

PAG 2020 spring meeting

# CHINARE 11 plan — Xuelong 2 Arctic cruise

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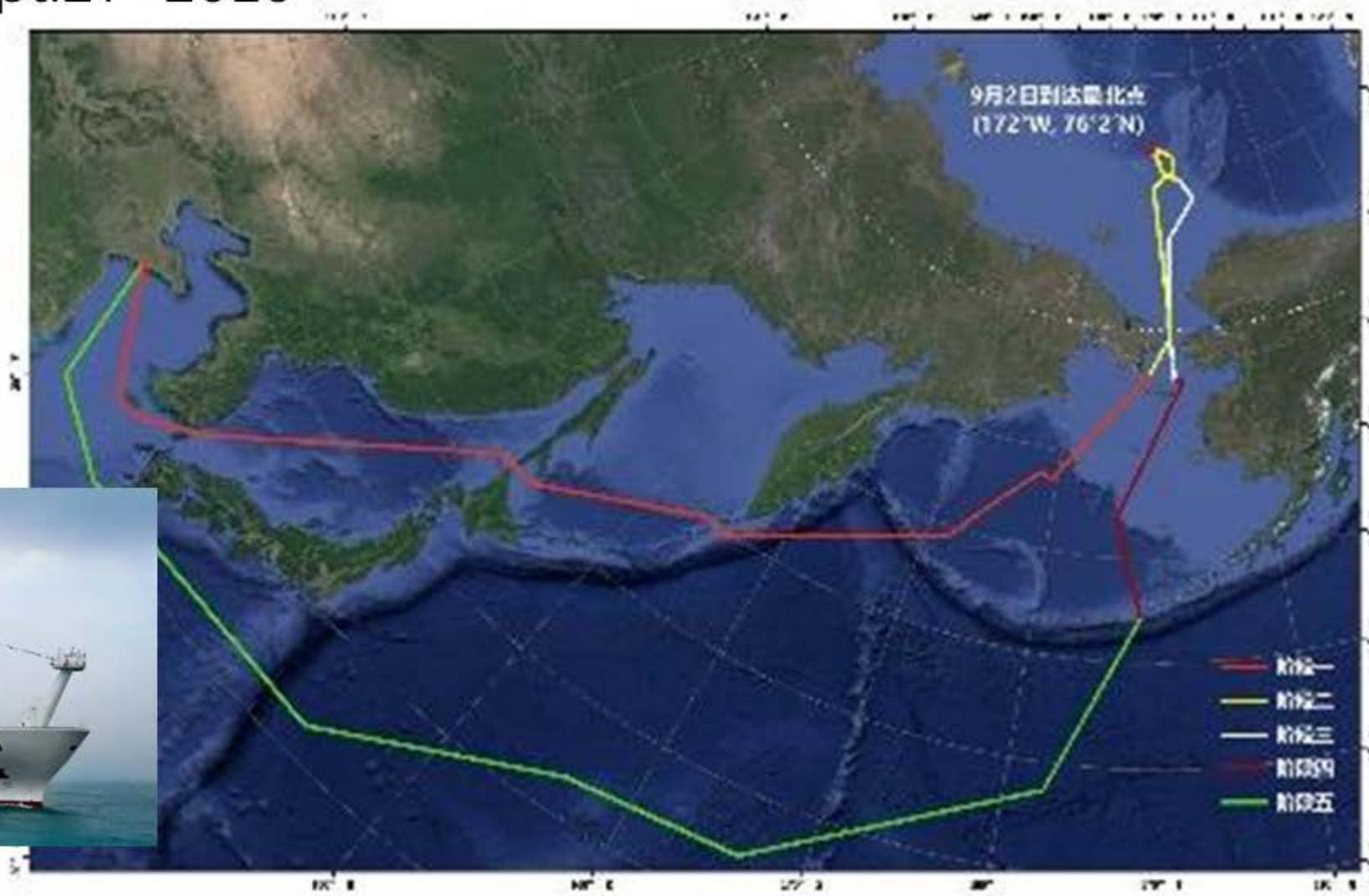


CHINARE 10 in 2019

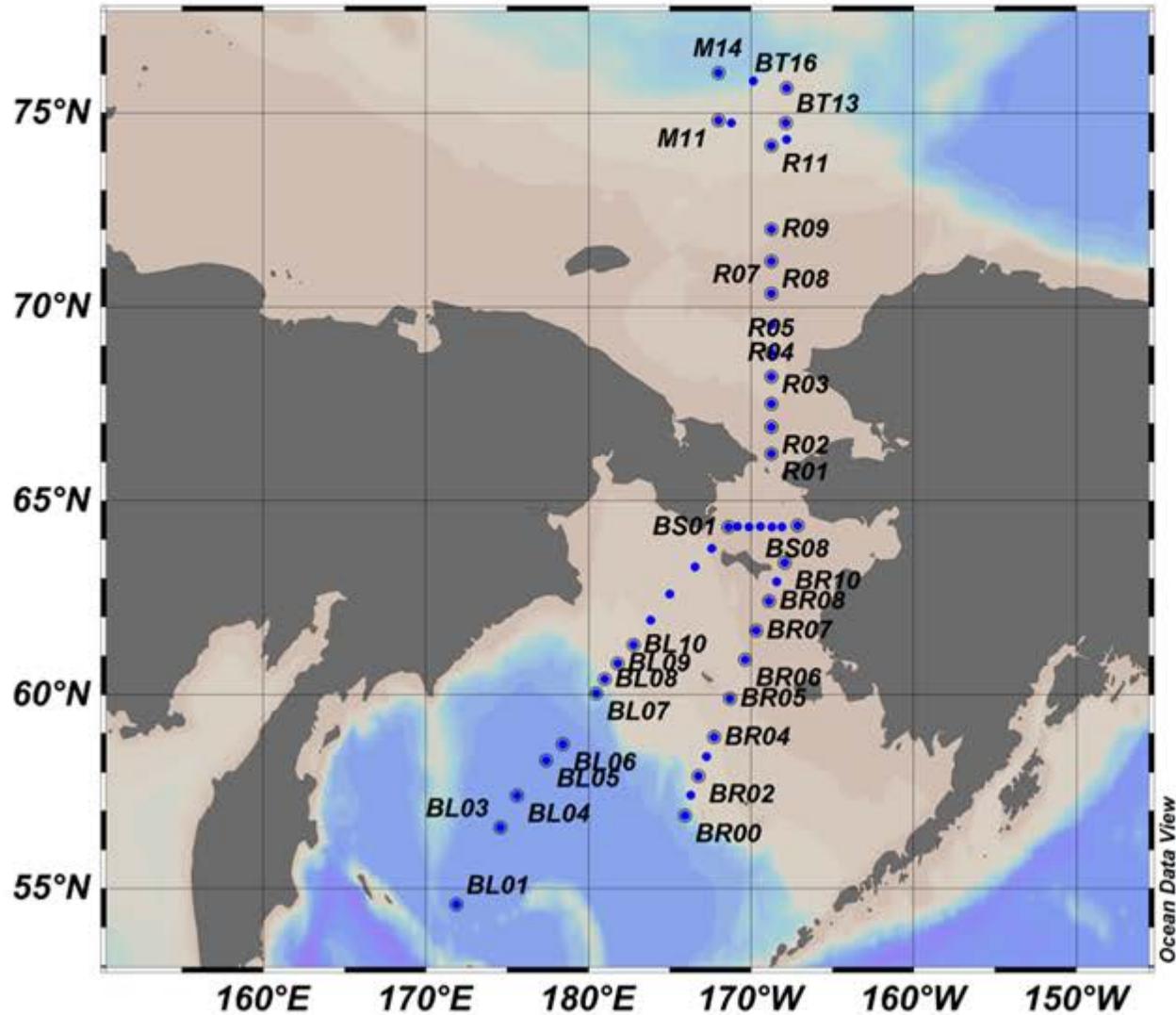
# 1. CHINARE 10

✓ 13 Institutes 44 Scientists+ 34 Crews

✓ Aug.10~Sept.27 2019



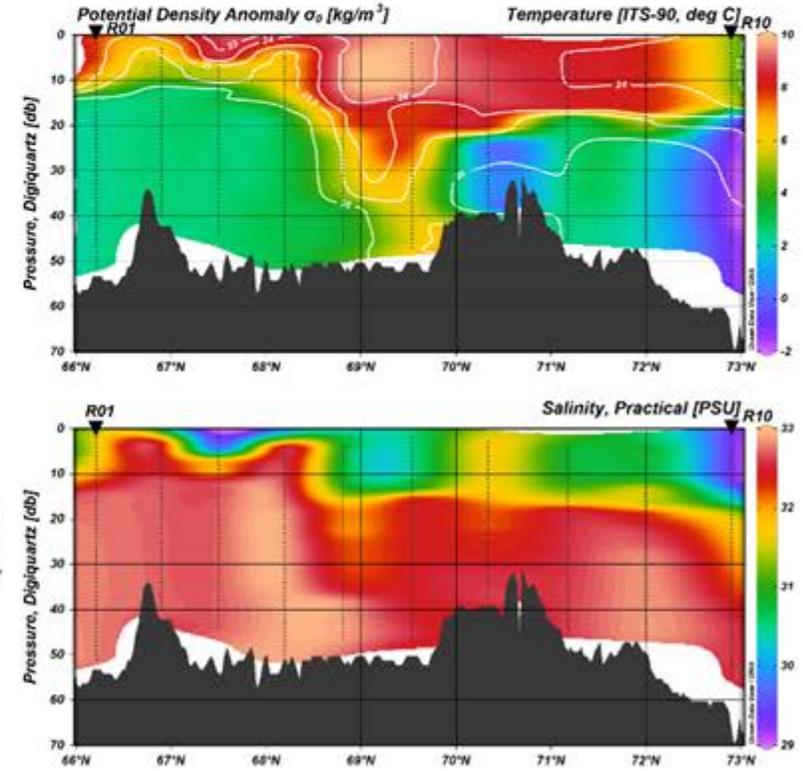
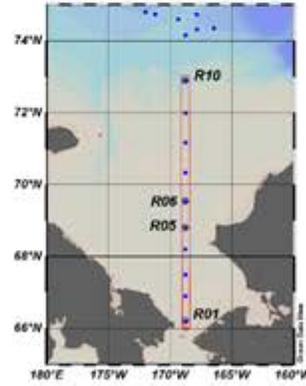
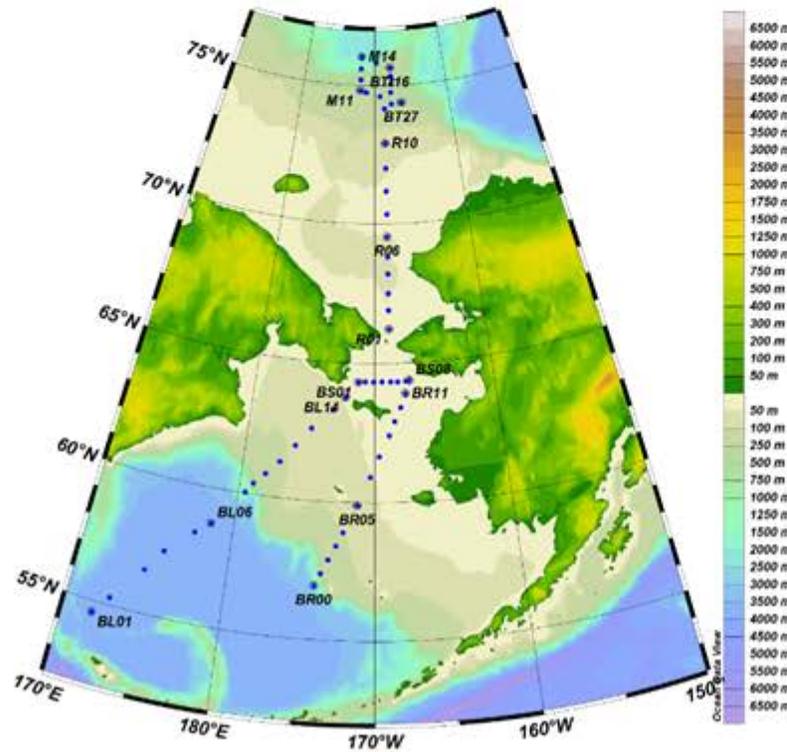
## 2. Stations



✓ 58 CTD stations

# 5. Physical Oceanography

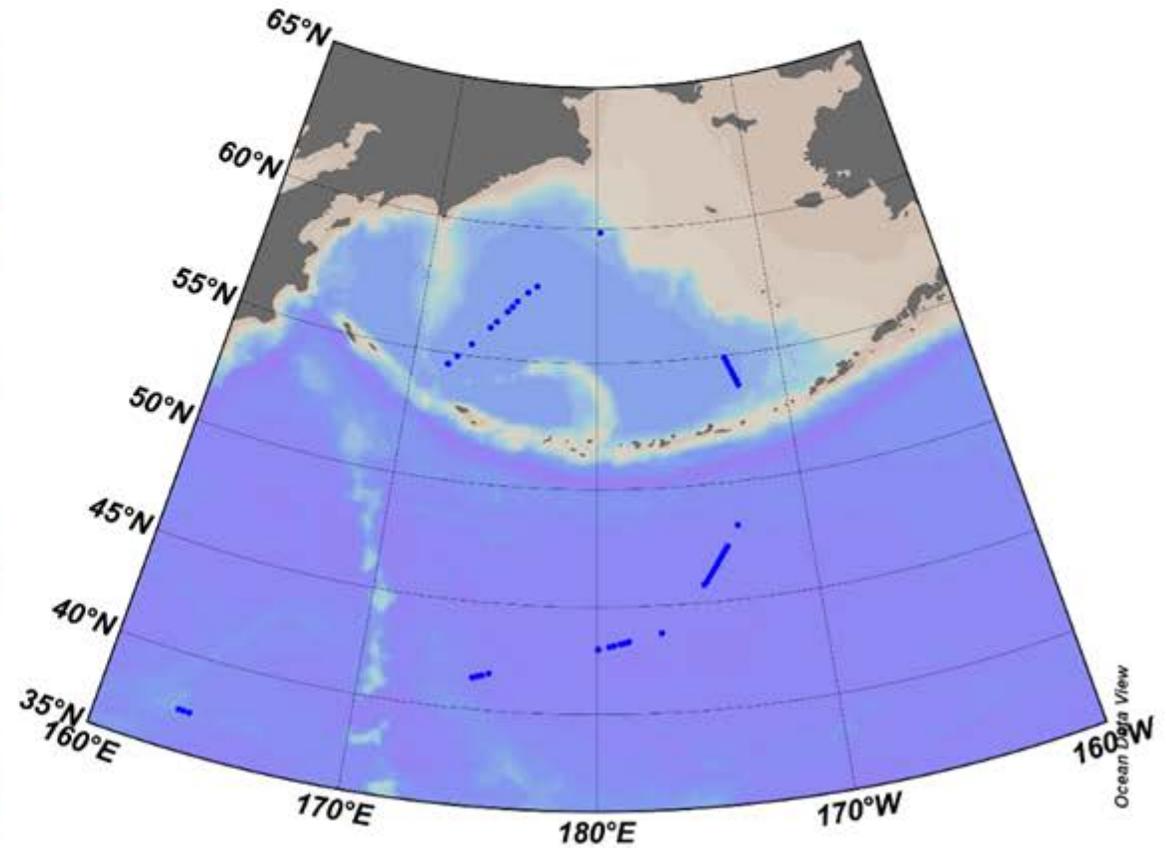
(1) CTD/LADCP/SVP: 6 Transects, 58 Stations.





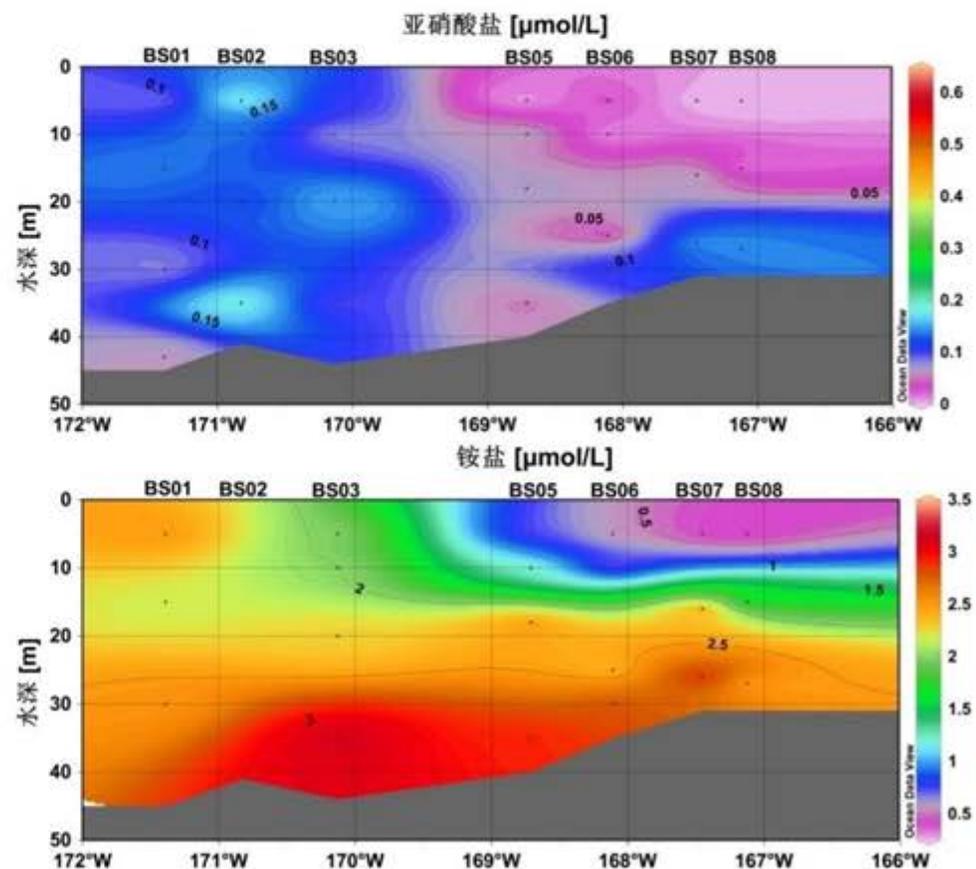
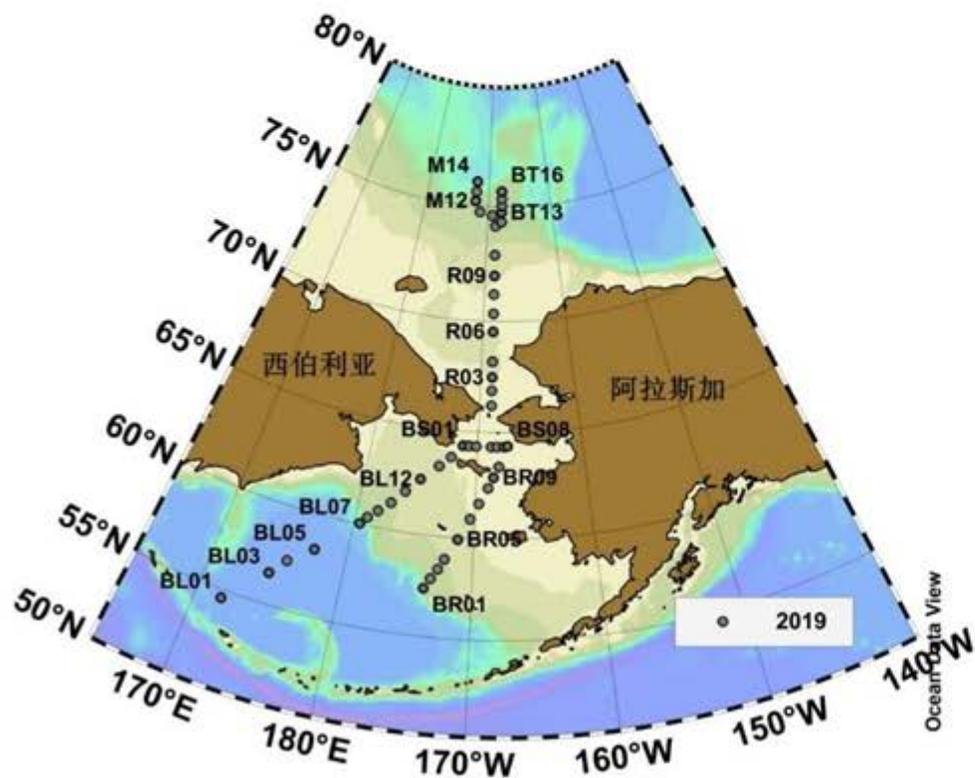
# 5. Physical Oceanography

(3) XCTD 18, XBT 36, Argos 3



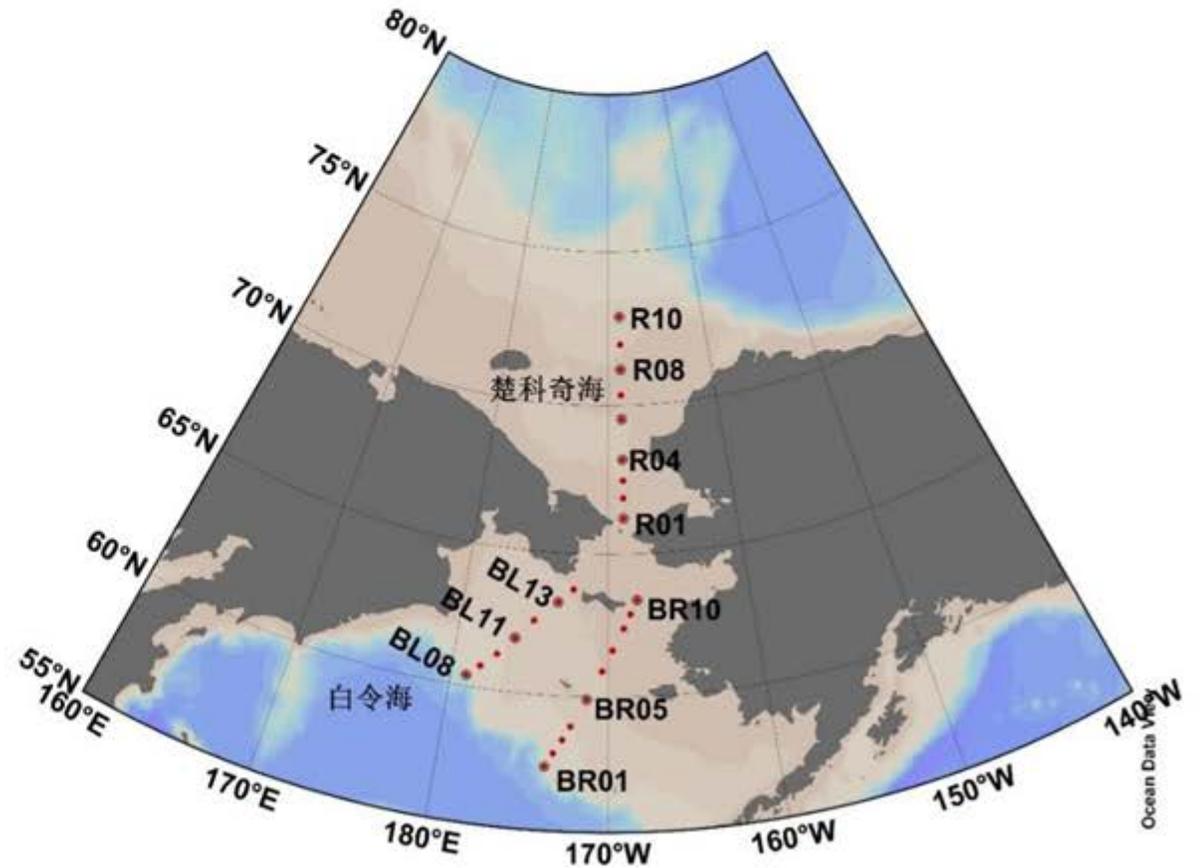
# 6. Chemical Oceanography

(1) Sea water sampling: 50 stations (nutrients, DIC, DOC, POC, DMS)



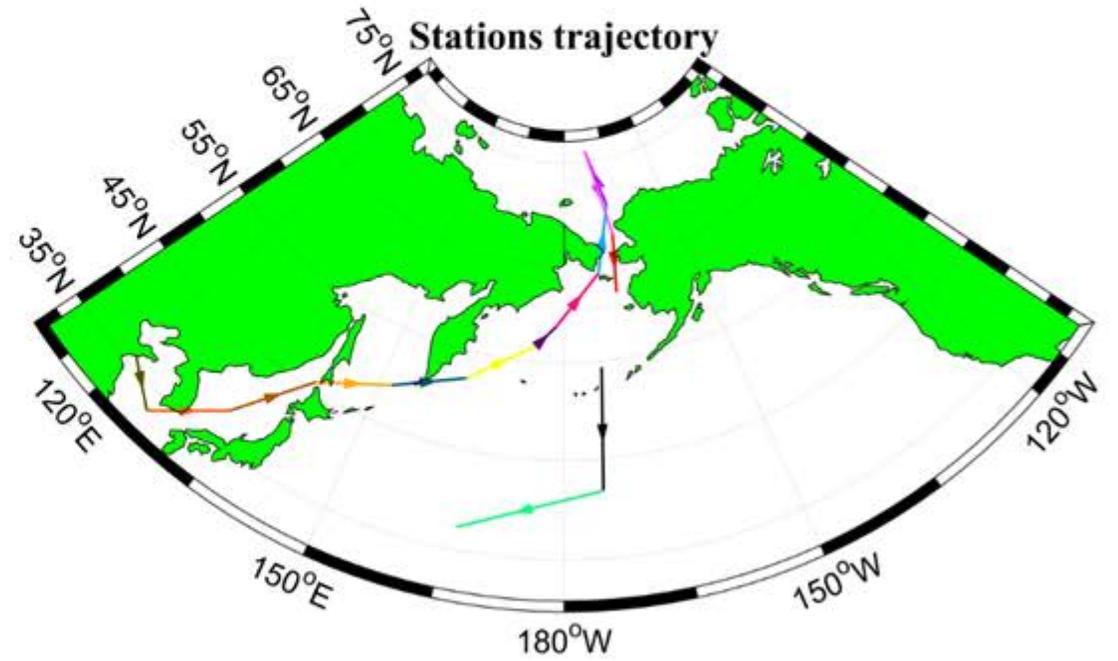
# 6. Chemical Oceanography

(2) Sediment sampling: 27 stations



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(3) Aerosol sampling: 14



# 6. Chemical Oceanography

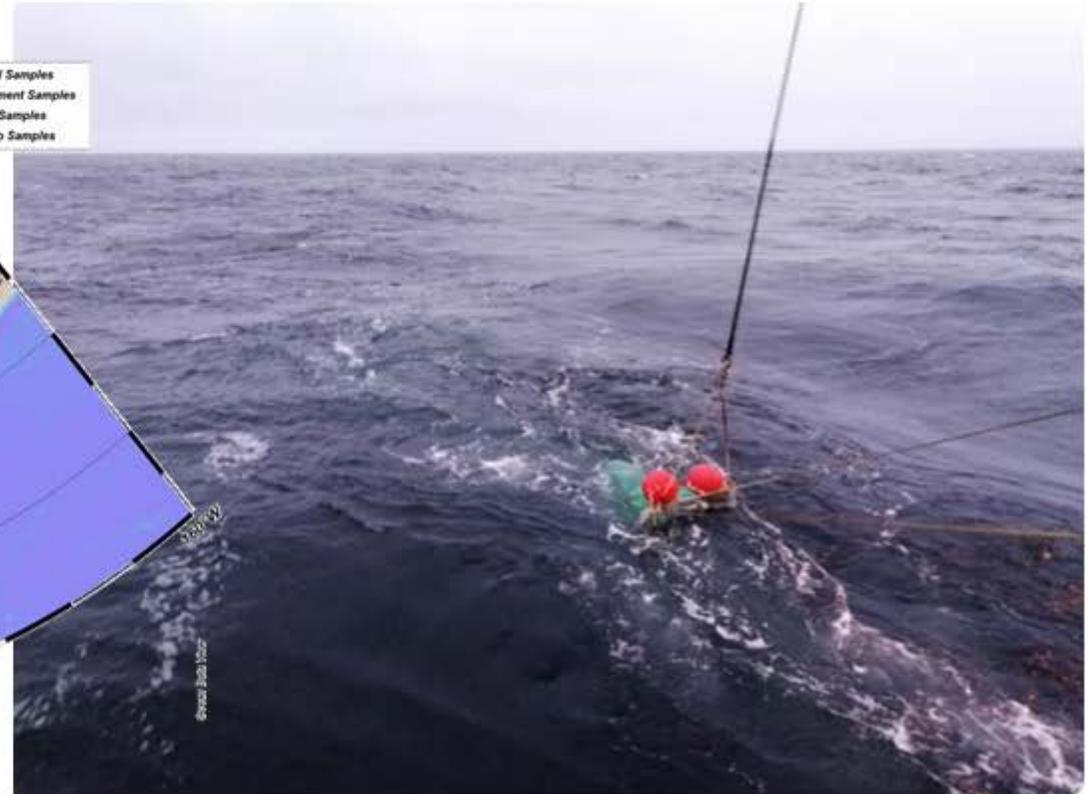
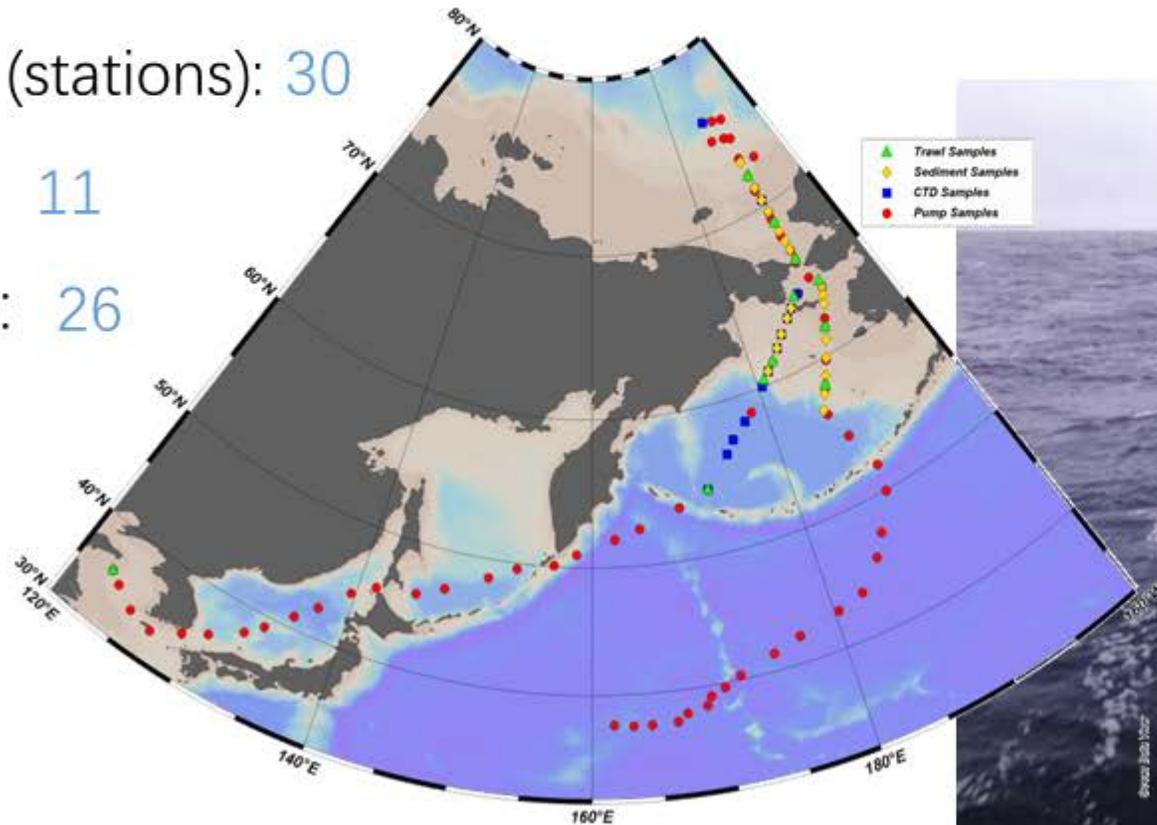
(4) Microplastic:

Sea water (surface) : 67

Sea water (stations): 30

Net trawl: 11

Sediment: 26



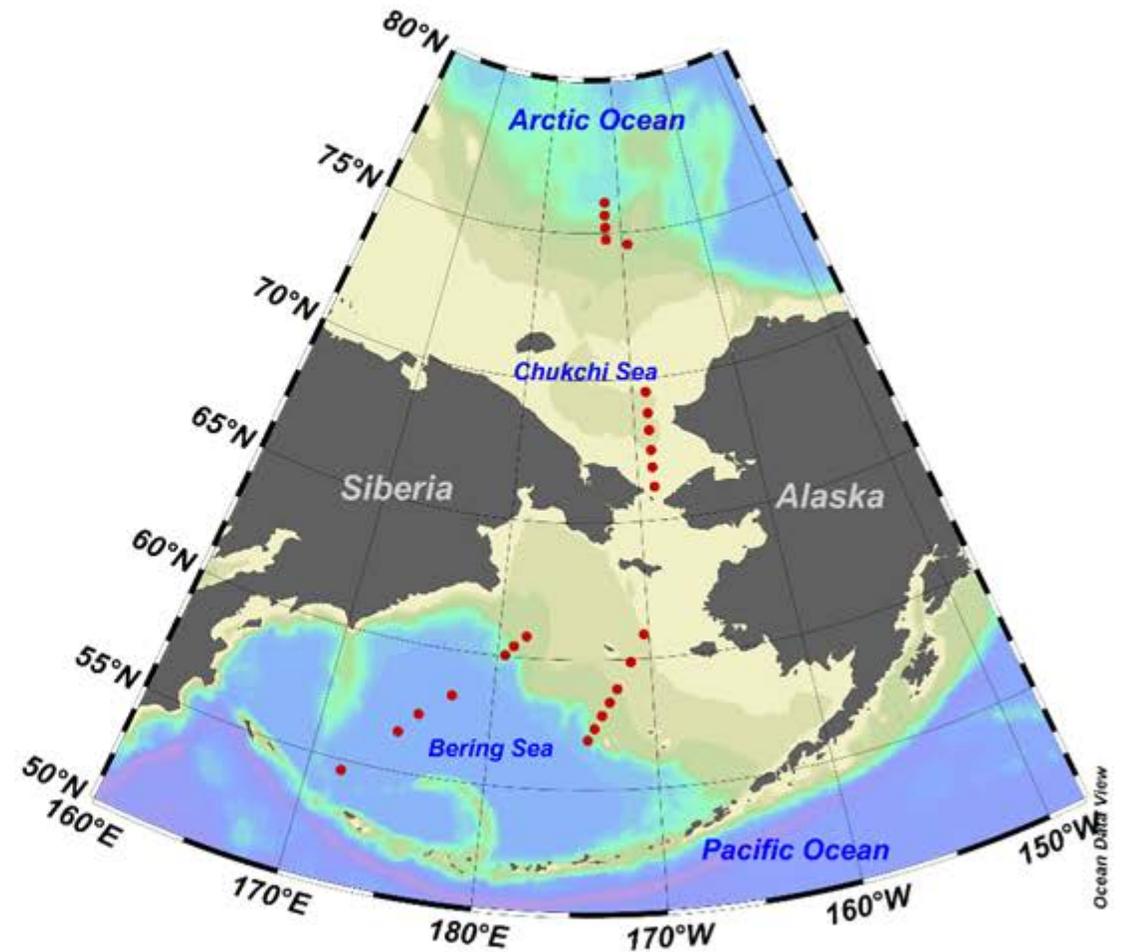
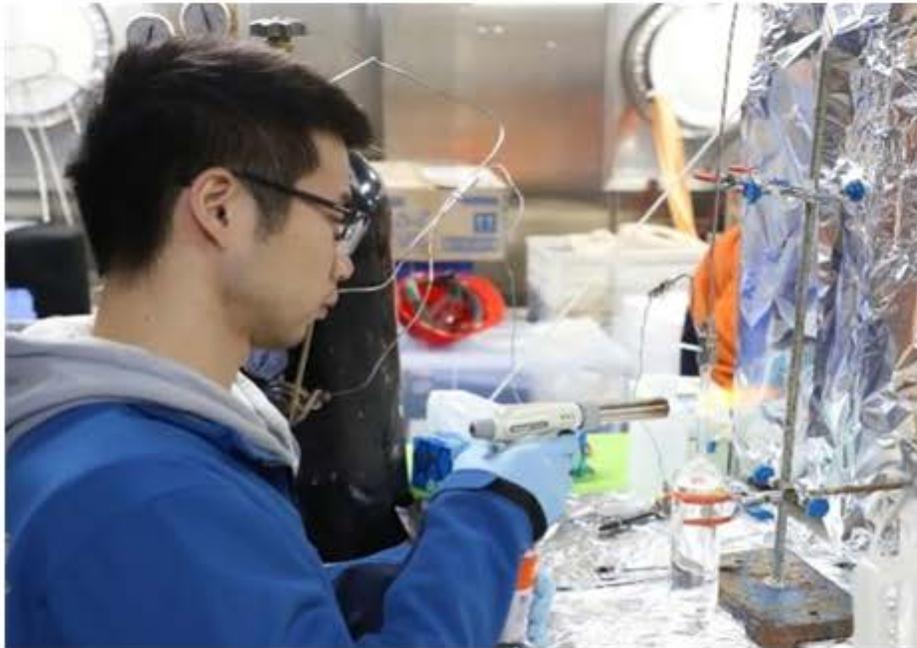
## 6. Chemical Oceanography

(5) Organic pollutant sampling:

POPs water samples: 13 stations

POPs sediment samples: 17 stations

CFCs/SF<sub>6</sub> water samples: 25 stations

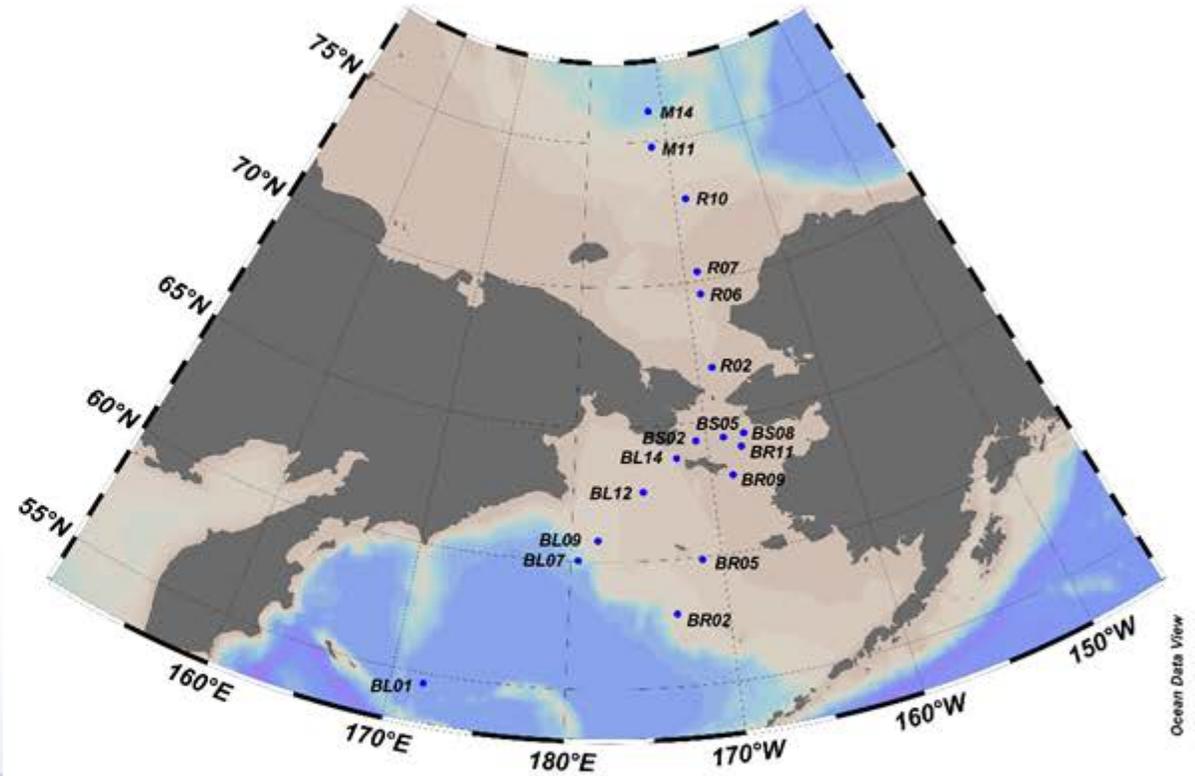


# 7. Biological Oceanography

(1) Vertical trawl:

Phytoplankton: 18

Zooplankton: 18



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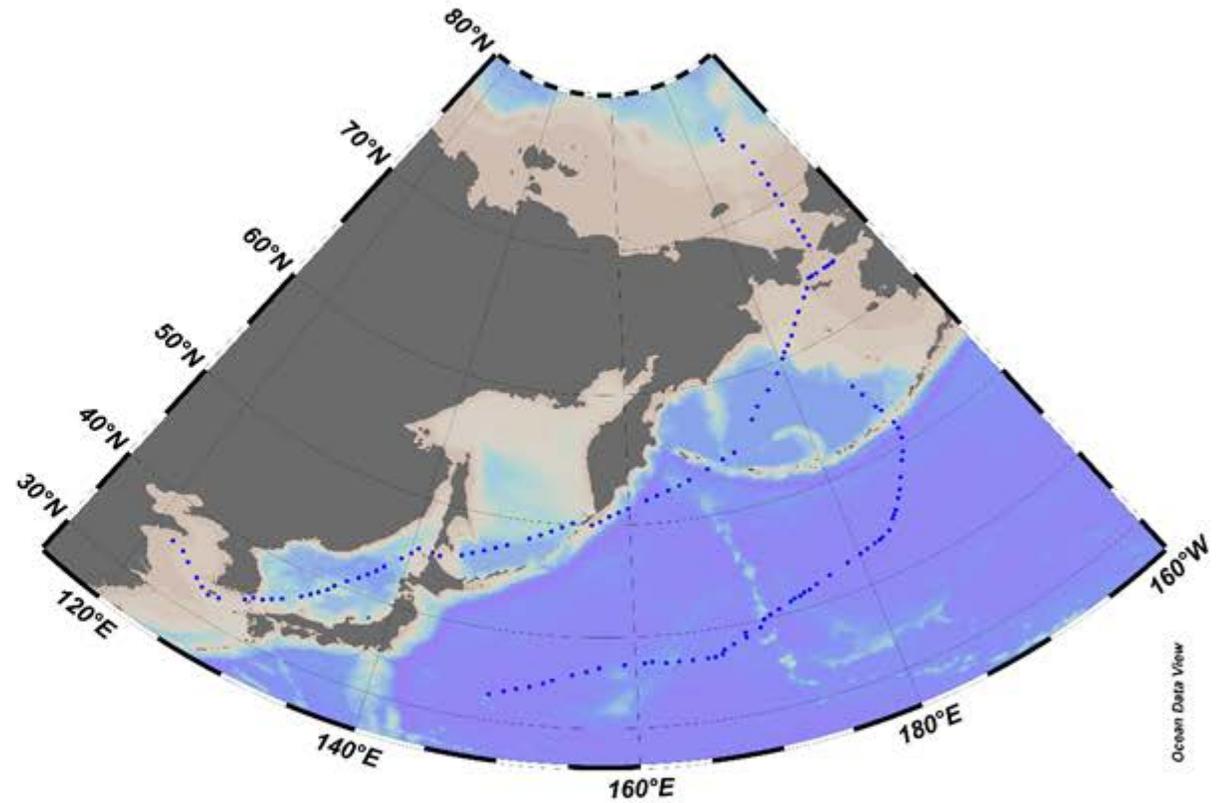
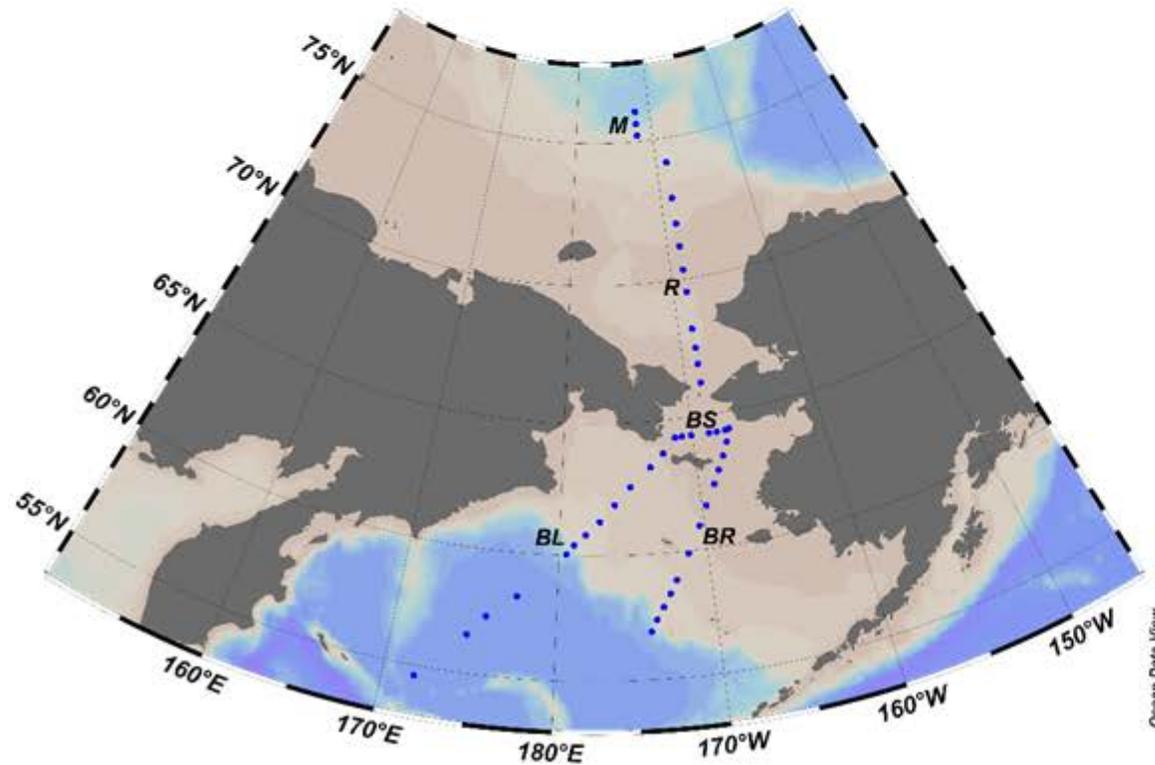
(2) Benthic sampling:

26 stations



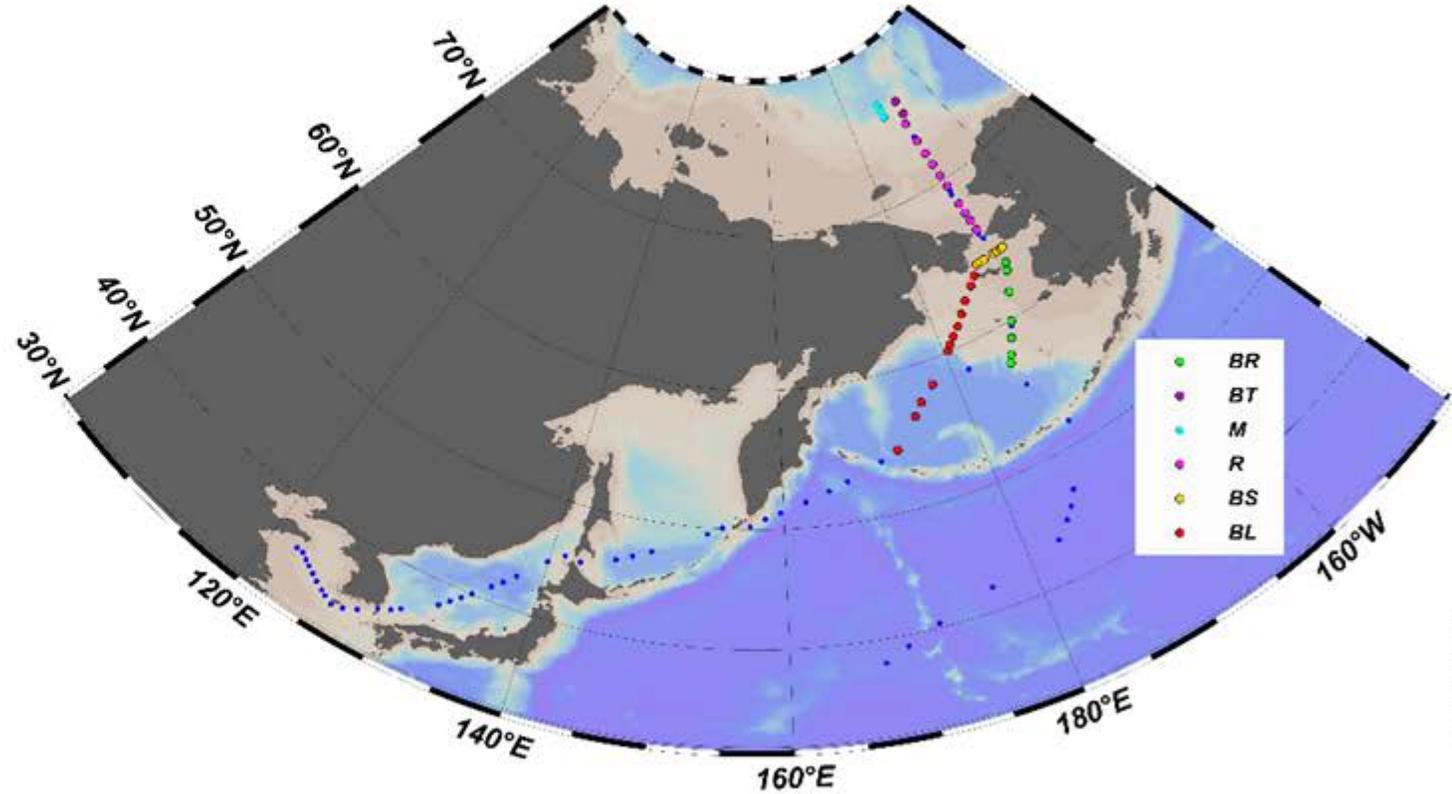
# 7. Biological Oceanography

(3) Microzooplankton  
sampling : 44 stations



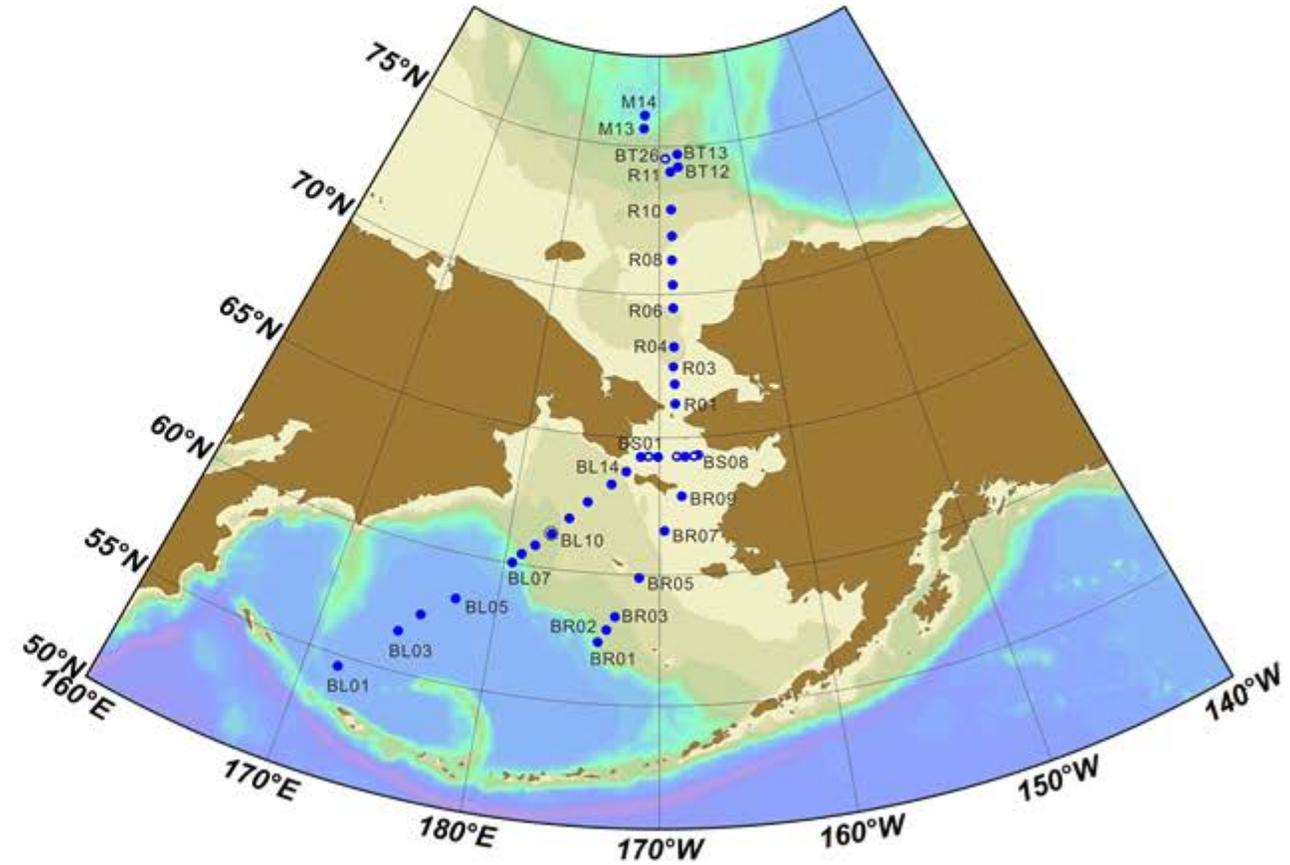
# 7. Biological Oceanography

(4) Chlorophyll : 248 samples



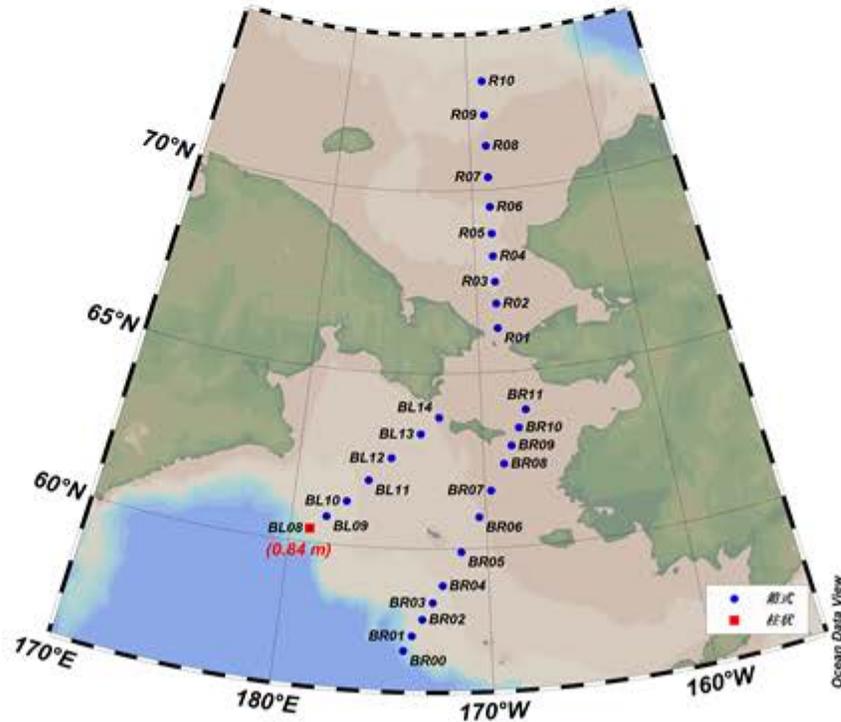
# 7. Biological Oceanography

(5) Microbial biodiversity: 40 stations



# 8. Marine geology

Sediment sampling: 29 stations



CHINARE 11 in 2020



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XUE LONG 2

CHINA

# **CHINARE 11 Legs:**

✓ **Leg 1: 1<sup>st</sup> July \_\_ 27<sup>th</sup> July**

**Shanghai-Northeast Passage-Tromsø**

✓ **Leg 2: 30<sup>th</sup> July \_\_ 21<sup>st</sup> Aug.**

**Tromsø-ice station(MOSAiC)-Kirkenes**

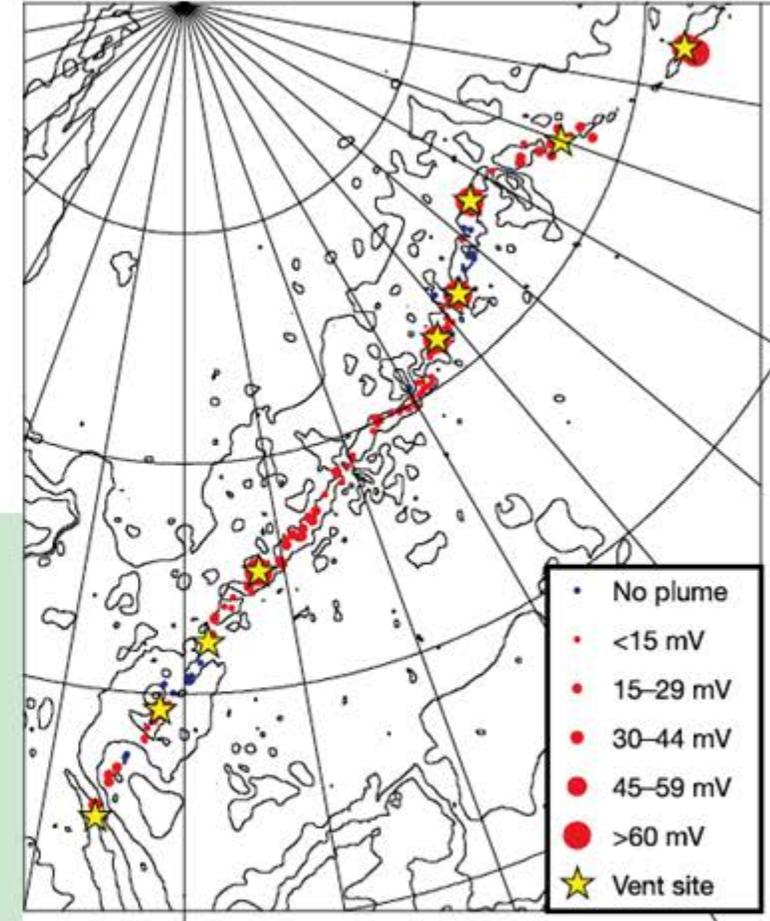
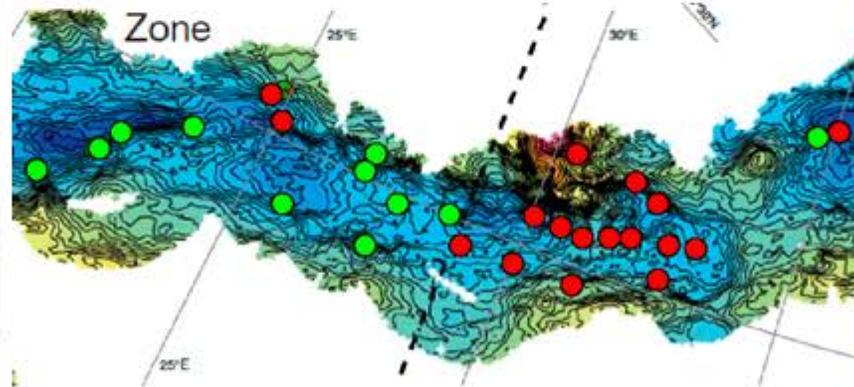
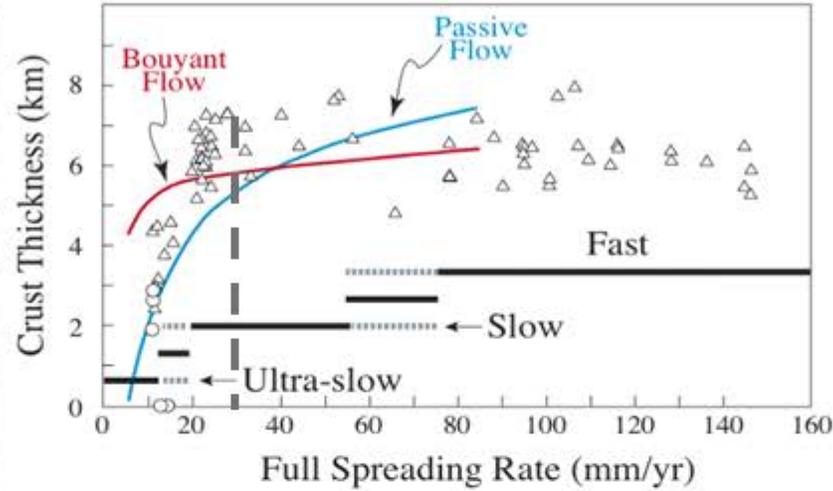
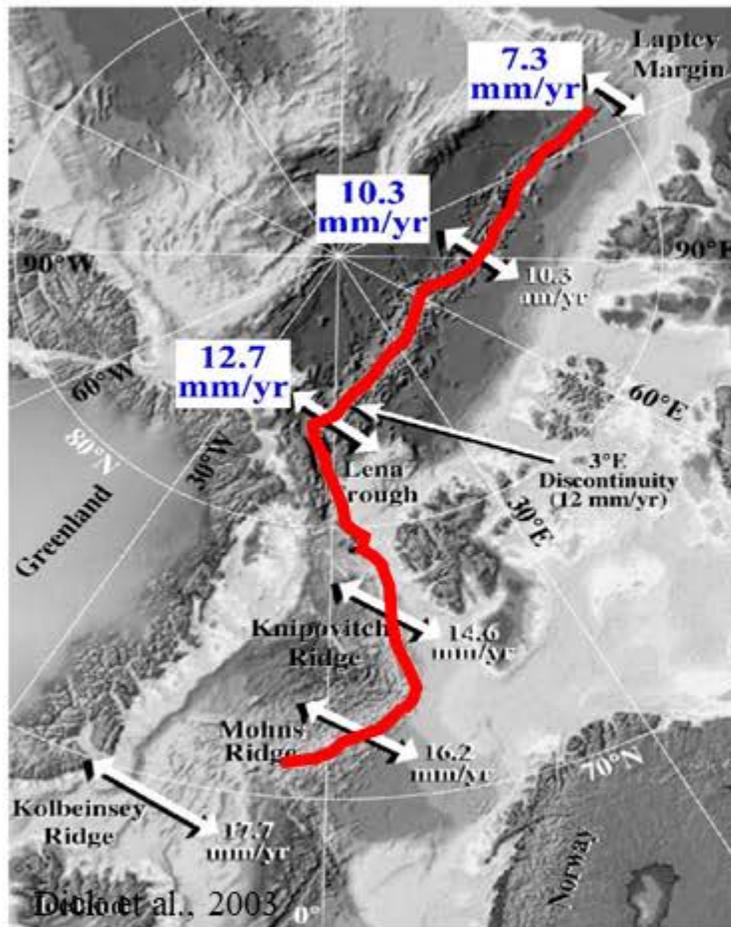
✓ **Leg 3: 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug. \_\_ 30<sup>th</sup> Sept. (opening cruise)**

**Kirkenes-Central AO-Shanghai**

# **Main tasks:**

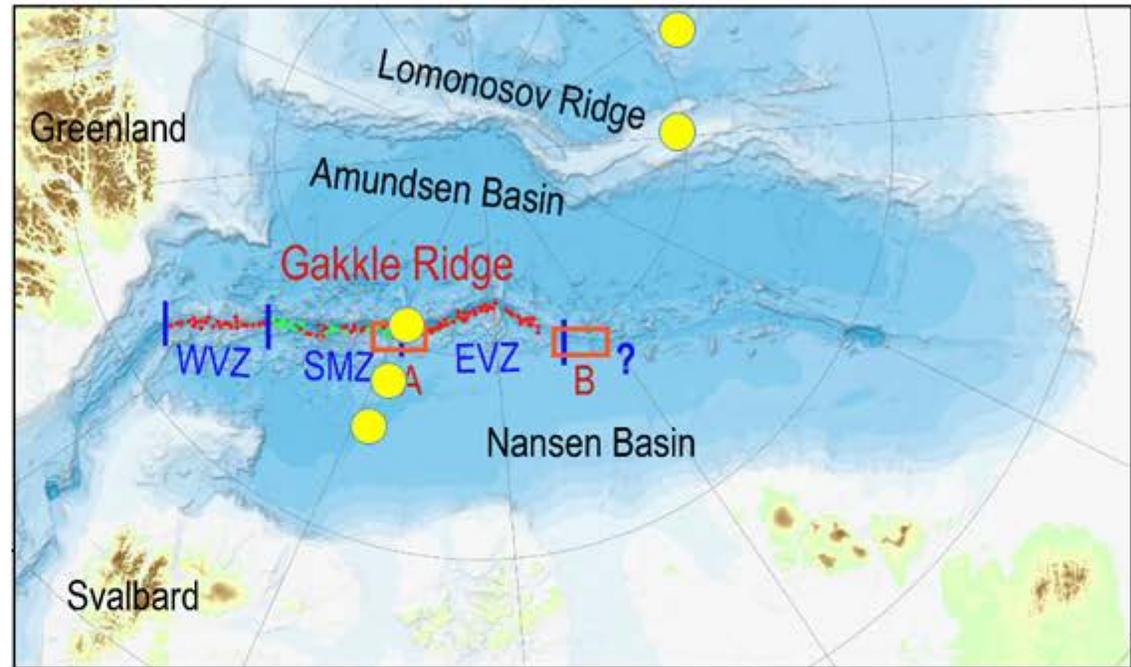
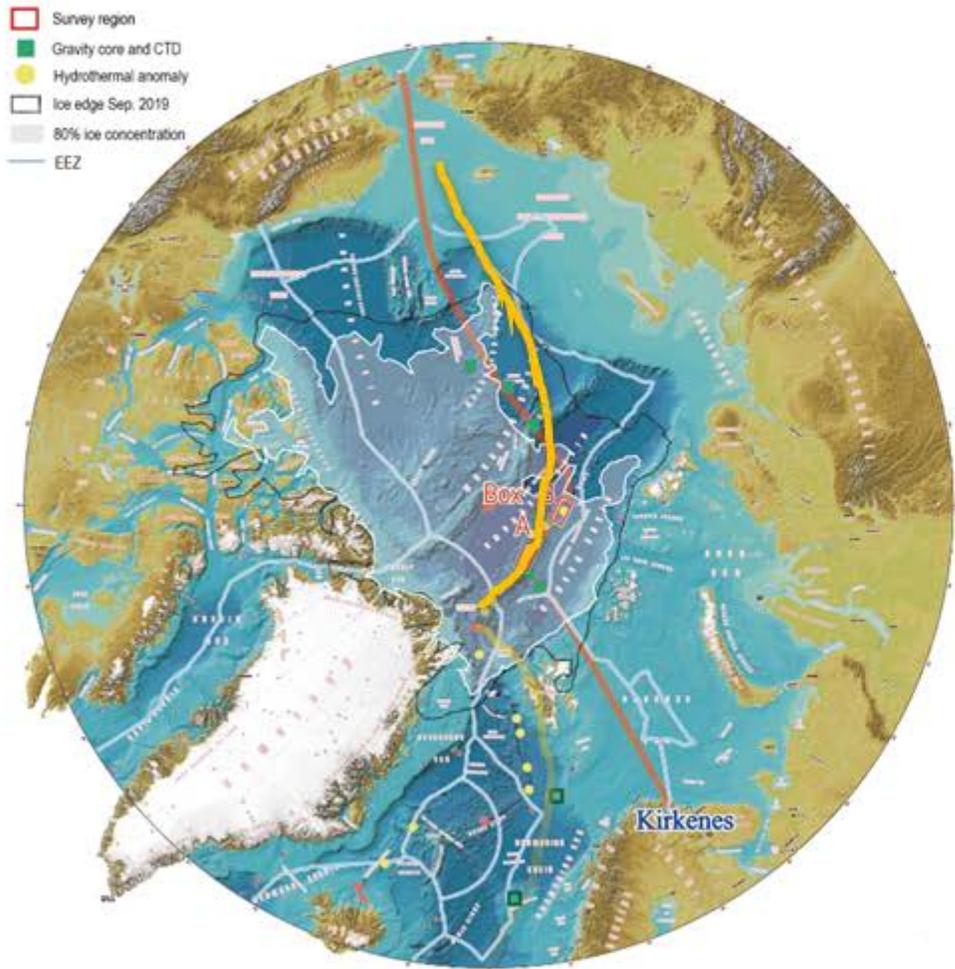
- ✓ **To support MOSAiC**
- ✓ **To Carry out Gakkel 2020 project (opening cruise)/**  
**To support SAS**

# Gakkel Ridge: the slowest MOR



The morphology, lithospheric structure, composition, tectonic behaviors, and hydrothermal activities are unique at the ultraslow spreading Gakkel Ridge

# Gakkel 2020 project!



Leg 3 of the 11<sup>th</sup> Chinese Arctic expedition  
23<sup>th</sup> Aug.----30<sup>th</sup> Sep., 2020  
Kirkenes----Shanghai

Geophysics survey; Hydrothermal exploration; Geological sampling, and CTD

# Scientific objective 1: Define the “Hess” crust



**Penrose model:** Geology; Petrology;  
Seismic wave; Density; Magnetization

“The oceanic crust seemed to be dramatically thinner than along the rest of the global midocean ridge system. The crust was so thin, in fact, that the very concept of a “crust” had to be called into question.” (Snow and Edmonds, 2007)

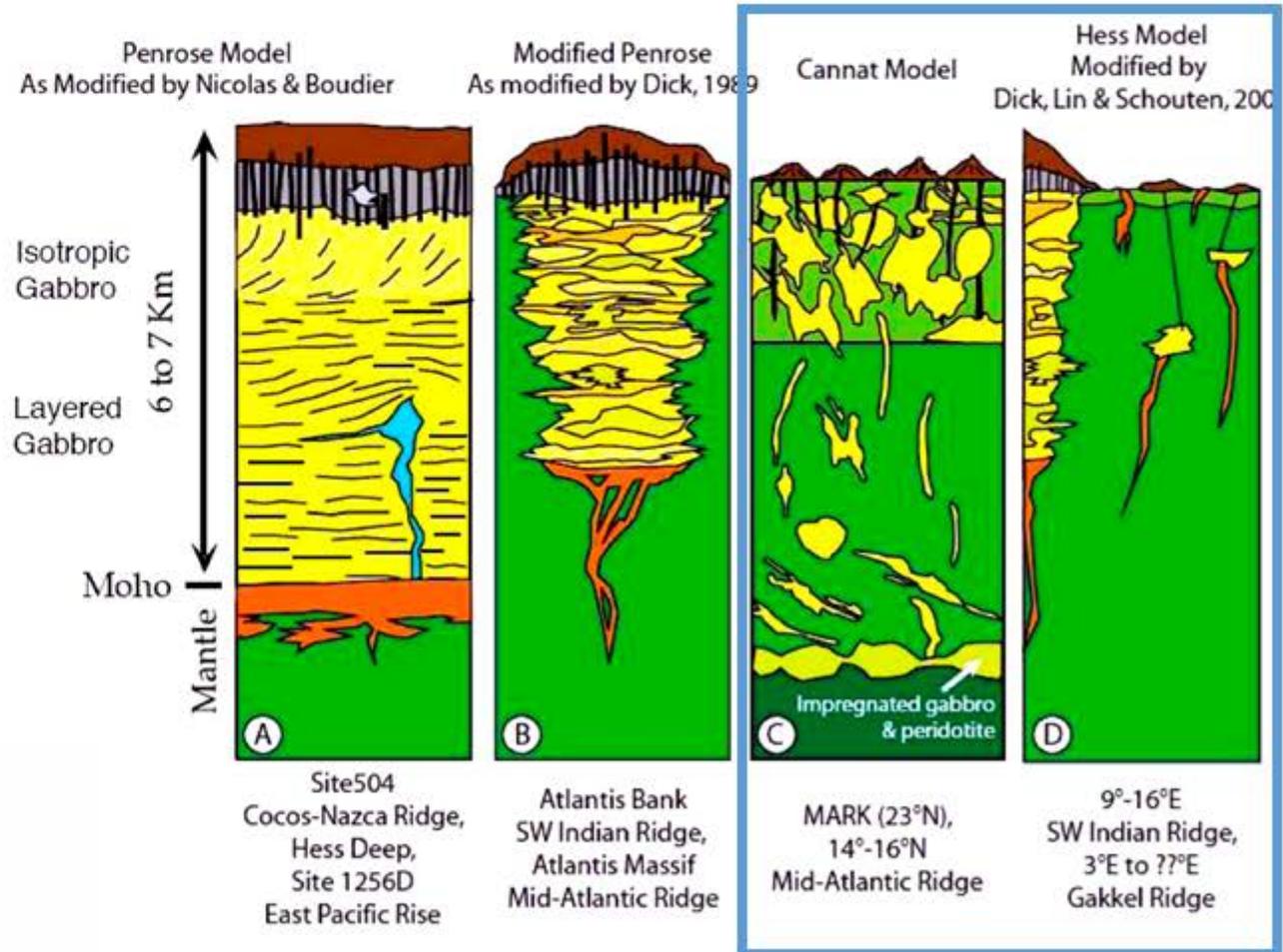
**“Hess crust”:**

what is the extent and volume of serpentized peridotites?

what is the configuration of melts and serpentized peridotites?

how the melts transported along axis?

## Ocean Ridge Crustal Accretion Models

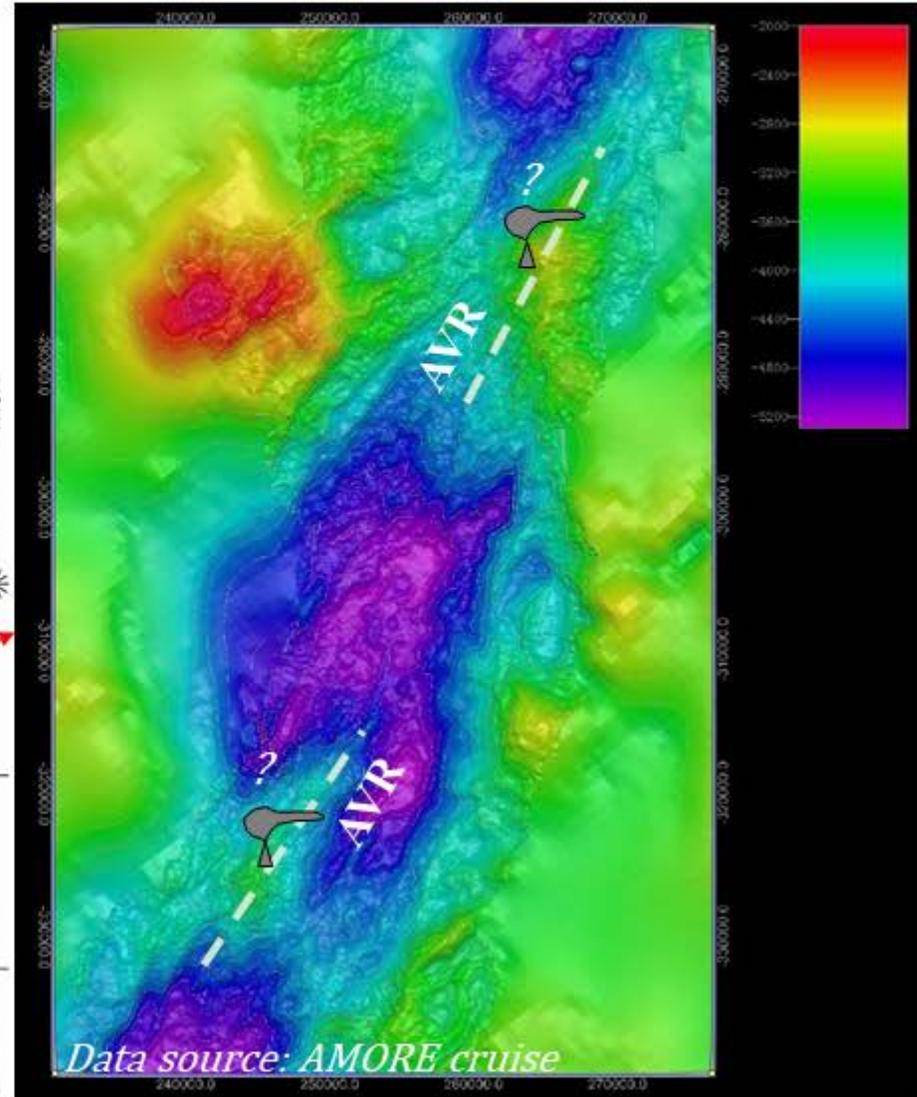
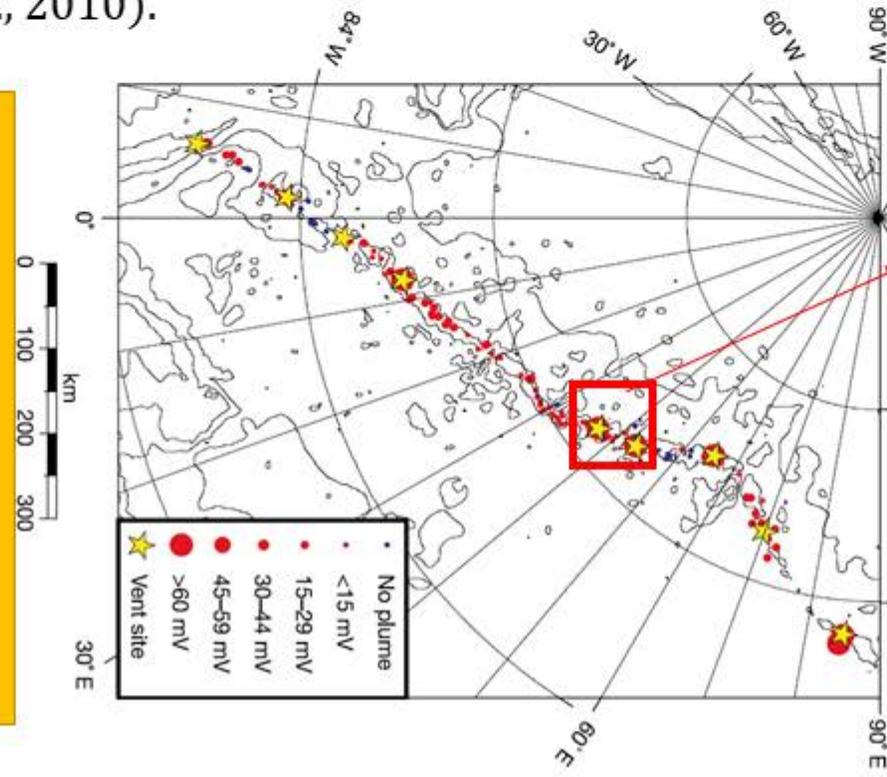


## Objective 2: To test the seafloor massive sulfide (SMS) deposit prediction model

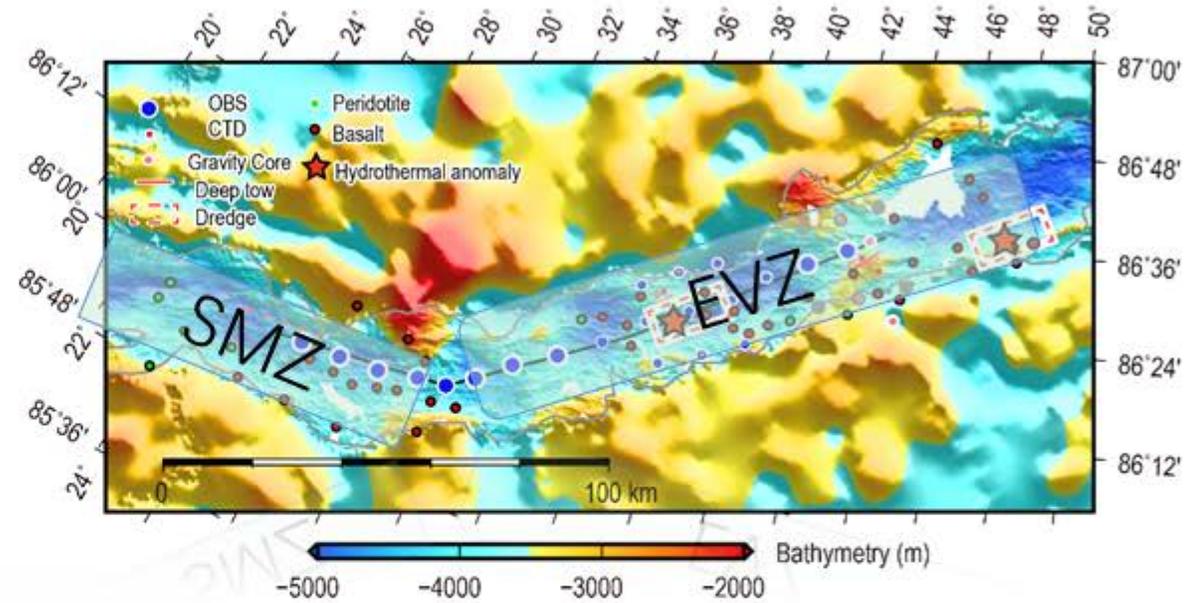
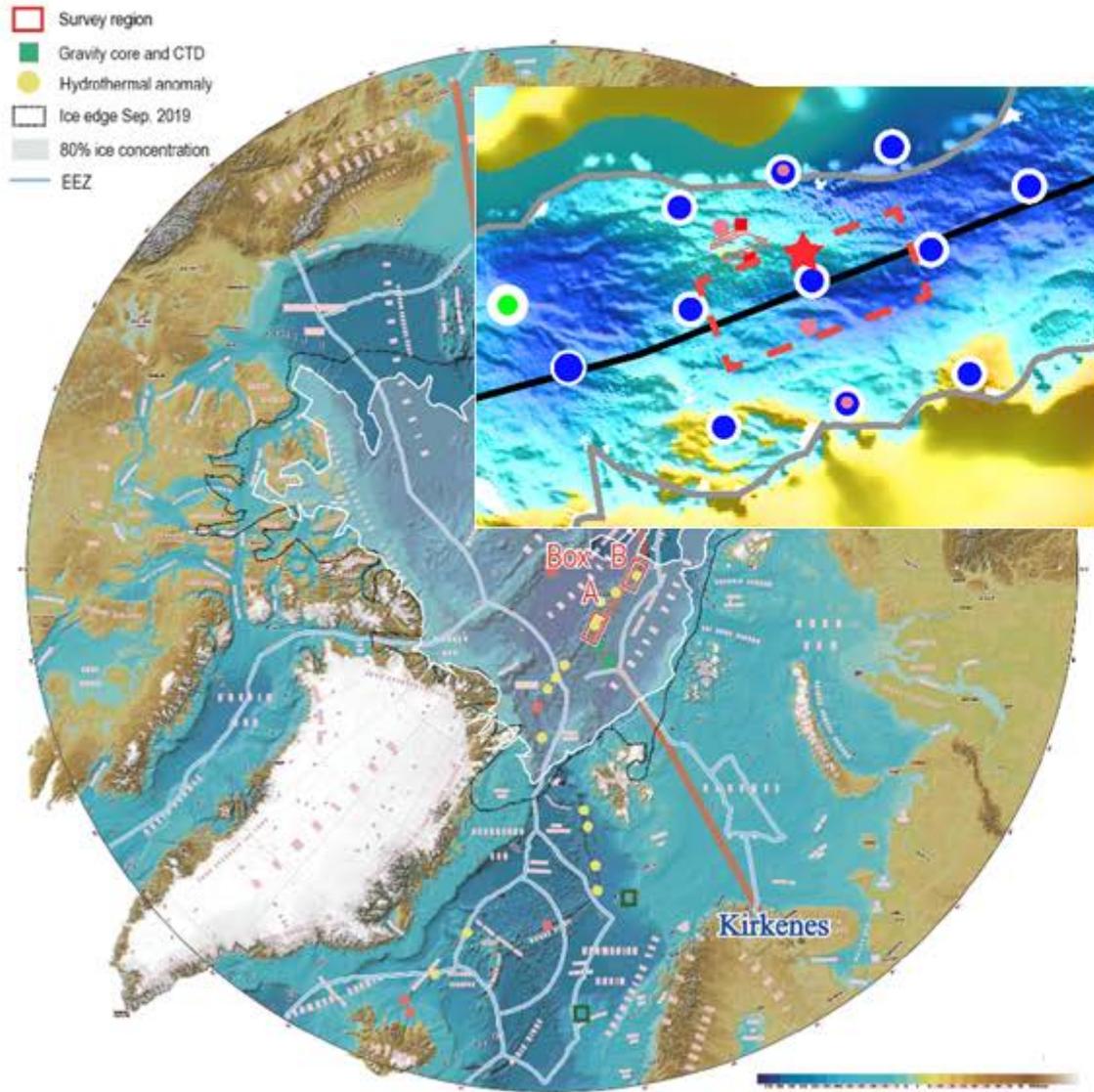
To date, only one seafloor massive sulfide (SMS) deposit (Aurora) and a number of hydrothermal plume sites were discovered on **axial neovolcanic highs** along the 2000 km long Gakkel Ridge (Edmond et al., 2003; Baker et al., 2004; Stranne et al., 2010).

Are AVR-related SMS deposits along the Gakkel Ridge larger and Cu-Au-rich?

What's the linkage between SMS deposits and "thin" ocean crust?



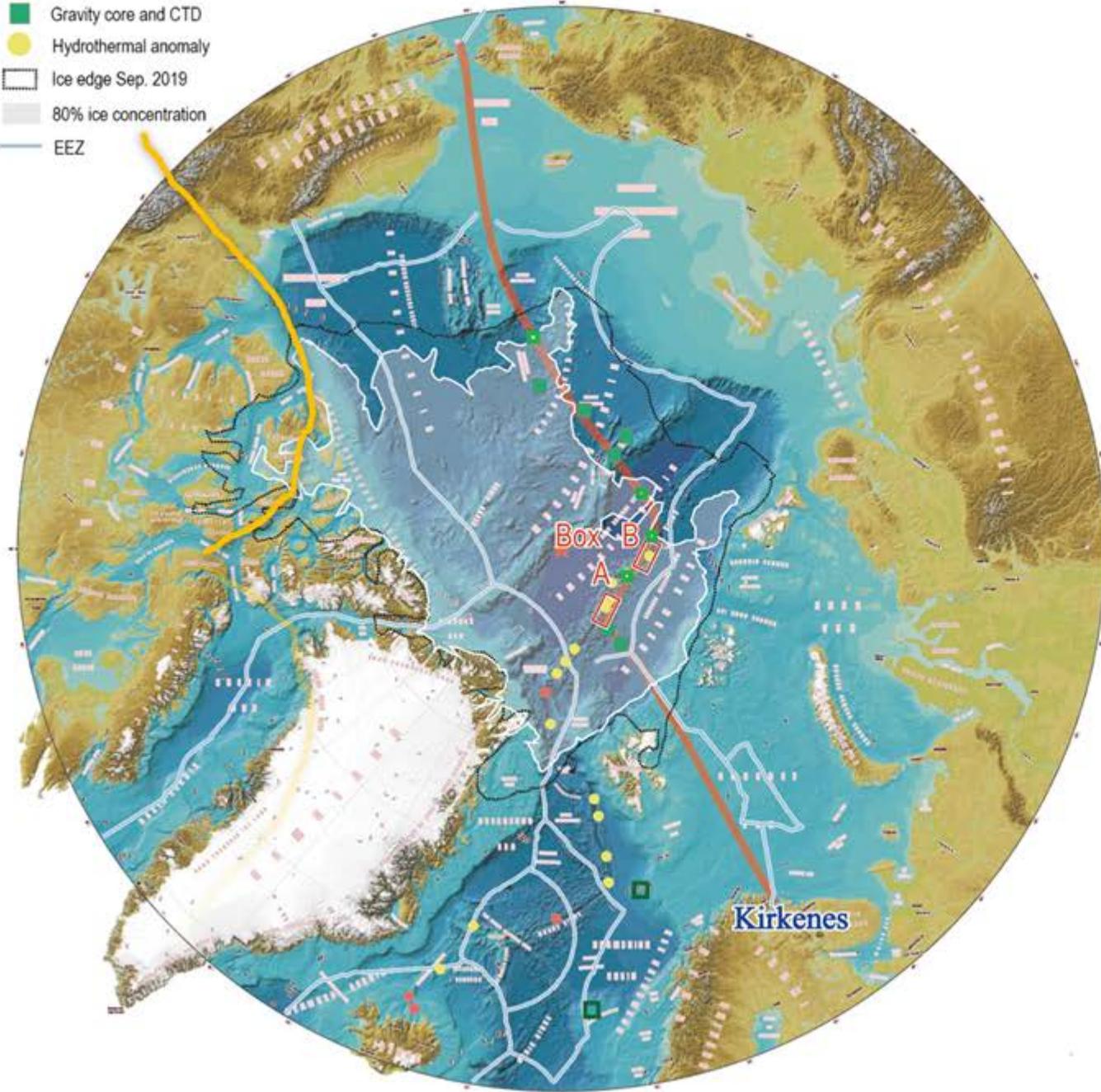
# Brief survey plan



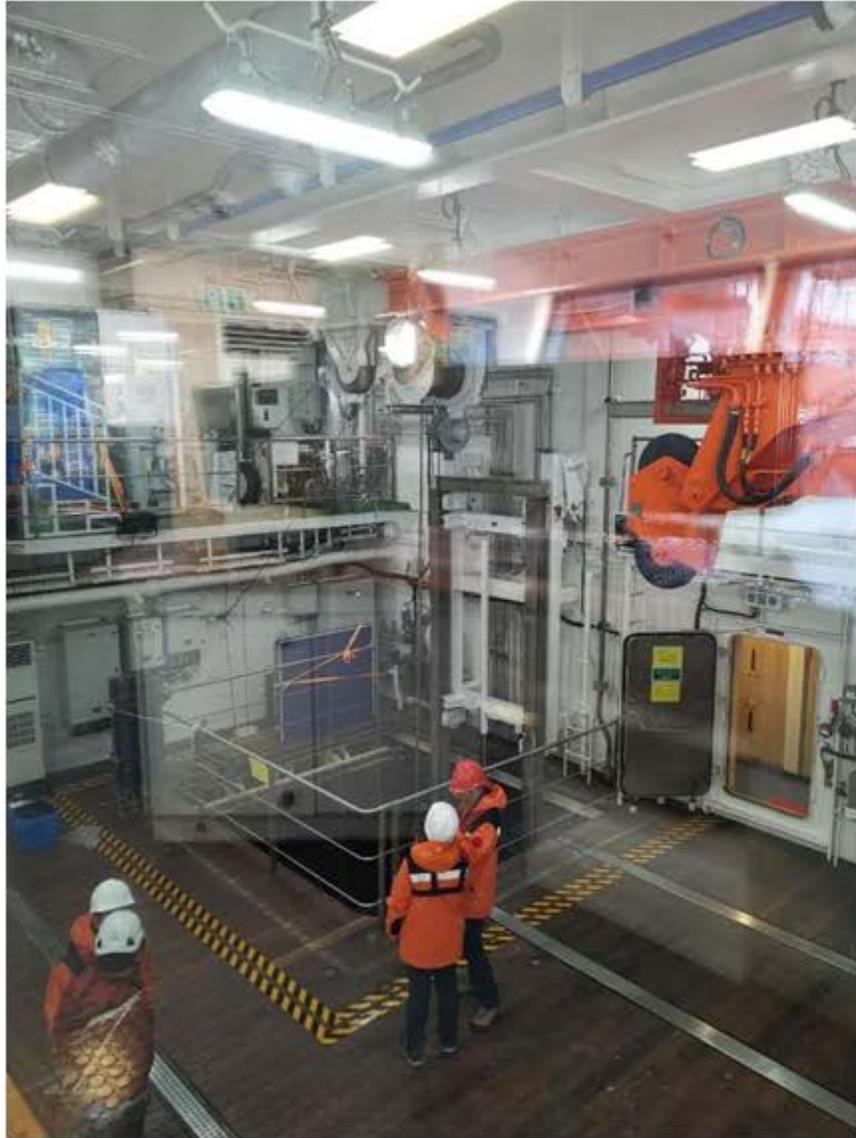
150 km profile, 22 OBSs, profile across axis?  
2 rock dredges; 2 TVGs, 1 GPC, 4 CTD

Another 6 gravity cores and CTD stations on the way  
across the Arctic

- Survey region
- Gravity core and CTD
- Hydrothermal anomaly
- Ice edge Sep. 2019
- 80% ice concentration
- EEZ



~10 CTD stations  
along the track  
(support the SAS)



Moon pool



Thanks!

