

A. Cruise Narrative

1. Highlights AR-18

- a/b. Nordic WOCE Denmark Strait  
MRI-BS-14-1995.
- c. Chief scientist : Svend-Aage Malmberg, MRI.
- d. RV Bjarni Saeemundsson TFEA
- e. Port of call : Reykjavik
- f. Cruise dates : 950905 - 950914.

2. Cruise summary information

- a. Denmark Strait area (figur)
- b. Number of stations 73 CTD/ROSETTE stations
- d. Moorings deployed and recovered

	type	identification	location	time	date
recovered	ULS		6640 N 29 40 W	08:10	950908
recovered	ULS+AA		6725 N 26 00 W	17:00	950912
deployed	AA		6755 N 24 39 W	10:42	950911
deployed	AA		6808 N 25 15 W	15:52	950911

3. List of principal investigators

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4. Scientific program and methods

a. Narrative.

R/V Bjarni Saemundsson left Reykjavik Sept 5 for the waters in the Denmark Strait to cover for hydrographic sections from coast to coast between Iceland and Greenland. At each hydrographic station a profile with a Seabird CTD was performed taking a water sample at a selected depth for salinity calibration. Hydro-Bios water bottles and new IAPSO salinity bottles were used. Sample analysis were carried in a shore laboratory after the cruise by a Guldline Autosol 8400A. Two year long moorings with ULS and AA current meters were recovered and two moorings with AA meters only were deployed. R/V Bjarni Saemundsson arrived to Reykjavik on Sept 14.

5. Major Problems.

No problems occurred the cruise was carried out as planned.

7. List of cruise participants.

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B. Underway measurements

5. Meteorological observations on stations and every 3 hours.

C. Hydrographic measurements.

- a. The CTD measurments were carried out by a Seabird 911plus, sensors calibrated by the producer prior to the cruise.
- b. Salinity measurements were after sampling using Hydro-Bios water samples and new and clean sampling bottles carried out in a shore laboratory by a Guildline 8400A, standardised with IAPSO standard sea water-bath P124. The obtained data were used to calibrate the CTD conductivity data according to Seabirds application note 31, using slope=1.000493 and offset=-0.000530.

D. Acknowledgements

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F. Deck logs, sampling rates etc.