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FRV *Scotia*

Cruise 1204S

PROGRAMME

25 August – 7 September 2004

***In setting the cruise programme and specific objectives, etc the Scientist-in-Charge needs to be aware of the restrictions on working hours and the need to build in adequate rest days and rest breaks as set out in FRS' Working Time Policy (which is published on the Intranet). In addition, the Scientist-in-Charge must formally review the risk assessments for the cruise with staff on-board before work is commenced.**

Personnel

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Project

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Gear

Deep water trawl (BT184)

Objectives

1. To map the composition, distribution and abundance of shelf edge and slope species, including anglerfish and megrim.
2. To record temperature at depth using mini-logger data storage sensors.
3. To investigate the occurrence of *Nephrops* on the upper shelf slope using the TV sledge and drop frame systems.

Area

West of the Outer Hebrides. From the edge of the continental shelf down to approximately 1,500 metres.

Procedure

The vessel will proceed to fishing grounds to the west of Scotland (see attached chart). Trawling will be carried out along discrete depth contours between the 200 and 1,500 isobaths, to investigate changes in abundance and species assemblage. During the hours of darkness the vessel will operate over shallower depths (200-900 metres) and deploy the TV sledge and drop frame systems to investigate the abundance of *Nephrops* on the upper slope.

J A Morrison
28 July 2004

Scotia Deep Water Survey 2004 Trawl Station Co-ordinates

| Station Number | Shooting Latitude | Shooting Longitude | Hauling Latitude | Hauling Longitude | Historic Haul No. |
|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 45 | 60 00.15N | 5 10.70W | 59 56.30N | 5 23.05W | S00/129 |
| 40 | 59 57.69N | 8 06.01W | 59 59.72N | 8 20.82W | S97/436 |
| 41 | 59 39.56N | 7 58.03W | 59 37.56N | 7 45.11W | S97/442 |
| 42 | 59 24.52N | 6 46.56W | 59 18.97N | 7 02.70W | S00/130 |
| 43 | 59 23.57N | 7 04.24W | 59 18.21N | 7 22.72W | S00/131 |
| 44 | 59 13.26N | 7 38.23W | 59 01.66N | 7 45.51W | S00/132 |
| 36 | 58 51.88N | 7 58.64W | 58 55.68N | 7 48.74W | S00/416 |
| 2 | 58 43.22N | 8 14.62W | 58 44.13N | 8 08.93W | S00/382 |
| 33 | 58 42.20N | 8 55.16W | 58 45.65N | 8 43.16W | S00/413 |
| 34 | 58 41.97N | 8 32.31W | 58 39.29N | 8 43.05W | S00/414 |
| 6 | 58 24.98N | 9 39.27W | 58 18.75N | 9 42.56W | S00/386 |
| 4 | 58 18.54N | 9 29.79W | 58 13.15N | 9 35.53W | S00/384 |
| 5 | 58 17.78N | 9 38.92W | 58 23.55N | 9 32.97W | S00/385 |
| 46 | 58 04.35N | 9 41.81W | 57 47.78N | 9 43.86W | S00/146 |
| 7 | 57 50.94N | 9 28.24W | 57 43.65N | 9 28.36W | S00/387 |
| 10 | 57 42.76N | 9 50.46W | 57 36.59N | 9 52.59W | S00/390 |
| 8 | 57 41.65N | 9 37.56W | 57 34.68N | 9 35.26W | S00/388 |
| 11 | 57 19.07N | 9 25.15W | 57 12.24N | 9 20.32W | S00/391 |
| 13 | 57 18.44N | 9 37.89W | 57 24.37N | 9 44.36W | S00/393 |
| 12 | 57 16.37N | 9 29.85W | 57 22.42N | 9 34.65W | S00/392 |
| 29 | 57 10.65N | 9 21.49W | 57 04.02N | 9 16.83W | S00/409 |
| 26 | 56 50.26N | 9 20.17W | 56 43.04N | 9 23.48W | S00/406 |
| 27 | 56 45.46N | 9 09.01W | 56 52.95N | 9 11.18W | S00/407 |
| 25 | 56 42.80N | 9 02.23W | 56 48.75N | 9 04.80W | S00/405 |
| 21 | 56 20.22N | 9 09.13W | 56 13.69N | 9 12.15W | S00/401 |
| 23 | 56 14.66N | 9 22.05W | 56 09.05N | 9 23.39W | S00/403 |
| 22 | 56 09.38N | 9 19.07W | 56 15.24N | 9 16.36W | S00/402 |
| 24 | 56 07.16N | 9 35.31W | 56 13.21N | 9 38.19W | S00/427 |
| 19 | 55 57.58N | 9 19.77W | 55 50.78N | 9 22.91W | S00/399 |
| 18 | 55 57.26N | 9 16.68W | 55 50.75N | 9 18.43W | S00/398 |
| 20 | 55 57.06N | 9 24.01W | 55 50.87N | 9 27.36W | S00/400 |
| 17 | 55 14.20N | 10 03.61W | 55 10.20N | 10 05.40W | S00/397 |
| 14 | 55 12.09N | 10 02.74W | 55 05.77N | 10 05.71W | S00/394 |
| 16 | 55 11.07N | 10 11.80W | 55 05.56N | 10 16.40W | S00/396 |
| 15 | 55 08.63N | 10 10.07W | 55 14.67N | 10 07.61W | S00/395 |

Shooting and hauling positions to be used as a guideline only, haul duration and consequently distance towed to be decided during the survey.

Scotia Deepwater Survey 2004 Trawl Positions



