

Phytoplankton growth, microzooplankton herbivory from R/V Thomas G. Thompson cruises TT007, TT011 in the Equatorial Pacific in 1992 during the U.S. JGOFS Equatorial Pacific (EqPac) project

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Project

» [U.S. JGOFS Equatorial Pacific](#) (EqPac)

Program

» [U.S. Joint Global Ocean Flux Study](#) (U.S. JGOFS)

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Dataset Description

Phytoplankton growth, microzooplankton herbivory

Methods & Sampling

See Platform deployments for cruise specific documentation

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Data Files

File	
micro_grazing_TT007.csv	(Comma Separated Values (.csv), 648 bytes) MD5:3820481a4fd86380afbca291e2014a39
version March 13, 2000 Michael Landry Phytoplankton growth, microzooplankton herbivory Thomas Thompson cruise TT007; EqPac Spring Survey	
micro_grazing_TT011.csv	(Comma Separated Values (.csv), 1.47 KB) MD5:2fb3c9f21777dd688e807e382d35c313
version March 11, 2000 Michael Landry Phytoplankton growth, microzooplankton herbivory Thomas Thompson cruise TT011; EqPac Fall Survey	

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Parameters

Parameter	Description	Units
event	event number from event log	
lat_n	approximate north latitude, negative=south (longitude is 140W)	
sta	station number from event log	
depth_n	nominal depth of sample collection	meters
chl_a	initial chl-a (fluorometry)	micrograms chl-a per liter
phyto_growth	phytoplankton specific growth rate	per day
microzoo_graze	microzooplankton grazing rate	per day

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Deployments

TT007

Website	https://www.bco-dmo.org/deployment/57728
Platform	R/V Thomas G. Thompson
Start Date	1992-01-30
End Date	1992-03-13
Description	<p>Purpose: Spring Survey Cruise; 12°N-12°S at 140°W TT007 was one of five cruises conducted in 1992 in support of the U.S. Equatorial Pacific (EqPac) Process Study. The five EqPac cruises aboard R/V Thomas G. Thompson included two repeat meridional sections (12°N - 12°S), 2 equatorial surveys, and a benthic survey (all at 140° W). The scientific objectives of this study were to observe the processes in the Equatorial Pacific controlling the fluxes of carbon and related elements between the atmosphere, euphotic zone, and deep ocean. As luck would have it, the survey window coincided with an El Nino event. A bonus for the research team.</p> <p>Methods & Sampling PI: Michael Landry of: University of Hawaii dataset: Phytoplankton growth, microzooplankton herbivory dates: February 17, 1992 to March 03, 1992 location: N: 2.0713 S: -3.0028 W: -140.2947 E: -139.9555 project/cruise: EQPAC/TT007 - Spring Survey ship: Thomas Thompson Methods: Rate estimates were made by seawater dilution per JGOFS protocols. Full methods described in: Landry, M.R., J. Constantinou and J. Kirshtein. 1995. Microzooplankton grazing in the central equatorial Pacific during February and August, 1992. Deep-Sea Res. II 42: 657-671.</p>

TT011

Website	https://www.bco-dmo.org/deployment/57730
Platform	R/V Thomas G. Thompson
Start Date	1992-08-05
End Date	1992-09-18
Description	<p>Purpose: Fall Survey; 12°N-12°S at 140°W TT011 was one of five cruises conducted in 1992 in support of the U.S. Equatorial Pacific (EqPac) Process Study. The five EqPac cruises aboard R/V Thomas G. Thompson included two repeat meridional sections (12°N - 12°S), 2 equatorial surveys, and a benthic survey (all at 140° W). The scientific objectives of this study were to observe the processes in the Equatorial Pacific controlling the fluxes of carbon and related elements between the atmosphere, euphotic zone, and deep ocean. As luck would have it, the survey window coincided with an El Nino event. A bonus for the research team.</p> <p>Methods & Sampling PI: Michael Landry of: University of Hawaii dataset: Phytoplankton growth, microzooplankton herbivory dates: August 09, 1992 to September 13, 1992 location: N: 12 S: -11.915 W: -140.41 E: -134.98 project/cruise: EqPac/TT011 - Fall Survey ship: Thomas Thompson Methods: Rate estimates were made by seawater dilution per JGOFS protocols. Full methods described in: Landry, M.R., J. Constantinou and J. Kirshtein. 1995. Microzooplankton grazing in the central equatorial Pacific during February and August, 1992. Deep-Sea Res. II 42: 657-671.</p>

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Project Information

U.S. JGOFS Equatorial Pacific (EqPac)

Website: <http://usjgofs.whoi.edu/research/eqpac.html>

Coverage: Equatorial Pacific

The U.S. EqPac process study consisted of repeat meridional sections (12°N -12°S) across the equator in the

central and eastern equatorial Pacific from 95°W to 170°W during 1992. The major scientific program was focused at 140° W consisting of two meridional surveys, two equatorial surveys, and a benthic survey aboard the R/V Thomas Thompson. Long-term deployments of current meter and sediment trap arrays augmented the survey cruises. NOAA conducted boreal spring and fall sections east and west of 140°W from the R/V Baldridge and R/V Discoverer. Meteorological and sea surface observations were obtained from NOAA's in place TOGA-TAO buoy network.

The scientific objectives of this study were to determine the fluxes of carbon and related elements, and the processes controlling these fluxes between the Equatorial Pacific euphotic zone and the atmosphere and deep ocean. A broad overview of the program at the 140°W site is given by Murray et al. (Oceanography, 5: 134-142, 1992). A full description of the Equatorial Pacific Process Study, including the international context and the scientific results, appears in a series of Deep-Sea Research Part II special volumes:

Topical Studies in Oceanography, A U.S. JGOFS Process Study in the Equatorial Pacific (1995), Deep-Sea Research Part II, Volume 42, No. 2/3.

Topical Studies in Oceanography, A U.S. JGOFS Process Study in the Equatorial Pacific. Part 2 (1996), Deep-Sea Research Part II, Volume 43, No. 4/6.

Topical Studies in Oceanography, A U.S. JGOFS Process Study in the Equatorial Pacific (1997), Deep-Sea Research Part II, Volume 44, No. 9/10.

Topical Studies in Oceanography, The Equatorial Pacific JGOFS Synthesis (2002), Deep-Sea Research Part II, Volume 49, Nos. 13/14.

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Program Information

U.S. Joint Global Ocean Flux Study (U.S. JGOFS)

Website: <http://usjgofs.whoi.edu/>

Coverage: Global

The United States Joint Global Ocean Flux Study was a national component of international JGOFS and an integral part of global climate change research.

The U.S. launched the Joint Global Ocean Flux Study (JGOFS) in the late 1980s to study the ocean carbon cycle. An ambitious goal was set to understand the controls on the concentrations and fluxes of carbon and associated nutrients in the ocean. A new field of ocean biogeochemistry emerged with an emphasis on quality measurements of carbon system parameters and interdisciplinary field studies of the biological, chemical and physical process which control the ocean carbon cycle. As we studied ocean biogeochemistry, we learned that our simple views of carbon uptake and transport were severely limited, and a new "wave" of ocean science was born. U.S. JGOFS has been supported primarily by the U.S. National Science Foundation in collaboration with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the Department of Energy and the Office of Naval Research. U.S. JGOFS, ended in 2005 with the conclusion of the Synthesis and Modeling Project (SMP).

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