corresponding to a diel cycle station

con1000: individual gut contents in > 1000 μm zooplankton. Units: ng chla indv^{-1}

con500: individual gut contents in 500-1000 μm zooplankton. Units: ng chla indv^{-1}

coneuf: individual gut contents in euphausiids. Units: ng chla indv^{-1}

con200: individual gut contents in 200-500 μm zooplankton. Units: ng chla indv^{-1}

gpt1000: Gut passage time of >1000 μm zooplankton. Units: days

gpt500: Gut passage time of 500-1000 μm zooplankton. Units: days

num200: areal density of 200-500 μm zooplankton. Units: indv.m^{-2}

num1000: areal density of >1000 μm zooplankton. Units: indv.m^{-2}

num500: areal density of 500-1000 μm zooplankton. Units: indv.m^{-2}

numeuf: areal density of euphausiids. Units: indv.m^{-2}

pin200: Total ingestion rate of 200-500 μm zooplankton. Calculated as individual content times nareal density divided by gut passage time. Units: ng Chla m^{-2} day^{-1}

pin1000: Total ingestion rate of >1000 μm zooplankton. Calculated as individual content times nareal density divided by gut passage time. Units: ng Chla m^{-2} day^{-1}

pin500: Total ingestion rate of 500-1000 μm zooplankton. Calculated as individual content times nareal density divided by gut passage time. Units: ng Chla m^{-2} day^{-1}

pineuf: Total ingestion rate of euphausiids. Calculated as individual content times nareal density divided by gut passage time. Units: ng Chla m^{-2} day^{-1}

chla: areal chlorophyll concentration. Units: mg Chla m^{-2}

Prodint: Integrated primary production. Units: mgCm^{-2} day^{-1}

%CLH: daily chlorophyll percent removal by the zooplankton community (all fractions summed).

%PP: daily primary production percent removal by the zooplankton community (all fractions summed).

%clh200: daily chlorophyll percent removal by the 200-500 μm zooplankton size fraction.

%clh500: daily chlorophyll percent removal by the 500-1000 μm zooplankton size fraction.

%clh1000: daily chlorophyll percent removal by the >1000 μm zooplankton size fraction.

%clheuf: daily chlorophyll percent removal by euphausiids.

%pp200: daily primary production percent removal by the 200-500 μm zooplankton size fraction.

%pp500: daily primary production percent removal by the 500-1000 μm zooplankton size fraction.

%pp1000: daily primary production percent removal by the >1000 μm zooplankton size fraction.

%ppeuf: daily primary production percent removal by euphausiids.

13. DOWNWARD PARTICLE FLUXES METHODS

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Drifting sediment traps were deployed during diel cycles as part of the FRUELA 95 (spring) and FRUELA 96 (summer) cruises. The trap array consisted in four individual MULTITRAP baffled and unscreened collectors (60 mm diameter mouth and 640 mm long). The traps were placed at a depth of between 60 and 65 m, and filled with filtered (Whatman GF/F) seawater, supplemented with NaCl (5 g L^{-1}) to avoid losses of materials due to turbulence. The salt solution was sterilised after the NaCl addition and filtered through Whatman GF/F filters right before deployement. In the present data, swimmers were not removed. Nevertheless, visual observation of the bottom of the traps did not show the presence of meso- or macrozooplanktonic organisms. Preservatives to avoid degradation of sinking materials were not used. While, in a recent paper, Nodder and Alexander (1999) reported significant underestimates (> 60 %) of vertical carbon flux when traps were filled with concentrated brine (> 50 ‰), we used a less concentrate brine (39 ‰ aprox.) that was not expected to produce significant effects.

After gently shaking the sample to avoid particulate breakage (fecal pellets are particularly sensitive), the trapped material was split for different analyses. Half of the volume of each trap was filtered through Whatman GF/F filters and PC and PON measured using a Perkin-Elmer 2400 Elemental Analyser. Previously the filters were dried at 60 ºC during 24 hours.

Sub-samples of different volumes were used to determine the concentration of photosynthetic pigments, to identify and count phytoplankton and fecal pellets and to measure carbon incorporation rates by heterotrophic prokaryotes and phytoplankton cells accumulated in the traps.

Chlorophyll *a* was measured after extraction with 90 % acetone using a 10.000 R Turner Design fluorometer.

The C assimilation of the sedimented phytoplankton cells was measured by the ^{14}C method (see Varela et al., 2002), in short-term incubations (1 hour) at saturating light. This measurement was used as an estimate of the viability of the sedimented

primary producers. Absolute rates were normalised to total photosynthetic biomass in the traps by dividing them by the trap carbon concentration.

The microbial consumption of the sedimented carbon was measured as the rate of ^{3}H-leucine incorporation in sub-samples of each trap enclosed in Eppendorf vials. A subsample of the filtered salt solution used to fill the traps before deployment was used as a control for the determination of prokaryotic activity, which was always statistically not different from 0. Leucine incorporation was converted to biomass production using the theoreticaly calculated conversion factor of 3.1 kg C mol leucine^{-1} and a prokaryotic growth efficiency [BP/(BP+Resp)] of 33 %. The results were expressed as carbon processed per amount of carbon sedimented.

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A mooring line equipped with two sequential sediment traps was deployed south of Livingston Island and west of Deception Island at 1000 m depth. One sediment trap was placed 30 meters above bottom (mab), and the other trap was installed in mid-depth waters, 500 mab.

The sediment traps used in this study were Technicap model PPS3. The traps' sample-collecting hull is cylindrical and has an inner diameter of 40 cm. These traps incorporate a carousel with 12 sampling bottles, which is controlled by a programmable motor to preset variable sampling intervals for each of the 12 sampling tubes (Heussner et al., 1990). The sampling period comprised almost a complete year (345 days) from March 1st 1995 to February 15th 1996. In this experiment, the sample collecting interval was set to different time intervals: 60 days during late autumn-winter months (from April to September), 30 days in March and October and 15 days in spring and summer months (from November to February) in order to have a higher resolution during the spring and summer months.

Before the trap deployments, the sampling tubes were rinsed and filled with a 5% (~1.7 M) formalin solution prepared from Carlo Erba analytical grade 40% formaldehyde mixed with 0.2 μm filtered seawater to avoid the degradation of organic matter in the trapped particles. The solution was buffered (7.5<pH< 8) with Carlo Erba analytical grade sodium borate. After the trap recovery, the pH was checked and it indicated that the solutions remained buffered.

The total sample was divided into several aliquots to obtain different subsamples for analyzing total mass flux, major constituents: organic carbon, calcium carbonate and nitrogen. Zooplankton organisms, also called "swimmers", were removed by hand picking under a dissecting microscope.

Sample dry weight was determined using three subsamples filtered onto 47 mm diameter, 0.45 µm preweighed Millipore filters rinsed with distilled water and dried at 40º C for 24 hours. Total mass flux was calculated from the sample dry weight, the collecting trap area and the sampling interval.

For carbon and nitrogen analyses, four subsamples were filtered onto 47 mm diameter preweighed Whatman GF/F glass microfiber filters that had previously been combusted at 550ºC for 24 hours. Two subsamples were used to determine the total carbon (TC) and nitrogen percentages in a LECO CN 2000 analyzer. Another two subsamples were digested with HCl in a LECO CC 100 digestor and the resulting CO_2 was analyzed in the same CN analyzer and assigned to inorganic carbon (IC) content, which is used to calculate the calcium carbonate ($CaCO_3$) percentage.

14. SEDIMENT ACCUMULATION RATES METHODS

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Bottom sediments were collected using a multiple corer (Bowers and Connelly) designed to recover up to 8 replicates of 10 cm diameter. All studied samples presented a layer of clear sea water over the top of the sediment, thus indicating that very low, if any, disturbance of the samples were induced due to insertion of the tube. Three cores (A3, A6 and B2) were selected for ^{210}Pb analysis.

Sediment core lengths ranged from 34 to 40 cm. One core from each station was subsampled at 0.5 to 2-cm intervals from top to bottom and sections were stored and frozen in sealed plastic bags until analysis. The outer 2 mm ring was removed from each section to discard the sediment possibly smeared downward during core insertion. For each section, wet and dry masses were determined before and after drying samples at 40ºC, and dry bulk densities were calculated. About half of the sample was homogenised to carry out carbon, nitrogen and radionuclide analyses, which included ^{210}Pb and gamma-emitters.

Radiometric analysis

^{210}Pb analyses of the sediment samples were performed following the methodology described by Sanchez-Cabeza *et al.* (1998), by total digestion of 200-300 mg sample aliquots. ^{209}Po was added to each sample before digestion as internal tracer. After digestion, samples were made 1 N HCl and ^{209}Po and ^{210}Po were deposited onto silver disks at 60-70 ºC for 8 hours while stirring. Polonium isotopes were counted with α-spectrometers equipped with low background SSB detectors (EG&G Ortec). Due to the elapsed time span between sediment sampling and analyses, ^{210}Pb was assumed to be in radioactive equilibrium with ^{210}Po (half-life = 138 d) in the sediment samples.

Some dried and homogenised samples of each core were counted by gamma spectrometry in calibrated geometries for 2-3 10^5 seconds. This was done by using a high purity intrinsic Ge detector, surrounded by a 12 cm lead shield, lined with 1 cm copper and 2 mm cadmium, and linked to an 8K MCA. Spectra were analysed with a modified version of the SAMPO family of programs (Koskelo *et al.*, 1981). ^{226}Ra activities were determined through ^{214}Pb (351.92 keV) and ^{214}Bi (609.4 keV) lines of

gamma emissions, assuming secular equilibrium with ^{226}Ra. No ^{137}Cs was detected along the cores by gamma spectrometry, due to the combined effects of low concentrations and small amounts of sample available.

Filters containing SPM for ^{210}Pb and ^{210}Po analyses were digested using *aqua regia* after addition of ^{209}Po, while precipitates were centrifuged in order to reduce volumes. All samples were made 1 N with HCl and the same procedure described for sediment samples was followed. As analyses were carried out within 3 months after sample collection, equilibrium between ^{210}Po and ^{210}Pb was not yet reached. One year after the first analyses, samples were reanalysed for ^{210}Po, present by *in situ* disintegration of ^{210}Pb, thus permitting us to determine both ^{210}Pb and ^{210}Po activities at the sample collection date after appropriate decay corrections.

Chemical recoveries of all radiochemical separations ranged from 85 to 100%. For each batch of 10 samples, a reagent blank analysis was also carried out and subtracted for activity determination.

Sediment accumulation rates

We used a one-dimensional advection-diffusion model (Goldberg and Koide, 1962) to calculate the sedimentation rate (S, in mm y^{-1}) and the mixing coefficient (D_B, in cm^2 y^{-1}) that describes the intensity of particle reworking:

$$\frac{\partial A}{\partial t} = D_B \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial x^2} - S \frac{\partial A}{\partial x} - \lambda A \tag{1}$$

where A (Bq kg^{-1}) is the excess ^{210}Pb concentration at depth x (cm), and S and D_B are assumed to be constant. As D_B and S cannot be determined independently, a solution for D_B can be obtained if S is known or assumed to be negligible. Assuming steady state conditions and when mixing is not present, equation (1) can be solved under the boundary conditions of A = A$_0$ (x=0) and A $\rightarrow$ 0 (x $\rightarrow \infty$), by means of the equation

$$A = A_0 e^{-\frac{\lambda}{S} x} \tag{2}$$

This is usually done by least-squares fitting of the logarithm of excess ^{210}Pb versus depth for the strata below the SML. Then, the sedimentation rate were calculated by using equation (2) to determine D_B, also using least-square fitting for the SML:

$$A = A_0 e^{(S - \sqrt{S^2 + 4\lambda D_B})/2D_B) \cdot x} \tag{3}$$

In this study we consider the ^{210}Pb profiles as a two layer system with an upper mixed layer extending to a distance L below the water-sediment interface (SML) and a second layer below L where no mixing takes place

Carbon and nitrogen

Total carbon (TC%) and nitrogen (N%) were measured in duplicate using a Leco CN 2000 analyser. Two subsamples were used to determine the total carbon percentage (TC%). Two other subsamples were digested with HCl in a LECO CC 100 digester and the resultant CO_2 was analysed in the LECO CN 2000 analyser and assigned to inorganic carbon content (IC%), which was used to calculate the calcium carbonate concentration (CaCO$_3$%). The difference between the two values was assumed to represent the percentage of organic carbon content (OC%).

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