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UOR OPERATIONS

USNS LYNCH

Norwegian Sea, Barents Sea and Greenland Sea

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VESSEL	USNS LYNCH
PERIOD	1 August to 22 August 1986
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ITINERARY:	(All times in BST)
Mon 28 July	IMER Scientific equipment transported to Glasgow by Laboratory van.
Tue 29 July	Aiken travelled to Glasgow by sleeper train.
Wed 30 July	Scientific equipment loaded on board LYNCH and cruise preparations started.
Thur 31 July	Cruise preparations continued.
Fri 1 Aug	0900 LYNCH departed Glasgow, fuelled and made passage to the scientific area; see cruise track, Appendix 1.
Sat 2 Aug	1300 Station 1; see station list Appendix 2. 1600 - 1900 UOR test deployments (no instruments).
Sun 3 Aug	1140 UOR Tow 1 and vertical profile to Station 2; see tow list Appendix 3. 1300 - 1600 Station 2 1648 Vertical Profile (VP) and UOR Tow 2. 1918 End UOR Tow 2.
Mon 4 Aug	1022 UOR Tow 3 and VP at Station 3. 1230 - 1545 Station 3. 1555 UOR Tow 4. 1947 End UOR Tow 4.
Tue 5 Aug	1230 - 1600 Station 4. 1619 VP from Station 4; UOR Tow 5. 1900 End UOR Tow 5.
Wed 6 Aug	1020 UOR Tow 6; VP to Station 5. 1230 - 1600 Station 5. 1610 VP from Station 5; UOR Tow 7. 1925 End UOR Tow 7.

Thur 7 Aug	1103 UOR Tow 8; VP to Station 6. 1230 - 1530 Station 6. 1549 VP from Station 6; UOR Tow 9. 1625 End UOR Tow 9. 1647 UOR Tow 10. 1911 End UOR Tow 10.
Fri 8 Aug	1019 UOR Tow 11; VP to Station 7. 1230 - 1530 Station 7. 1532 VP from Station 7; UOR Tow 12. 1950 End UOR Tow 12.
Sat 9 Aug	0833 UOR Tow 13; VP to Station 8. 1100 - 1400 Station 8. 1405 VP from Station 8; UOR Tow 14. 1821 End UOR Tow 14.
Sun 10 Aug	0732 UOR Tow 15; VP to Station 9. 0945 - 1430 Station 9. 1435 VP from Station 9; UOR Tow 16. 1851 End UOR Tow 16.
Mon 11 Aug	0725 UOR Tow 17; VP to Station 10. 0930 - 1230 Station 10. 1245 VP from Station 10; UOR Tow 18. 1251 End UOR Tow 18.
Tue 12 Aug	0727 UOR Tow 19; VP to Station 11. 0930 - 1230 Station 11. 1237 VP from Station 11; UOR Tow 20.
Wed 13 Aug	0238 End UOR Tow 20. 0840 Double VP before Station 12 (Tow 21). 0930 - 1500 Station 12. 1516 VP from Station 12; UOR Tow 22. 1953 End UOR Tow 22.
Thur 14 Aug	0727 UOR Tow 23; VP to Station 13. 0930 - 1300 Station 13. 1345 VP from Station 13; UOR Tow 24. 1745 End UOR Tow 24.
Fri 15 Aug	0718 UOR Tow 25; VP to Station 14. 1100 - 1415 Station 14. 1429 VP from Station 14; fixed depth Tow 26. 1550 End UOR Tow 26. 1923 UOR Tow 27.
Sat 16 Aug	1052 End UOR Tow 27; VP to Station 15. 1100 - 1500 Station 15. 1500 VP from Station 15; UOR tow 28.

Sun 17 Aug 0850 End UOR Tow 28; VP to Station 16.
0915 - 1230 Station 16.
1244 VP from Station 16; fixed depth and Undulating Tow 29.
1427 End UOR Tow 29.
2008 UOR Tow 30.
2045 Abort Tow 30; fog and ice.

Mon 18 Aug 0813 UOR Tow 31 and VP to Station 17.
1100 - 1345 Station 17.
1409 VP from Station 17; UOR Tow 32.
1942 End UOR Tow 32.

Tue 19 Aug 0823 UOR Tow 33 and VP to Station 18.
1100 - 1345 Station 18.
1354 VP from Station 18; UOR Tow 34.
1858 End UOR Tow 34.

Wed 20 Aug 0819 UOR Tow 35 and VP to Station 19.
1115 - 1300 Station 19.
1307 VP from Station 19; UOR Tow 36.
1810 End Tow 36.

Thur 21 Aug 0800 - 1010 Station 20.
1012 VP from Station 20; UOR Tow 37.
1442 End UOR Tow 37.
Cruise activities completed.

Fri 22 Aug 1200 LYNCH Docked in Trondheim
PM Equipment packed for shipment and unloaded from
LYNCH.

Sat 23 Aug 0630 Aiken travelled back to UK.

EQUIPMENT: (IMER) UOR610 (ARE) + Chlorophyll, temperature depth and
light sensors.
UOR610 spares.
UOR611 (IMER) + sensors and spares.
SWTP Computer and MDTR playback.
LA120 Printing terminal.
COMPAC Computer (APL/JHU).
Towing cables (3 reels).
Towing blocks
Strain gauges (Hydraulic + electronic)
UOR trolley.
Sundry tools, test equipment and deployment gear.

OBJECTIVES: 1. To measure the bio-optical properties and
associated hydrographic structures of the
waters throughout the cruise area (Eastern
North Atlantic, Norwegian Sea, Barents Sea and
Greenland Sea.

METHODS:

1. At stations throughout the cruise area, timed close to local solar noon, the vertical structure (to 200 m if possible) of downwelling irradiance and water transmission were measured at several wavelengths with:

1.1 The Marine Environmental Radiometer (MER); downwelling irradiance at 410, 441, 465, 488, 520, 540, 560 and 589 nm.

1.2 The Visibility Laboratory Irradiance Meter (VLIM); downwelling irradiance at 493 nm.

1.3 The Visibility Laboratory Spectral Transmissometer (VLST); transmission at 5 wavelengths.

2. At each station, the vertical structure (to 500 m or 250 m in shallow waters) of Temperature Conductivity and Salinity was measured (or computed) using a vertical cast of the Neil-Brown CTD. Water samples were taken at 12 depths and water filtered for analysis of chlorophyll concentration and accessory pigments by HPLC; samples were frozen for subsequent laboratory analysis.

The UOR chlorophyll sensor was calibrated with 10ml samples from each bottle; see Appendix 2/2.

3. Continuous measurements of surface chlorophyll concentration (pumped surface water to Turner fluorometer) and temperature (IMER thermister probe) were made along the cruise track and water samples filtered (at least 4 per day and more frequently in frontal regions) for chlorophyll and accessory pigment analysis (by HPLC).

4. The UOR mark 2 was towed at full speed (ca 10 knots, $5\text{m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$), set to undulate from surface to 50 m, up-to and away from each station position, to make measurements of depth, temperature, chlorophyll and light (upwelling and downwelling sensors as detailed in Figure 1), in support of the primary objective. Immediately adjacent to each station, the UOR was towed in a slow oblique profile astern of the vessel (at 2 to 4 knots) to acquire data, uncorrupted by any artefact of the high-speed towing operations, for comparison with the station data.

The UOR tow cable was turned end-for-end about mid-way through the cruise (after ca 700 miles).

EQUIPMENT FAILURES AND
EQUIPMENT PERFORMANCE:

The UOR failed to undulate on tow 1 (vessel's speed less than 8kt in heavy seas), tow 2 (servo' pressure sensor blocked) and tow 3 (tail plane crank uncoupled, shortly after deployment) and stopped undulating during tow 8 (pin sheared in servo' motor/gearbox linkage). The undulation amplitude was limited to ca 20m for tows 4-7 (due to excessive weight of the fully loaded UOR and extra lead ballast in UOR610). Fixed "wings" were fitted for subsequent tows and the UOR undulated satisfactorily through the programmed depth range (surface to 50m); tows 8 to 37, 1276 miles out of a total distance of 1411 miles (>90%).

Data acquisition was generally satisfactory; System A failed for only tows 32 and 33, due to faulty contacts on the power supply board (>95% success); System B failed for part of tow 17 (1 bad battery cell) tow 18 (dry joint in power supply wiring) and tow 28 (corroded sea-water switch contact), giving an 82% data acquisition success.

An analysis of sensor and data logger performance is given in Appendix 4. There were some failures of individual light sensors, mainly due to the cable (domestic grade p.v.c.) becoming brittle in sub-zero temperatures.

Temperature, chlorophyll concentration, depth, downwelling blue (450 nm) light and green light (550nm) were recorded for most of the cruise (except the tape recorder failures, tow 32 and part tow 33) amounting to over 95% of the towed distance. Likewise downwelling light blue irradiance (488 nm) and downwelling hemispherical irradiance (488 nm) were recorded for all tows, except the System B tape recorder failures (tows 17, 18 and 28), amounting to 82% data acquisition success. There were 12 or more sensors operational for 30 of the 37 tows amounting to about 75% of the total time. Of the potential 0.9M data points recorded (150 h at 6000.h⁻¹) about 11.5% were lost through data recorder failures, and a further 13% through sensor failures. Since upwelling light was immeasurable at depths greater than 20m for much of the time with shallower limits in dull conditions or at night, the number of useful

data points recorded was ca 0.5 to 0.6M.

Overall the performance of the UOR in arctic, sub-zero temperature waters was extremely satisfactory; battery capacity for all sensors was more than adequate even for the longest tow (17 h 50 mins).

The tape relay module gave persistent problems throughout the cruise, which was a handicap to the efficient examination of the data while at sea, but nevertheless adequate performance was achieved.

RESULTS:

The UOR was deployed 37 times (see tow list, Appendix 3) covering a distance of 1411 nautical miles (total time almost 150 h); the total cruise distance, station 1 to station 20, was ca 3500 nautical miles. The successful tows produced a total of 1472 vertical profiles and undulations (equivalent to double oblique profiles). In addition the UOR was towed at a fixed depth (ca 2-3 m) for part of tow 26 and tow 29 (total time ca 1 h), to measure the spatial variation of near-surface reflectance ratios (25-50 m resolution).

The results obtained provided a good coverage of the cruise area and provide sufficient data to describe the varied and contrasting hydrographic structures and associated biological conditions encountered, notably between the temperate oceanic waters of the Eastern North Atlantic and the Norwegian Sea (stations 1 to 6 and 19 to 20; tows 1 to 10 and 35 to 37) and the arctic waters of the Barents Sea and the Greenland Sea (stations 7 to 18 and tows 11 to 34); both contrasting geographic areas are known to be complex with multiple current systems and fronts arising from variations of both salinity and temperature structures.

In the temperate waters, where surface temperature ranged from ca 13°C west of the Hebrides to ca 10°C in the Norwegian Sea, there were marked variations of vertical structure. At station 2 to the west of the Hebrides, there was a slight temperature inversion, near-surface to 10m and a deep mixed layer to 40/50m; see for example Figures 2a and b. Chlorophyll₁ concentrations were moderately high at ca 2.5mg.m⁻³ in the mixed layer and almost totally absent in the deep water below 50m. Further north, the surface mixed layer was generally shallower, the thermocline (sometimes) sharp and narrow, which supported phytoplankton populations with chlorophyll concentrations up to 5 mg.m⁻³; see Figures 2c and d.

The complex nature of the structures is illustrated by the final tow (tow 37) from station 20 towards the Norwegian coast, where there was evidence of frontal or current structures. (See Figures 3a and b). At the start of the tow, the temperature contours sloped steeply downwards from the surface, the surface mixed layer deepened from ca 10 to ca 30m, indicating a possible frontal crossing just before the start of the tow. After about 20 miles along the tow there was a sharp increase in temperature subsurface, indicating a sub-surface front (or current system); the 10, 11 and 12°C isotherms rose by 20m in about 2 miles. The associated chlorophyll structures changed in sympathy with the temperature structure the chlorophyll maximum was broad and deepened in the first part of the tow; after the "front", the concentration in the shallow mixed layer (to 15m) was low (ca .5mg.m⁻³) but increased sharply in the thermocline to values >4mg.m⁻³ at a depth of 20-50m, declining deeper down the water column. These structures are similar to those measured in the arctic waters.

Incident surface light was high throughout the tow (bright sun, clear cloudless sky), so that sunlight penetrated throughout the water column to >50m, though the penetration of blue light (450nm) was noticeably attenuated by the patches of chlorophyll in the thermocline of concentration >2.5mg.m⁻³ (see Figure 3c); as expected green light (550nm) was attenuated much less by the high chlorophyll patches (see Figure 3d).

As mentioned above, the temperature and chlorophyll structures measured in arctic waters were generally substantially different in character from the temperate zone; notably the surface mixed layer, which was usually fresher/lower salinity (presumably due to the influence of ice-melt water) was very low in chlorophyll concentration (<0.5mg.m⁻³) to the extent that one would speculate that nutrients had been depleted by previously high levels of near-surface primary production; (see for example Figure 4). Below the surface mixed layer chlorophyll concentrations were abundant, often exceeding 5mg.m⁻³ in the peak in the thermocline.

The typical temperature structure comprised a shallow mixed layer (ca 10 - 15m) of temperature 4°C -> 8°C and a very sharp thermocline which exhibited a temperature inversion by 40m, on occasions; frequently the temperature dropped

below 0°C (as low as -1.5°C), sometimes rising above 0°C again in the temperature inversion, indicative of complex seasonal events or advective processes.

Figure 4a and b shows the computer contoured vertical sections of temperature (°C) and chlorophyll concentration ($\text{mg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$) for tow LA88620 between stations 11 and 12 at the eastern end of the Barents Sea; the data are plotted as a "reverse" tow with the eastern/southern end of the tow on the right hand side. Temperatures ranged from $>6.5^\circ\text{C}$ at the start (southern end; mixed layer depth 20m) to 7.5°C at the end (M.L.D. 10m); there were substantial parts of the water column with temperature below 0°C.

For most of the tow, chlorophyll concentrations exceeded $1.5 \text{ mg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$ in the peak values in the thermocline, generally at depths below 40m. Only at the start of the tow (0 to -5 miles) was there no substantial thermocline peak although from -8 to -18 miles the maximum chlorophyll concentrations were recorded at the maximum depth of the measurements ca 53m; it is possible that the maximum concentrations may have been deeper. Examination of the chlorophyll section would seem to indicate a change of vertical structure after about -75 miles, not obvious from the temperature section; the $0.5 \text{ mg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$ contour which had "defined" the depth of the surface mixed layer from 0 to -75 miles, deepened to below 30 m for the remainder of the tow and the concentrations of chlorophyll in the thermocline increased to generally $>3.5 \text{ mg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$ from only occasionally $>2.5 \text{ mg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$ for the first part.

The associated vertical sections for downwelling and upwelling blue (450 nm) and green (550 nm) light do not provide any evidence in support of the change of structure after -70 miles; upwelling blue light was not measured after -55 miles and upwelling green light not measured after ca -70 miles, because of the decline of downwelling light throughout the tow corresponding to the "night-time" period; so an analysis of Reflectance will yield no more information.

During the cruise, it was possible to make some comparisons between the optical measurements by the sensors deployed on station, by the Visibility Laboratory of Scripps Institute of Oceanography and the measurements made by sensors attached to the UOR. Figure 5a and b shows the measurements of downwelling irradiance at 493 nm by the VLIM

at 40m in each case. The UOR chlorophyll measurements (not shown) almost "mirrored" the "k" profile increasing from a very low value ca 0.2 mg.m^{-3} in the surface mixed layer to a maximum value of ca 1.6 mg.m^{-3} in the thermocline at between 35 and 40m, falling ca below 0.5 mg.m^{-3} by 45m and to less than 0.1 mg.m^{-3} below 50m.

The measurements at station 12 (Figure 6a and b) gave comparable measurements again; $k(\text{VLIM})/k(\text{MER})$ were 0.063 and 0.056 in the surface mixed layer (to 20m) increasing to maximum values of 0.155 and 0.139 at about 40m and decreasing thereafter. The UOR measurements (Figure 6c) gave surface measurements 0.055/0.06 for k_{488} increasing to a value of 0.135 at 40m (the maximum depth of the measurements); this was at the same depth as the maximum recorded chlorophyll concentrations, ca 3.5 mg.m^{-3} in the thermocline at sub zero temperatures (see Figure 6d). Note the surface mixed layer chlorophyll concentration was extremely low at ca 0.2 mg.m^{-3} .

CONCLUSIONS:

The preliminary assessment of the comparative measurements of the vertical attenuation of light by the UOR and on station by conventional methods was extremely encouraging, though some areas of concern were identified.

1. The range and sensitivity of the UOR sensors was somewhat limited for this low light, northern latitude and improvement would be beneficial; the sensors deployed had very narrow band filters (10 nm $\frac{1}{2}$ -width) and the photodiodes were not optimised for each spectral range. The detection limits could be improved by using wider band filters of 20 - 40nm $\frac{1}{2}$ -width which would not seriously degrade the spectral resolution within the sensitivity required for ocean colour studies; blue-enhanced photodiodes would improve the spectral sensitivity for blue measurements.

2. The depth range of the undulator (typically 0 - 55m for this cruise) was slightly shallower than the optimum for all aspects of ocean colour studies; 0 to 75m would be superior which can be achieved by the present UOR.

3. The simultaneous measurement of chlorophyll concentrations alongside the optical measurements is extremely valuable for the interpretation of the data; in situ measurements of other pigment concentrations would be an additional advantage.

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Circulation

Internal: Bayne
 Joint
 Williamson
 Aiken

External:

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 Pugh
 White

IOS Wormley Edwards (MIAS)

MBA Denton
 Holligan

Cruise
Personnel as listed

APL Keith Peacock

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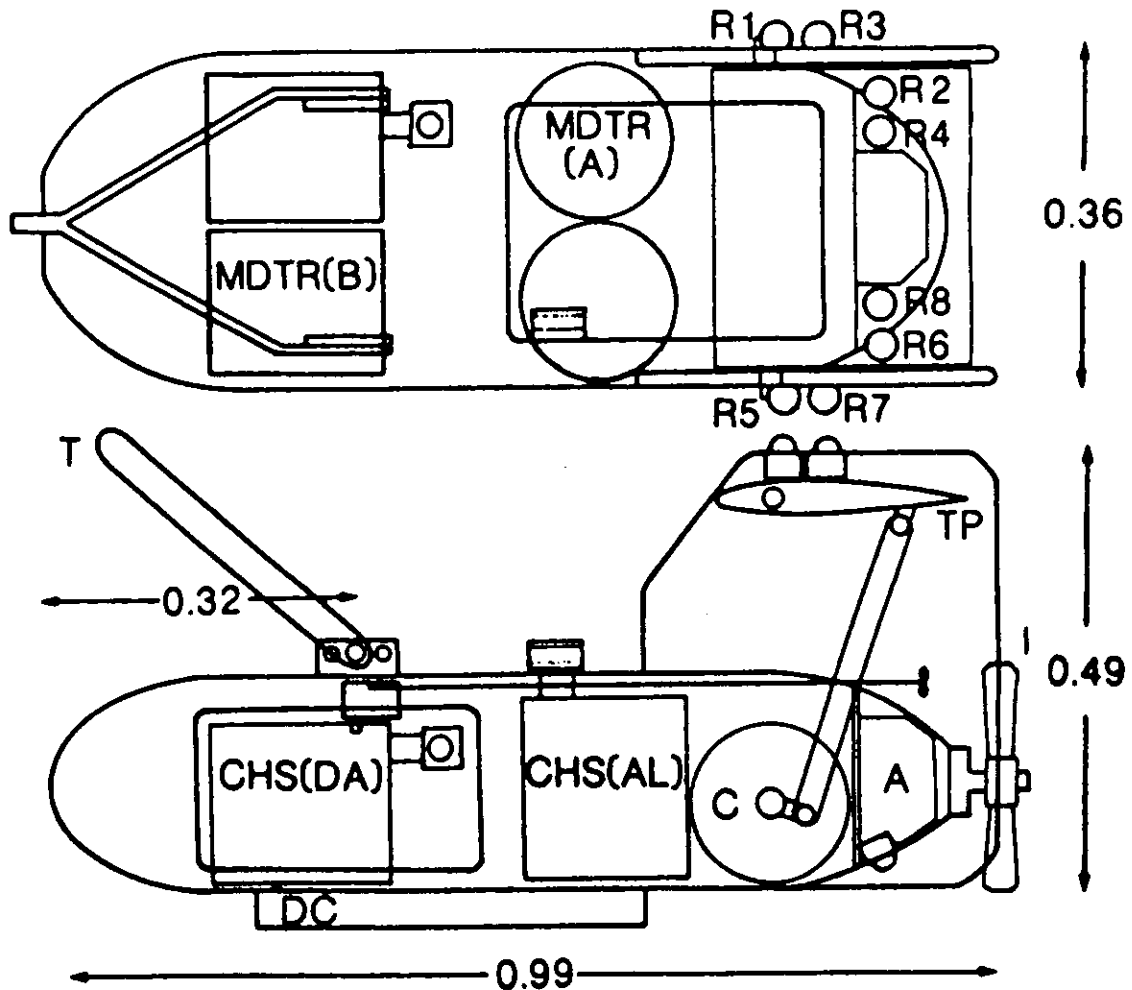
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a) the Visibility Laboratory Irradiance Meter (VLIM) at 493nm;
b) the Marine Environmental Radiometer (MER) at 499nm;
c) the UOR at 488nm; last 2 undulations before Station 11;
d) the UOR at 488nm; slow oblique profile (upcast) at Station 11.
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a) the VLIM at 493nm;
b) the MER at 488n;
c) the UOR at 488nm; slow upcast at Station 12; and
d) UOR measurements of Temperature and Chlorophyll, coincident with the upcast Figure 6c.

U.O.R. Mark 2 for Ocean Colour



U O R mark 2 : Sensor suite

Miniature Digital Tape Recorder: System A
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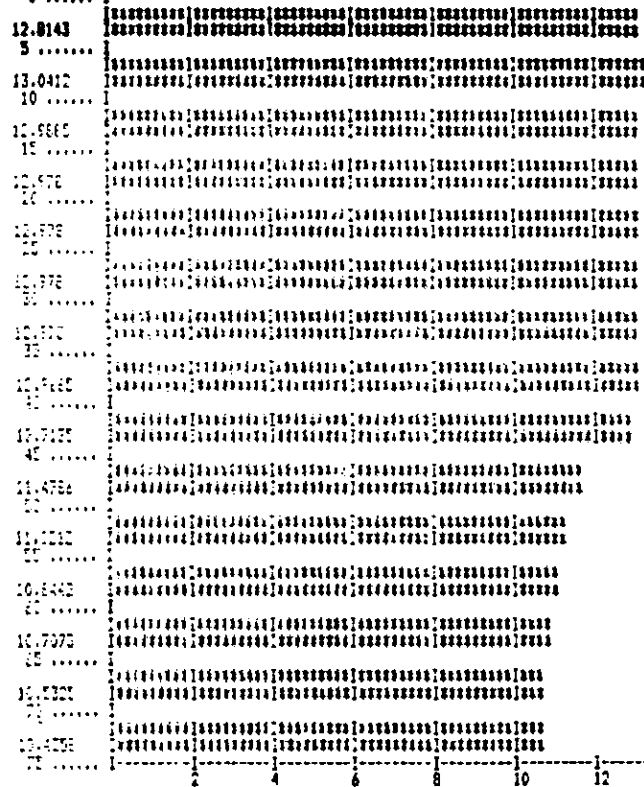
- 1 ... Depth (pressure sensor)
- 2 ... Downwelling blue light π (450nm)
- 3 ... Upwelling blue light 2π (450nm)
- 4 ... Chlorophyll fluorescence
- 5 ... Temperature (thermistor probe)
- 6 ... Downwelling green light 2π (550nm)
- 7 ... Upwelling green light 2π (550nm)

Miniature Digital Tape Recorder: System B
 Channel 0 Elapsed time

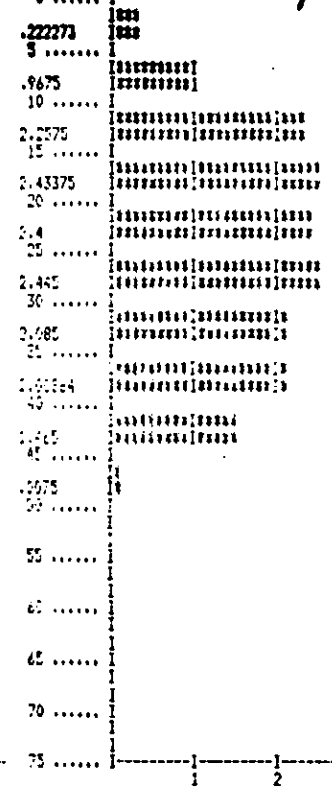
- 1 ... Depth
- 2 ... Downwelling light-blue light 2π (488nm)
- 3 ... Upwelling light-blue light 2π (488nm)
- 4 ... Downwelling light-blue irradiance (488nm)
- 5 ... Upwelling light-blue irradiance (488nm)
- 6 ... Downwelling green irradiance (550nm)
- 7 ... Upwelling green irradiance (550nm)

Figure 1. UOR Mark 2 schematic and sensor suite.

STATION 2. a. Temperature

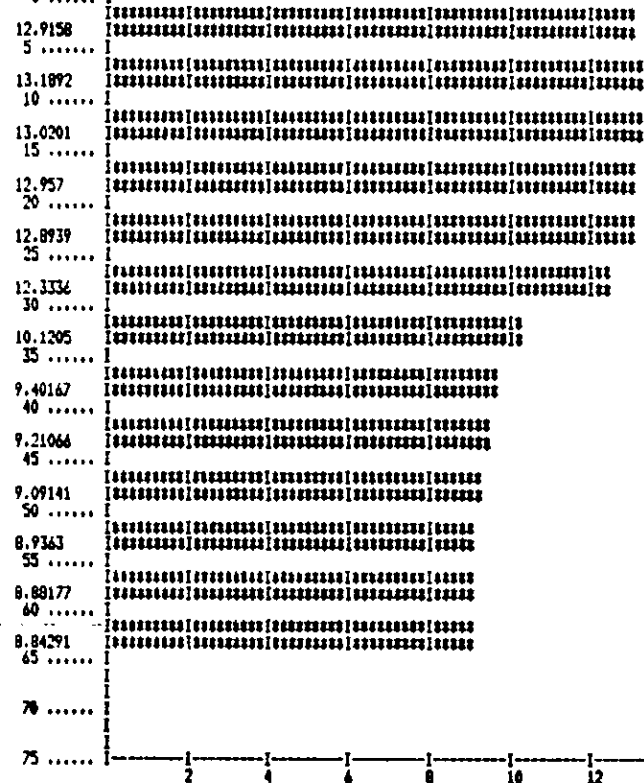


b. Chlorophyll II



X-Scale = 5 divisions per unit

STATION 4. c. Temperature



PLOT OF AVERAGE CHLOROPHYLL

d. Chlorophyll II

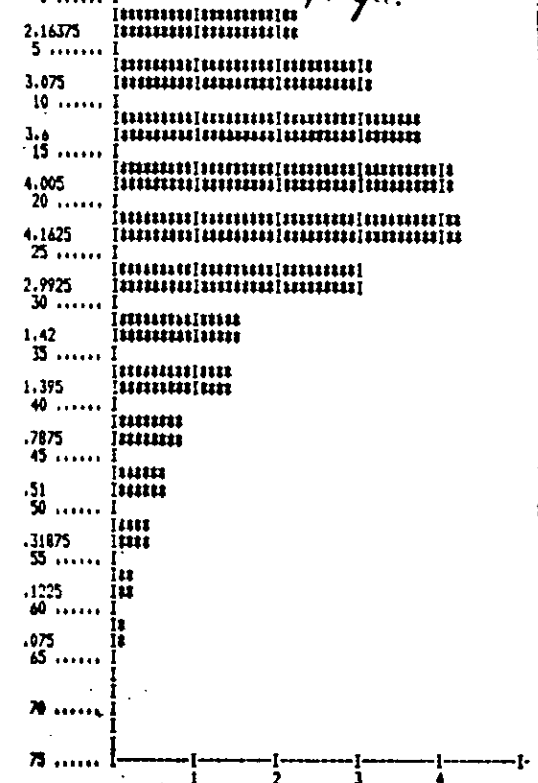


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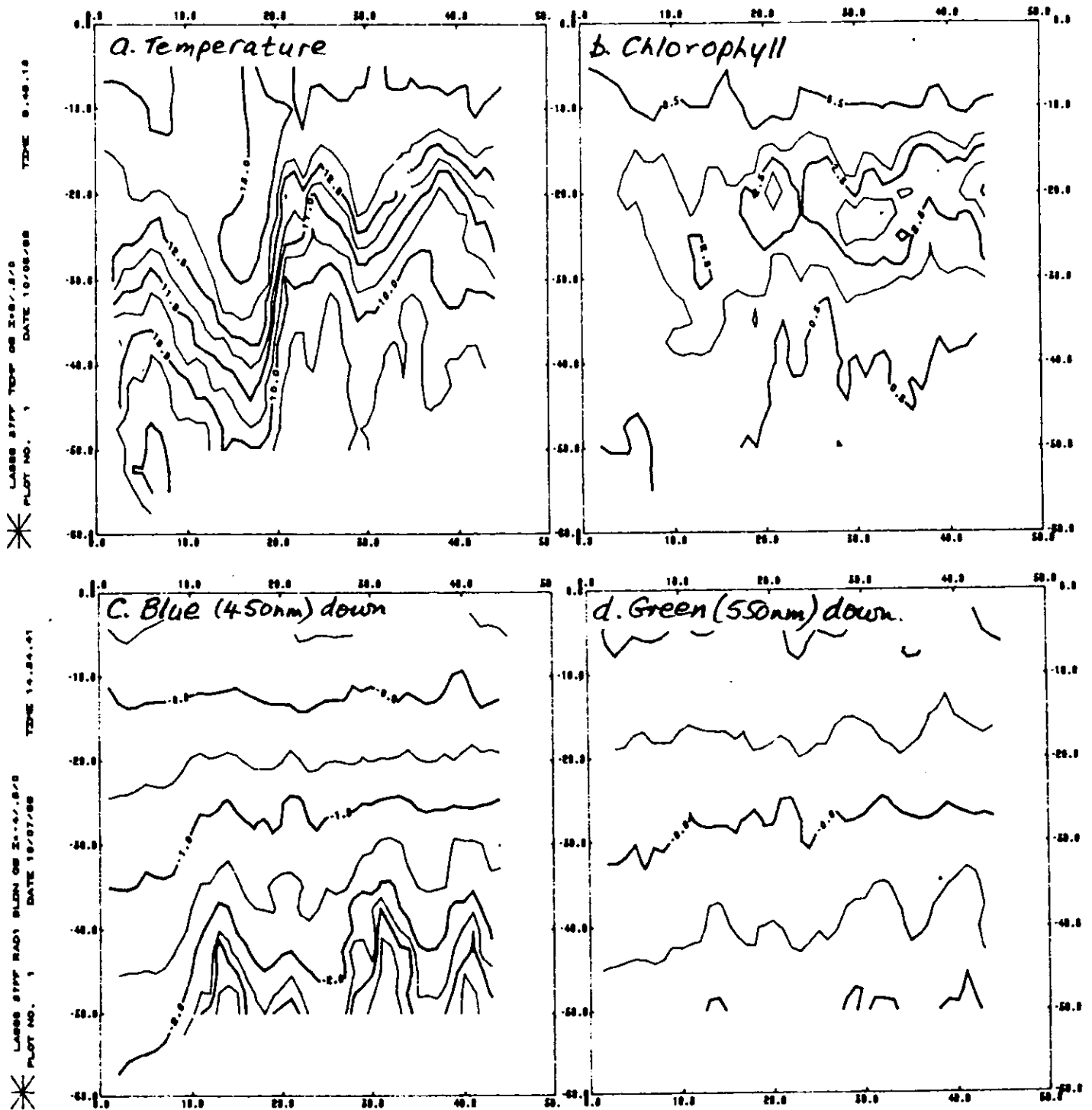


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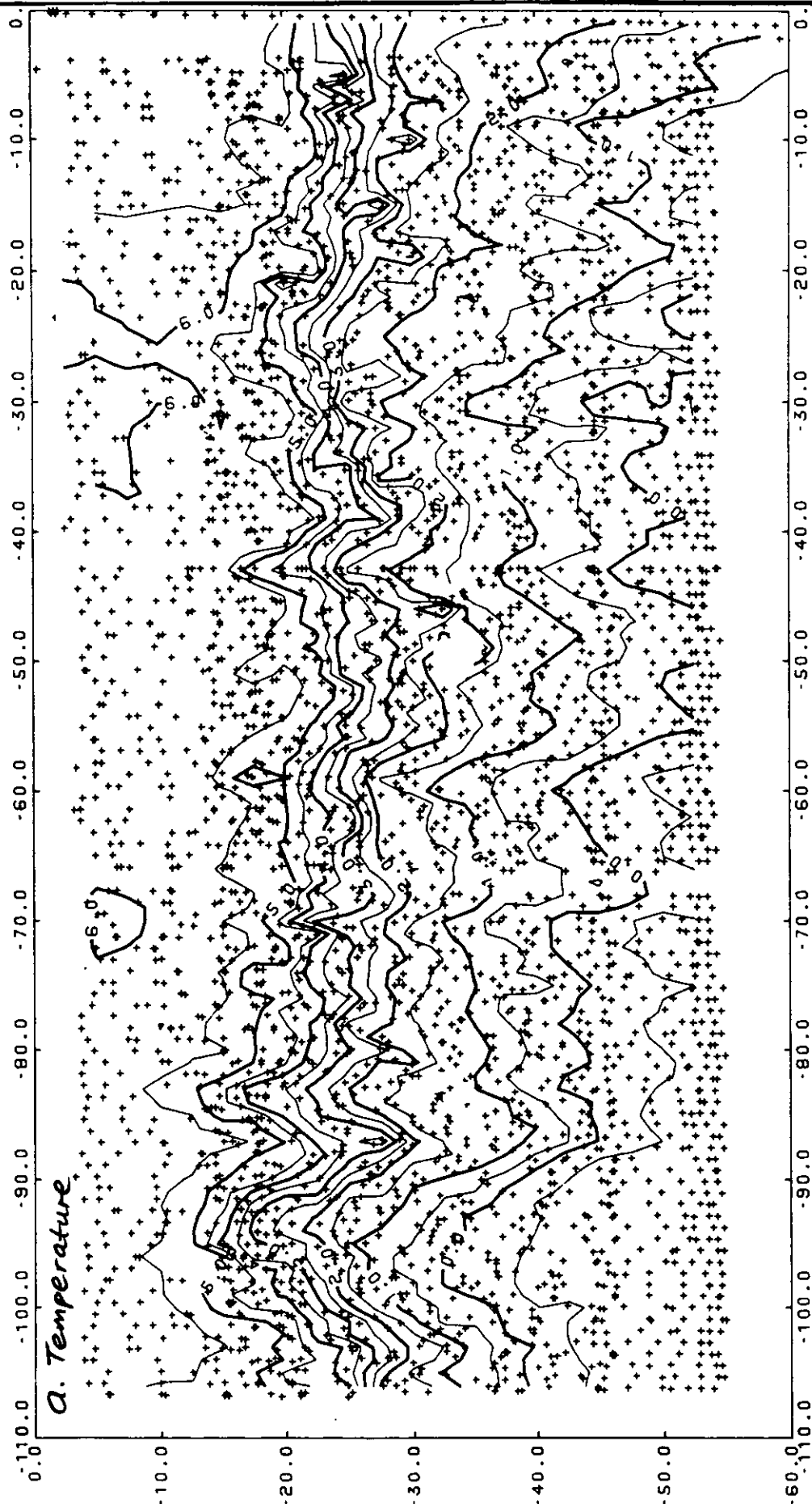


Figure 4. Vertical sections of Temperature ($^{\circ}\text{C}$) and chlorophyll concentration ($\text{mg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$) for Tow L88620 in the Barents Sea, 12 - 13 August.
a. Temperature

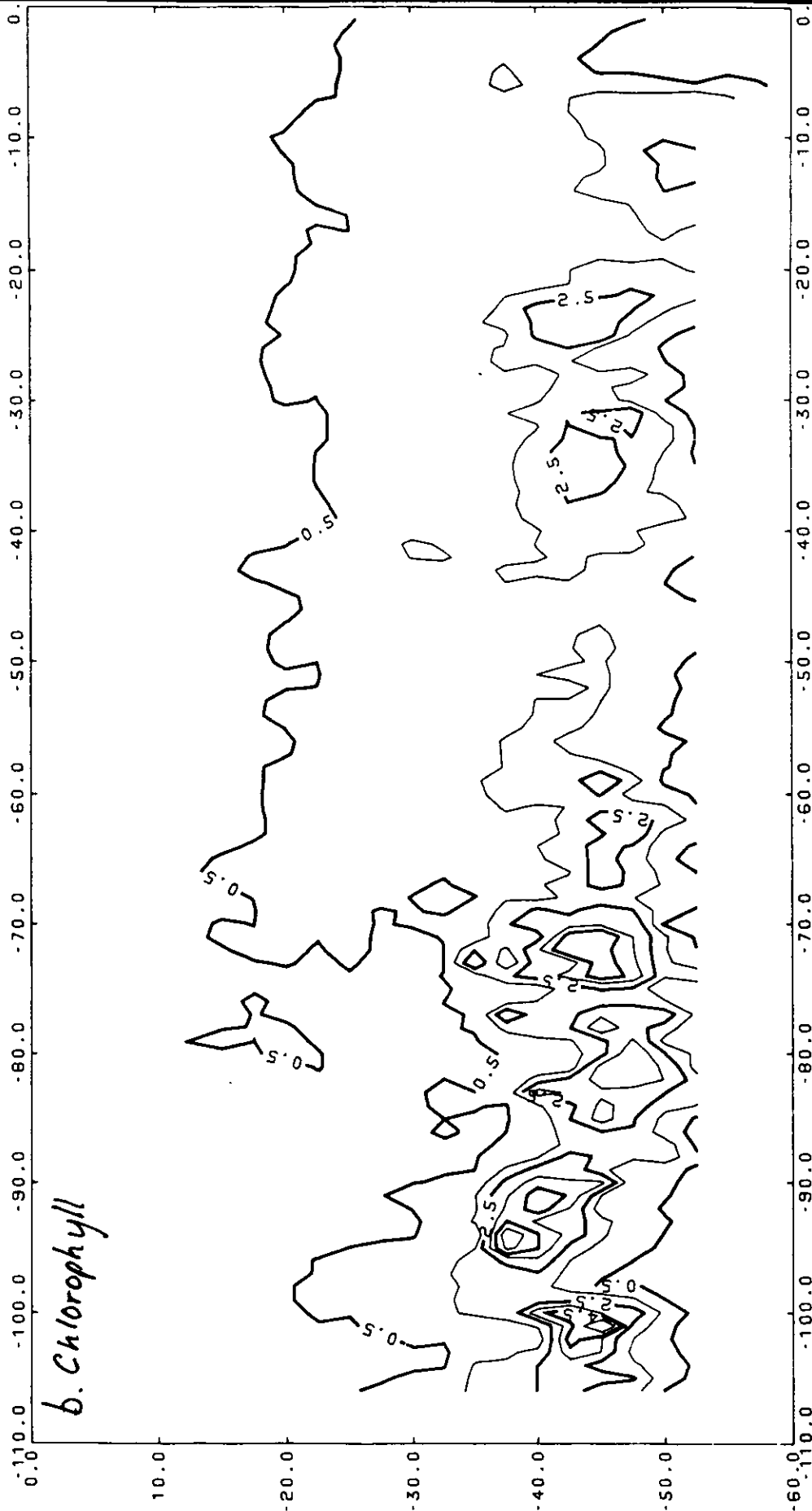


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Station 11 12Aug.1986

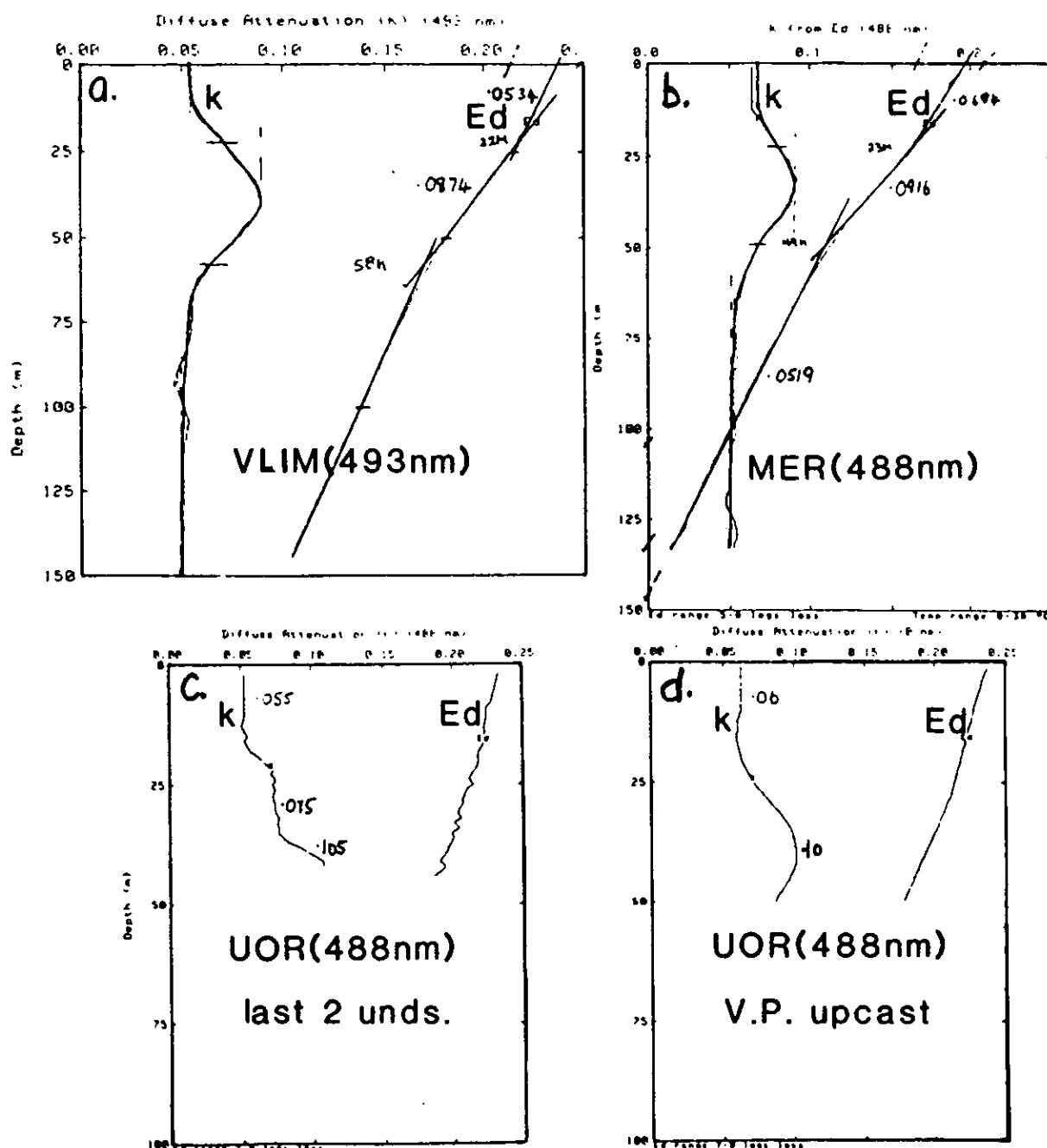


Figure 5. Downwelling irradiance measurements and the computed values of attenuation coefficient 'k' at Station 11 in the Barents Sea, 12 August 1986 by:
 a) the Visibility Laboratory Irradiance Meter (VLIM) at 493nm;
 b) the Marine Environmental Radiometer (MER) at 499nm;
 c) the UOR at 488nm; last 2 undulations before Station 11;
 d) the UOR at 488nm; slow oblique profile (upcast) at Station 11.

Station 12 13 Aug. 1986

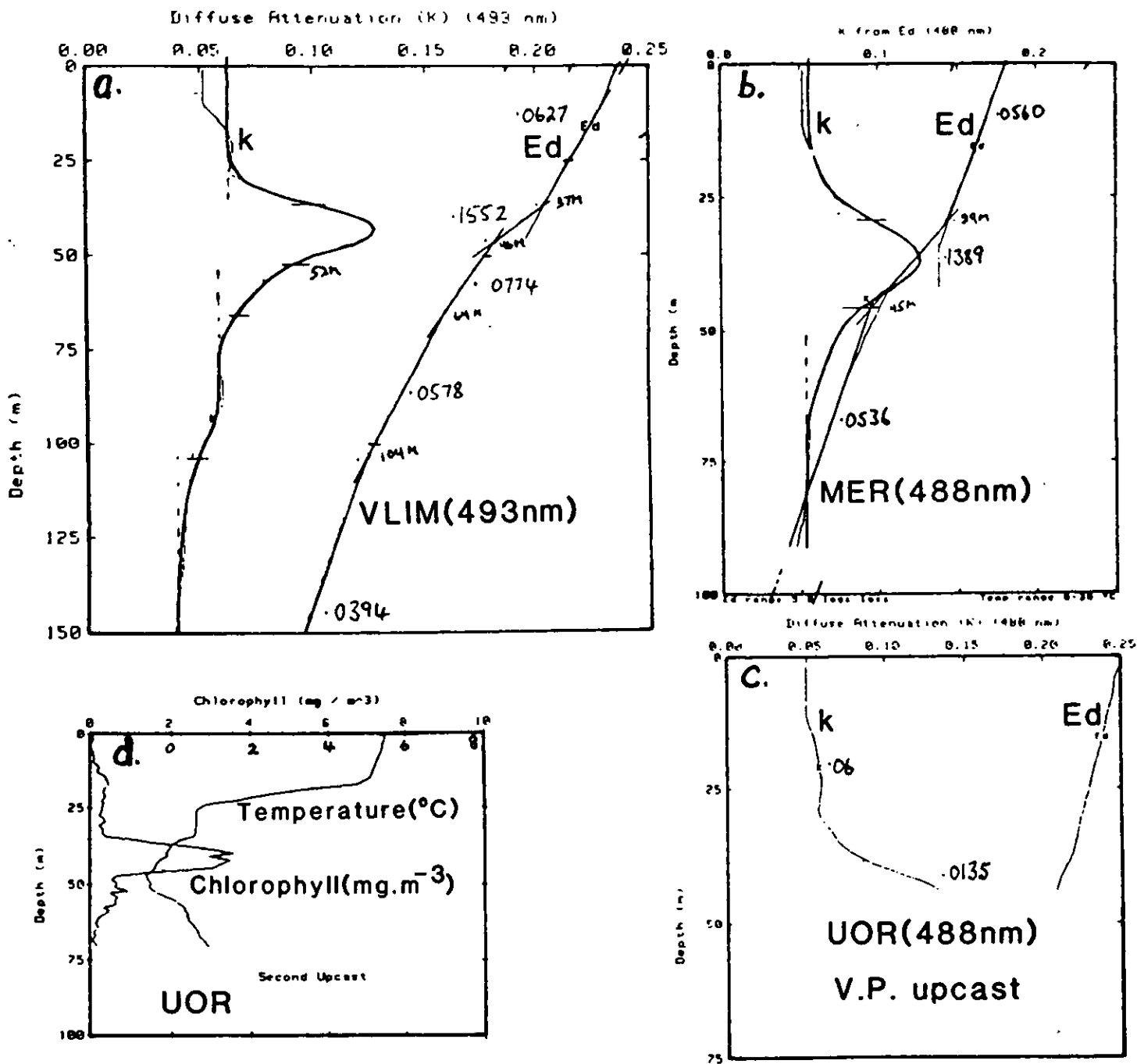
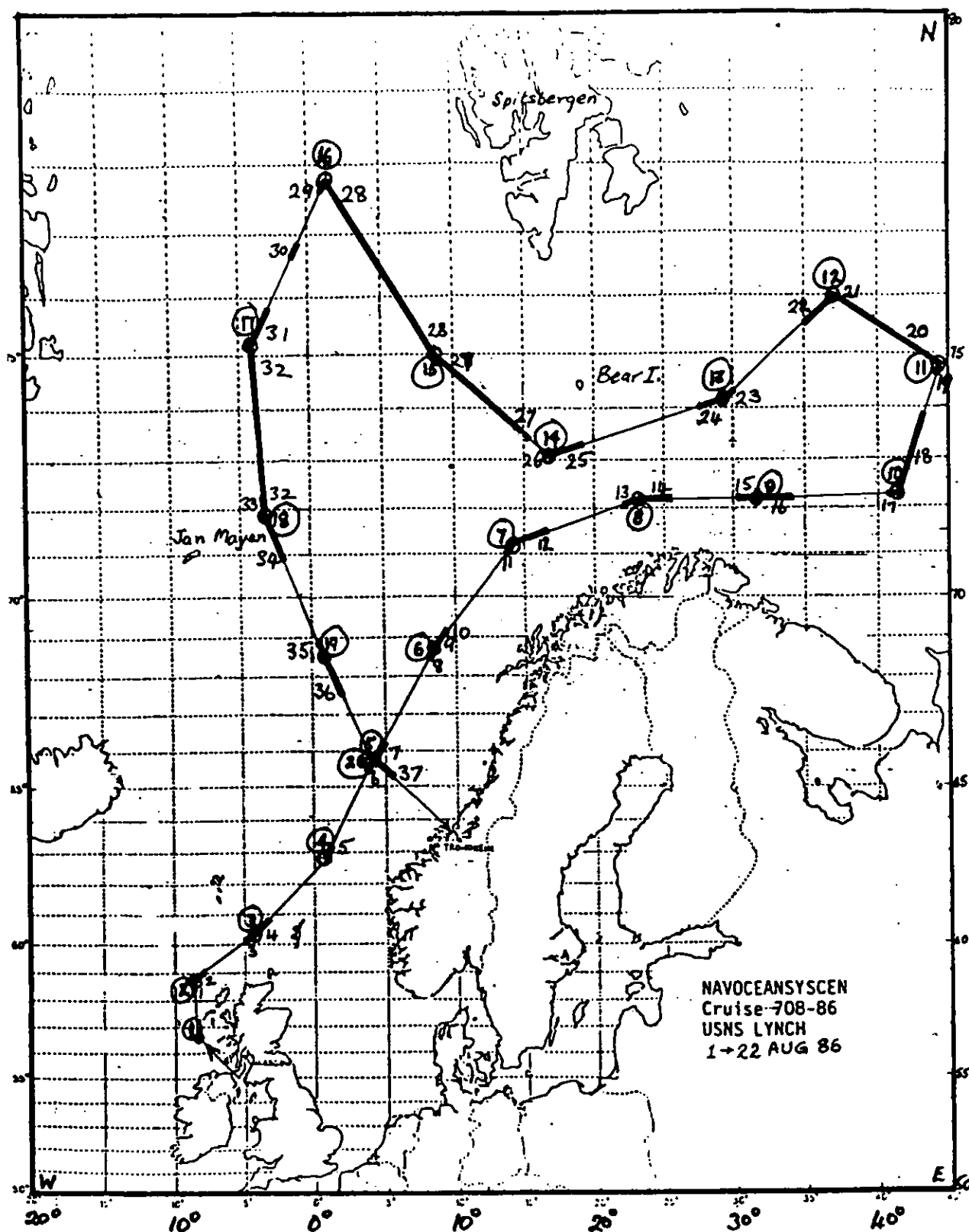


Figure 6. Downwelling irradiance and computed values of 'k' at Station 12 on the Barents Sea, 13 August 1986 by:
 a) the VLIM at 493nm;
 b) the MER at 488nm;
 c) the UOR at 488nm; slow upcast at Station 12; and
 d) UOR measurements of Temperature and Chlorophyll, co-incident with the upcast Figure 6c.

Appendix 1. Cruise track, USNS LYNCH, 1 August to 22 August 1986. Station positions are numbered 1 to 20 and circled. UOR tows are indicated by bold sections.

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Appendix 2. Station list, USNS LYNCH, 1 August to 22 August 1986.

Sheet 1

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Sta. Time EST	Sta. No.	Date	Latitude N	Longitude W/E	Dist. (nmi)	UOR Tows	
						before	after
13:00 16:00	1	2 Aug.	52° 35'	8° 54' W	0.0	—	—
13:00 16:30	2	3 Aug.	58° 43.542'	8° 45.300' W	124.1	LY88601	LY88602
12:30 15:45	3	4 Aug.	60° 45.550'	5° 58.570' W	323.0	03	04
12:30 16:00	4	5 Aug.	62° 48.576'	0° 54.824' E	511.7	—	05
12:30 16:00	5	6 Aug.	65° 42.47'	4° 10.247' E	707.4	06	07
12:30 15:30	6	7 Aug.	68° 42.610'	8° 16.204' E	912.0	08	09
12:30 15:30	7	8 Aug.	71° 25.35'	14° 09.67' E	1113.6	11	12
11:00 14:00	8	9 Aug.	72° 16.404'	23° 02.323' E	1289.0	13	14
09:45 14:30	9	10 Aug.	72° 16.691'	31° 58.376' E	1451.2	15	16
09:30 12:30	10	11 Aug.	72° 19.386'	41° 35.166' E	1627.3	17	18
09:30 12:30	11	12 Aug.	74° 41.488'	44° 31.962' E	1778.7	19	20
09:30 15:00	12	13 Aug.	76° 00.255'	37° 00.441' E	1918.6	21	22
09:30 13:00	13	14 Aug.	74° 17.026'	29° 06.402' E	2079.7	23	24
11:00 14:15	14	15 Aug.	73° 06.753'	16° 58.808' E	2296.6	25	26
11:00 15:00	15	16 Aug.	75° 04.533'	8° 18.099' E	2484.2	27	28
09:15 12:30	16	17 Aug.	77° 45.224'	1° 37.717' E	2671.9	28	29
11:00 14:00	17	18 Aug.	75° 19.410'	3° 58.573' W	2356.8	31	32
11:00 13:45	18	19 Aug.	71° 51.726'	3° 07.059' W	3066.1	33	34
11:15 13:00	19	20 Aug.	68° 50.230'	1° 04.430' E	3236.2	35	36
08:00 10:00	20	21 Aug.	65° 42.285'	4° 10.818' E	3470.5	—	37

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Sta. Time B.S.T.	Sta. No.	Date	Latitude N	Longitude W/E	Dist. (nmi)	STATION CHLORO. SAMPLES	STATION TEMPERATURES 5m/20m/50m
13.00 16.00	1	2 Aug.	56° 35'	8° 34' W	0.0	—	12.51/11.37/11.3
13.00 16.30	2	3 Aug.	58° 43.542'	8° 45.305' W	124.1	—	12.51/12.4/11.3
12.30 15.45	3	4 Aug.	60° 43.550'	3° 58.570' W	323.0	—	11.7/11.3/9.8
12.30 16.00	4	5 Aug.	62° 48.376'	0° 54.824' E	511.7	—	11.46/9.05/8.7
12.30 16.00	5	6 Aug.	65° 42.47'	4° 10.247' E	707.4	✓ 12*	11.36/11.3/8.9
12.30 15.30	6	7 Aug.	68° 42.610'	8° 16.204' E	912.0	—	9.75/9.7/7.7
12.30 15.30	7	8 Aug.	71° 25.35'	14° 09.67' E	1113.6	—	
11.00 14.00	8	9 Aug.	72° 16.404'	23° 02.323' E	1289.0	✓ 12	8.6/8.53/6.1
09.45 14.30	9	10 Aug.	72° 16.691'	31° 58.576' E	1451.2	✓ 12	9.44/6.7/4.9
09.30 12.30	10	11 Aug.	72° 19.386'	41° 35.166' E	1627.3	✓ 12	8.35/8.28/3.2
09.30 12.30	11	12 Aug.	74° 41.488'	44° 31.962' E	1778.7	✓ 12	6.96/6.36/0.7
09.30 15.00	12	13 Aug.	76° 00.255'	37° 00.441' E	1918.6	✓ 12	5.5/1.47/1.2
09.30 13.00	13	14 Aug.	74° 17.026'	29° 06.402' E	2079.7	✓ 12	8.25/7.74/4.8
11.00 14.15	14	15 Aug.	73° 06.753'	16° 58.808' E	2296.6	✓ 12	8.80/7.8/6.3
11.00 15.00	15	16 Aug.	75° 04.533'	8° 18.099' E	2484.2	✓ 12	6.97/6.57/4.3
09.15 12.30	16	17 Aug.	77° 45.224'	1° 37.717' E	2671.9	✓ 12	4.66/4.6/1.26
11.00 14.00	17	18 Aug.	75° 19.410'	3° 58.553' W	2856.8	✓ 12	4.48/3.83/1.4
11.00 13.45	18	19 Aug.	71° 51.726'	3° 07.059' W	3066.1	—	5.8/3.0/0.2
11.15 13.00	19	20 Aug.	68° 33.230'	1° 04.430' E	3235.2	✓ 12	10.2/10.16/7.3
08.00 10.00	20	21 Aug.	65° 42.285'	4° 10.818' E	3470.5	✓ 12	12.01/11.48/8.4

* typical depths 0, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 50, 75, 100, 150m

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LY88601 3/8/86	11:40	L	58° 36.8	08° 50.1			V.P.		8.2	Not undulating	Good
	12:44	R	58° 42.0	08° 46.1	1h04	5.6	F.D. V.P.	—	7.5	Speed too low? 200m	
LY88602 3/8/86	16:48	L	58° 44.7	08° 41.3			V.P.		9.5	Slow profile 200 m wire	Good
	18:00		58° 50.3	08° 29.7			F.D.		—	Not undulating (minis) reduce to 60m cable	
	18:30		58° 53.25	08° 22.0					9.1		
	18:52										
	19:18	R	58° 56.9	08° 13.0	2h30	19	V.P.	—		Slow for V.P. 200m recover at 15m·min ⁻¹	
LY88603 4/8/86	10:22	L	60° 32.	04° 26.4			V.P.		10.2	200m out not U	Good
	10:55		60° 35.3	04° 18.3			F.D.		10.1	reduce to 40m out	
	12:04									200m out; reduce to 40m recover at 15m·min ⁻¹	
	12:21	R	60° 43.1	03° 59.0	1h59	17.4	V.P.	—		Crank uncoupled	
LY88604 4/8/86	15:55	L	60° 42.6	04° 02.9			V.P.		3kt	100m V.P.	Good
									9.4kt	— 200m out	
	17:00		60° 48.2	03° 50.8					9.5kt	Undulates 3 min period	
	18:00		60° 54.3	03° 36.2					9.6kt		
	19:30		61° 02.8	03° 13.3			80			slow to 4kt for recovery	
	19:48	R	61° 3.6	03° 10.9	3h52	33	V.P.	—			
LY88605 5/8/86	16:19	L	62° 48.6	01° 03.2E			V.P.		3kt	100m V.P.	Good
	16:27								10.2	200m out	
	16:45								9.9	Undulates 3 min period 150m out	
	18:45								10.4	Slow for V.P.	
	19:00	R	63° 07.1	01° 19.1E	2h41	20	47 V.P.	—			
LY88606 6/8/86	10:20	L	65° 25.7	03° 50.6E					9.9kt	200m wire out	Good
	10:38								10	3 min undulations bring in to 70	
	12:00								9.9	Pay out to 160m Slow V.P. at 2kts	
	12:23	R	65° 42.5	4° 10.25E	2h03	18.6	43 V.P.	—			
LY88607 6/8/86	16:10	L	65° 45.4	4° 12.8E			V.P.		2.3	Launch at 2kt pay out 150m for V.P.	Good
	16:23									Increase to Full	
	17:30		65° 55.8	4° 25.8E					10.3	4 min undulation	
	18:27								10.7	Reduce to 120m out	
	19:10									Slow to 3kt for V.P.	
	19:25	R	66° 11.64	04° 45.16E	3h15	29.3	43 V.P.	—			

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LY88608 7/6/86	11:03	L	68° 33.8	08° 0.2E						200 m 4kt → full FIT WINGS + CARBON TAIL PLANE undulating 4 1/2 mins	
	11:20								11.1		
	11:35						7		11.4	Stopped undulating	
	11:58						+FD			Slow to 4kt for V.P.	
	12:10	R	68° 6.4	08° 16.0E	1h 07	10	VP.			Gearbox/motor pin shear	Good
LY88609 7/8/86	15:49	L	68° 43.95	08° 26.0E						4kt → full oped 200 m	
	16:00								10.4	undulating 1 1/2 mins (wrong setting)	
	16:14									Slow for recovery	
	16:25	R	68° 48.3	08° 35.7	0h 46	5	21				Good
LY88610 7/8/86	16:47	L	68° 49.3	08° 37.6E						4kt → full 200 m out	
	17:00		68° 51.0	08° 40.8E					11.1	undulating 6 min/und. +200m to 220m	
	18:58						22			Slow to 4kt for VP	
	19:11	R	69° 09.1	08° 10.0E	2h 24	23	VP.				Good
LY88611 8/8/86	10:19	L	71° 13.18	13° 28.0E					9.7R	Full speed. 200 m	
	11:00	A/C	71° 20.4	13° 43.6					9.9	A/C 034 to 072	
	11:54						14			Slow to 4kt for V.P.	
	12:10	R	71° 23.3	14° 08.2E	1h 51	17	VP.				Good
LY88612 8/8/86	15:32	L	71° 23.02	14° 11.67E						2kt 150m at 15a. min + V.P.	
	15:53								9.8kt	227 out	
	17:00								9.5kt	undulating 7 mins	
	18:00								9.2		
	19:33						36			Slow to 4kt for VP	
	19:50	R	71° 36.2	16° 10.8E	4h 18	40	VP.				Good
LY88613 9/8/86	08:33	L	72° 13.7	22° 42.6E						2 at 6kt → full 200m out	
	08:45								9.7	undulating 6 mins	
	10:00	A/C	72° 18.0	23° 26.3E					9.5	A/C 180 back to stripes.	
	10:30						21			Reduce to 4kt for V.P.	
	10:47	R	72° 16.4	23° 06.5E	2h 14	20	VP.				Good
LY88614 9/8/86	14:05	L	72° 15.4	23° 01.4E						2 at 4kt for V.P.	
	14:20								10.2	→ full/shadow 200m out	
	16:00										
	18:08						41			Commence recovery at 6kt for V.P.	
18:21	R	72° 16.5	25° 16.0E	4h 16	41	VP.				Good	

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LY88615 10/8/86	07:32	L	72° 16.9	31° 37.0E					10.2	In at 7kt → full payout 220m	Good
	08:52	A/C	72° 16.4	32° 22.8E					10.4	Recip Co. 091 → 222	
	09:35						22			Slow to 4 kt for V.P.	
	09:46	R	72° 15.9	32° 04.8E	2h 14	203	VP				
LY88616 10/8/86	14:35	L	72° 20.3	31° 51.5E						VP 150m out at 2kt	Good
	14:51								9.8	Full speed → 220m	
	16:00		72° 26.1	32° 30.6E					9.9	Co 090 Und. OK	
	18:30								10.3	Slow to 3 kt for recovery V.P.	
	18:51	R	72° 19.7	33° 58.9E	1h 16	38.6	37 V.P.				
LY88617 11/8/86	07:25	L	72° 18.6	40° 56.0E					10	Full speed pay out 220m	Take A Tape B 1/2
	08:55	A/C	72° 18.5	41° 42.6E		16.4	17		10.6	Recip Co to 270	
	09:21	R	72° 19.5	41° 35.7E	1h 56		VP			3 kt for V.P. at recovery	
LY88618 11/8/86	12:45	L	72° 22.2	41° 32.2E					2	2 wires at 2kt for V.P.	Tape A Tape B X
	13:00		72° 23.1	41° 33.1E					10.4	225m cable out undulating OK	
	15:00								10.9		
	17:00								11		
	19:00								11.1		
	21:43								11.0	Slow to 4kt for recovery	
LY88619 12/8/86	07:27	L	74° 29.1	44° 15.7E						In at 4kt → full 230m out	Good Tape A Tape B V
	08:57	A/C	74° 48.8	44° 30.8E					11.2k	Recip Co to 199	
	09:21	R	74° 41.45	44° 28.7E	1h 54	176	18 VP			Commence recovery V.P. at 2kt	
LY88620 12/8/86	12:37	L	74° 41.65	44° 31.32E					2	In at 2kt for V.P.	Good Tape A Tape B V
	12:53		74° 42.34	44° 28.0E					11.0	235m out	
	15:00								11.0		
	18:00								11.1		
	21:00								11.2		
13/8/86	00:00								11.2		
	02:24						150			Slow to 3kt for V.P.	
02:38	R	76° 00.02	37° 01.12	1h 01	138	VP					
LY88621 13/8/86	08:40	L	75° 59.08	37° 04.8E					4kt	190m at 15m.min ⁻¹	Good Tape A Tape B V
	09:02		75° 59.59	37° 00.6					4kt	Surface pay out again	
	09:13	A/C							4kt	Att to recip Co. 310	
	09:28	R	76° 00.26	37° 00.4	0h 48	3	VP		4kt		

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LY88622 13/8/86	15:16 15:30 17:00 19:39 19:53	L R	76° 04.6	37° 11.5E			V.P. 47 V.P.		3.5 9.5 11.0 11.1	Pay out 150 at 15 mi ⁻¹ Full speed strain on 200 out Slow to 4 for V.P.	good
LY88623 14/8/86	07:27 07:35 09:03 09:20	L R	74° 21.17	30° 4.7					10.1 10.4 10.6	Full speed Strain on 210m out Slow to 4 for V.P.	good
LY88624 14/8/86	13:45 13:58 16:00 17:35 17:45	L R	74° 16.78	29° 12.66			V.P. 37		3.5 7.5 11.0 11.3 11.4	150 mct 15 m. mi ⁻¹ full V.P. Strain on full speed Undulations slow from 54 mi ⁻¹ → ~7 mi ⁻¹ Tow aborted	good
LY88625 15/8/86	07:18 07:28 09:52 10:34 10:49	L R	73° 18.3	18° 52.7E					11.5 11.4 11.2 11.1	In water at full speed → 200m Slow to 4 for V.P.	good
LY88626 15/8/86	14:29 14:57 15:00 15:14 15:50	L R	73° 03.2	16° 46.3E			VP F.D		4 4 4 4 6	In water pay out 180 at 4 kt On surface again Pay out 100 at 15 mi ⁻¹ on surface Increase to 6 kt Fixed depth 2m	good
LY88627 16/8/86 16/8/86	19:23 19:31 20:00 20:00 08:00 10:52	L R	73° 16.5	15° 39.0					4 kt 11 11 10.8 11.5	In at 4 kt → full Pay out 200 Strain on 200 out Slow to 4 kt for V.P.	good
LY88628 16/8/86 17/8/86	15:00 15:11 18:00 22:00 00:00 04:00 08:34 08:50	L R	75° 04.9	08° 11.0E			VP 128 VP		4 11 4 kt	In at 4 kt for V.P. full speed → 195m	Tape A ✓ Tape B ✓ Tape C ✓

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LY88629 17/8/86	12:44 13:08 13:10 13:21 14:27	L R	77° 43.85'	01° 38.0E			V.P. F.D. 16		3.5 3.5 6 11	V.P. 150m at 15 mi ⁻¹ + recover to surface 4m out Full speed; 200/220/150m out	good
LY88630 17/8/86	20:08 20:15 20:35 20:45	L R	76° 46.6'	01° 10.2W					11 11 11	Launch at full speed 200 out; strain on fog + ice; about for commence recovery	good
LY88631 18/8/86	08:13 08:24 10:00 10:37 10:59	L R	75° 44.5'	03° 54.8W					11.3 11 11.2 11 4	Launch at full speed 200 out; strain on Slow to 4 kt for V.P.	Good
LY88632 18/8/86	14:09 14:24 16:00 18:00 19:33 19:42	L R	75° 19.81'	03° 56.17W			V.P. 62		4 10.3 11.1 11.5 11.3 4	Pay out 210m at 15 mi ⁻¹ 210 out → full Slow to 4 kt for recovery	Take A X Take B V
LY88633 19/8/86	08:23 08:30 10:30 10:49	L R	72° 15'N	03° 12.14W					6 11.6 11.3 3	Launch at 6 kt → full 210m out at full Slow to 3 kt for V.P.	Take A pan Take B V
LY88634 19/8/86	13:54 14:10 17:00 19:45 19:58	L R	71° 51.12'	03° 06.65W			V.P. 65		4 21.2 11.2 11.4	V.P. at 4 kt Pay out to 245 → full Reducts 8/4 for recovery	Good Take A V Take B V
LY88635 20/8/86	08:19 08:27 10:42 11:03	L R	68° 54.2'	00° 38.3E					10.8 10.8 10.7 4	full speed 10-8 kt 215m out Slow to 4 kt for recovery	Good Take A V Take B V
LY88636 20/8/86	13:07 13:20 16:00 18:00 18:10	L R	68° 30.23'	01° 02.44E			V.P. 48		4 10.8 10.7 11.1	V.P. at 4 kt Strain on; 205 out; full speed commence recovery	Good Take A V Take B V
LY88637 21/8/86	10:12 10:25 12:00 14:33 14:42	L R	66° 41.68'	04° 07.82E			V.P. 36		4 9 10.5 10.8	V.P. at 4 kt 205 out strain on → full	Good

