

# 2020 Korean Arctic Ocean Research Plan



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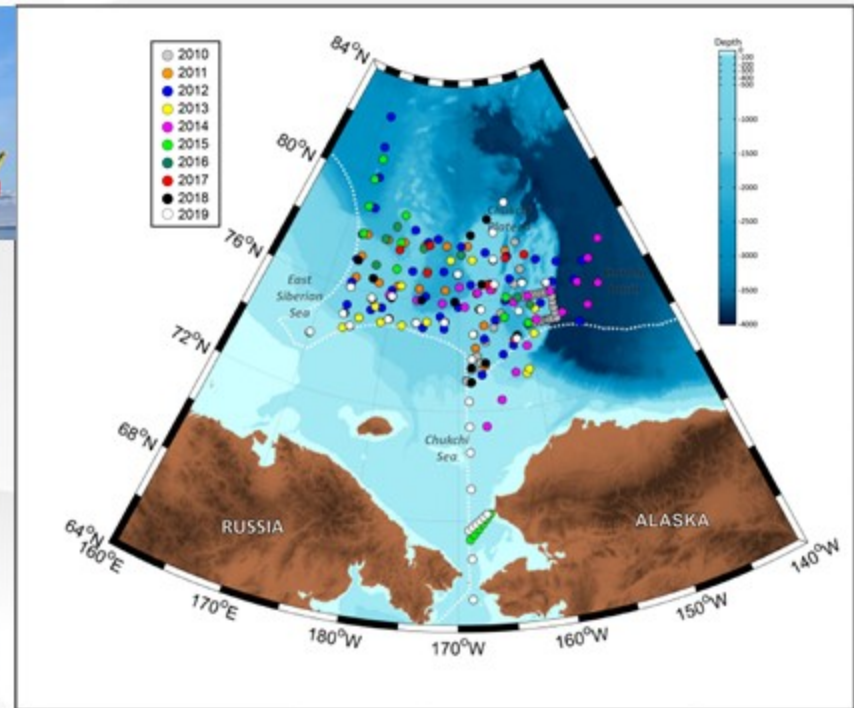
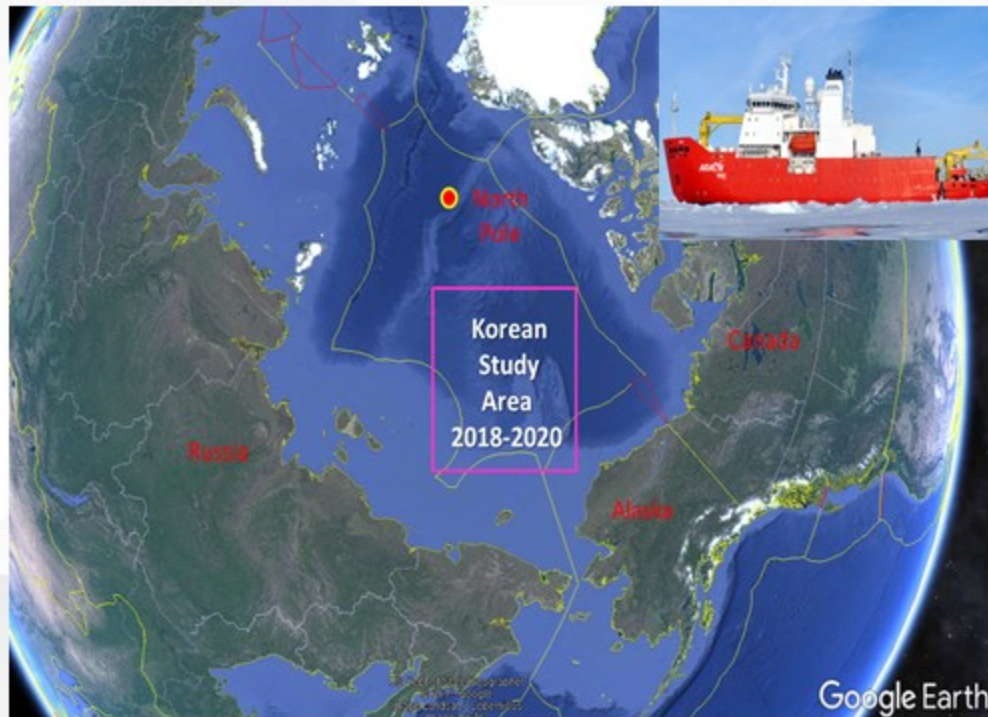
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# IB R/V ARAON Arctic Survey (2010~2019)

Long-term Observation Hot spot of Sea Ice Loss, Warming Atmosphere, and Changing Ecosystems in Pacific Arctic Region



We are collaborating closely with our partners in Pacific Arctic Group (PAG) to find synergies and joint activities to avoid overlapping efforts.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
CTD	38	18	44	16	32	42	34	35	25	34
XCTD	*	33	48	36	51	61	38	30	30	20
Period	07/20~08/10	08/02~08/16	08/04~09/06	08/24~09/01	08/01~08/23	08/01~08/21	08/05~08/21	08/06~08/24	08/04~08/25	08/03~08/26





# 2020 KOPRI Arctic Research activity

First Leg: 2020. 7. 24 ~ 8. 23

Second Leg: 2020. 8.25 ~ 9.20



# 2020 KOPRI Arctic Ocean Expedition (1<sup>st</sup> leg)

## ● Ocean-Sea Ice-Atmosphere Integrated Observations

### (Bering strait, Chukchi/East Siberian Seas of Pacific CAO)

- Korea Arctic Ocean Observing System (K-AOOS)
- Research on analytical technique for satellite observation of Arctic Sea ice (STAR)

## ● Aims of the cruise:

- To identify key environmental parameters (physical and biogeochemical) in rapid transition due to the sea-ice decrease in the Pacific Central Arctic Ocean (CAO) and predict environmental change patterns.
- To development of satellite-based sea ice change observation system

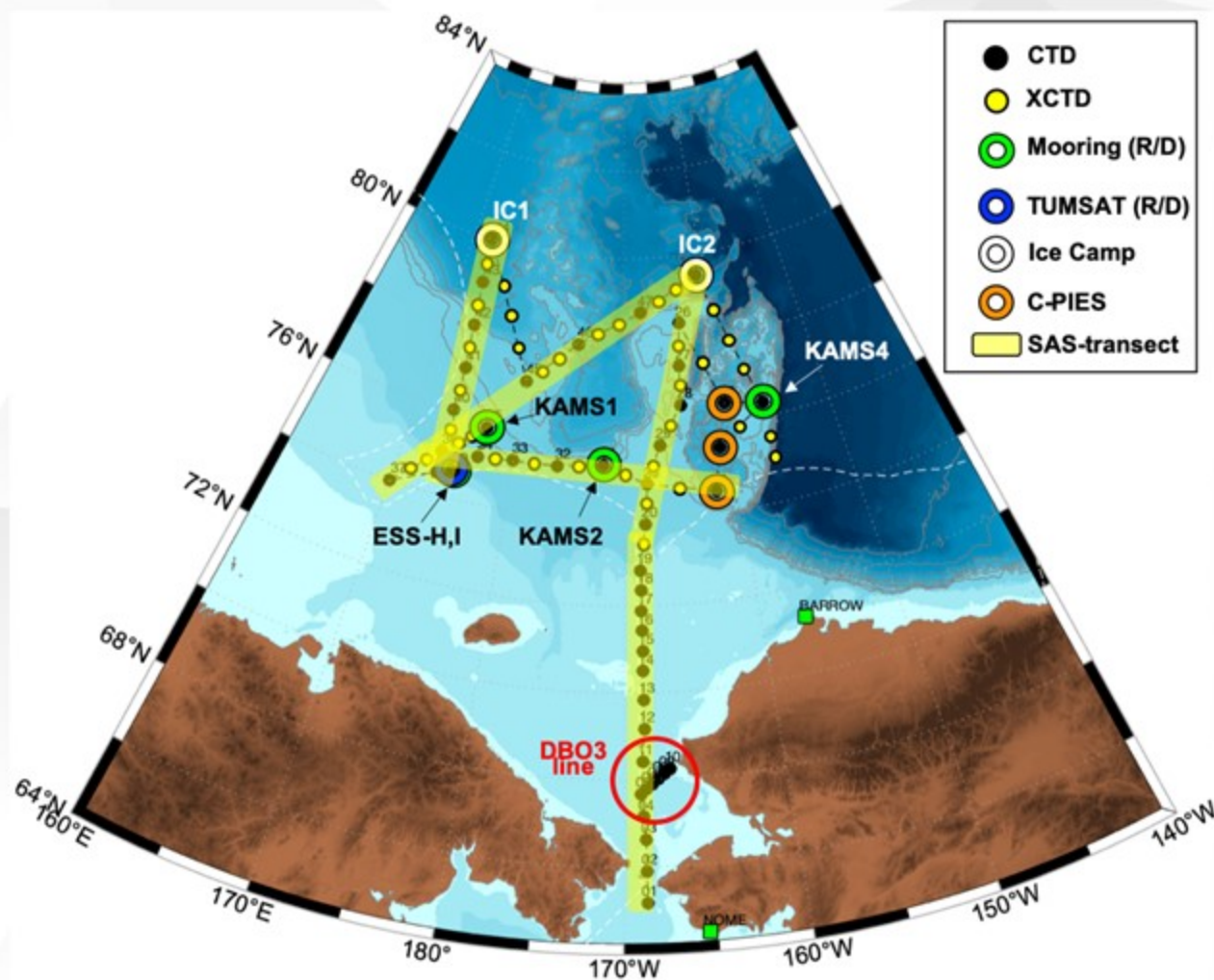
● **Period:** 2020. 7.243 - 8.23 (from Dutch Harbor to Barrow)

● **Chief Scientists:** Eun-Jin Yang ([ejyang@kopri.re.kr](mailto:ejyang@kopri.re.kr))

● **Participating nations:** Korea, Croatia, Germany, the UK, France, China

# 2020 Arctic Ocean Expedition

## 1<sup>st</sup> Leg (ocean-sea ice-atmosphere)



- North of Bering strait
- Chukchi shelf
- Chukchi Borderland to East Siberian Sea
- DBO line 3
- 2 Sea Ice stations
- Ocean mooring stations (5 set)

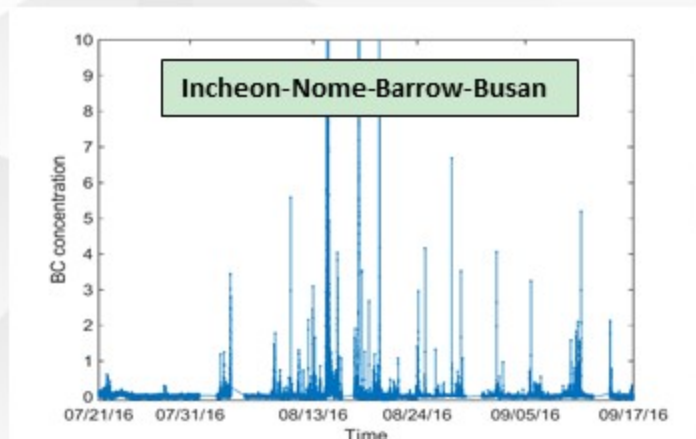
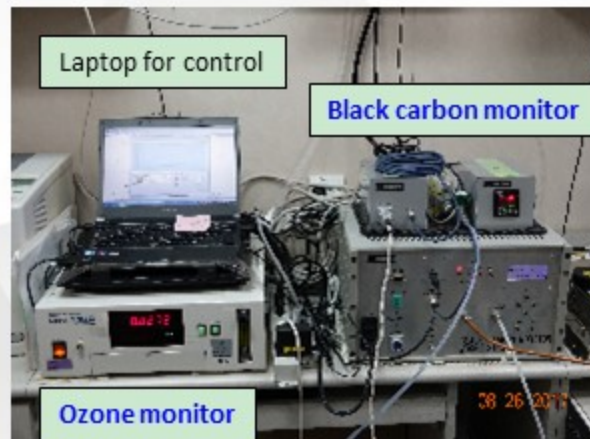
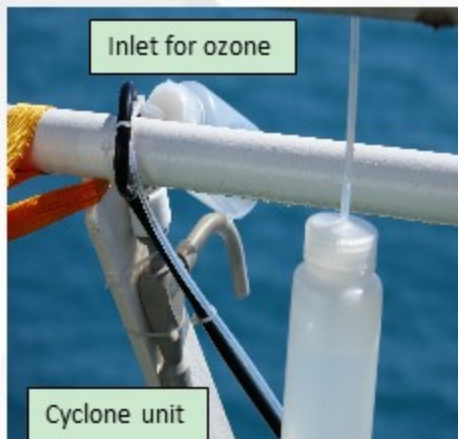


# Atmospheric Observations

- Surface and upper-air meteorological variables: understanding and prediction of weather events
- Radiative fluxes and clouds: clouds' role in radiation budget, cloud amount & vertical distribution

The diagram illustrates the instrumentation on a research vessel and the data flow process. On the vessel, instruments include: Radiosonde, Micro-pulse Lidar (MPL) (15m), Atmospheric Sciences Lab (ASL) (300m), CPC, CCN Counter, Nephelometer, and Nano SMPS; Compass Deck (22m) with All-sky Camera (Eko SRF-02), Radiosonde, and Sounding System (Vaisala MW41); and CRDS Shelter (22m) with O2/CO2 Deck (10m) and Data Logger (CR3000). Other instruments include Fomont (27m) Net Radiometer (CNR4+CNF4 & CNR1), Windmill Anemometer (05106), T/RH (01MP155), Pressure (PTB110), and Data Logger (CR1000). A Micro-pulse Lidar (MPL) and Radiosonde balloon are also shown. Data is transmitted via Inmarsat to KOPRI (Korea Polar Research Institute), which then feeds into the Global Telecommunication System (GTS) of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and KMA (Korea Meteorological Administration) for KOPRI in-house near real-time forecast.

- Aerosols and gases: Black carbon (BC), ozone, cloud condensation nuclei (CCN), PM10, etc.

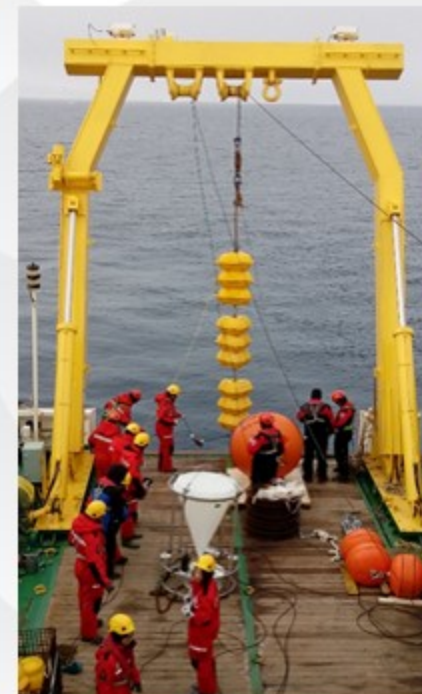
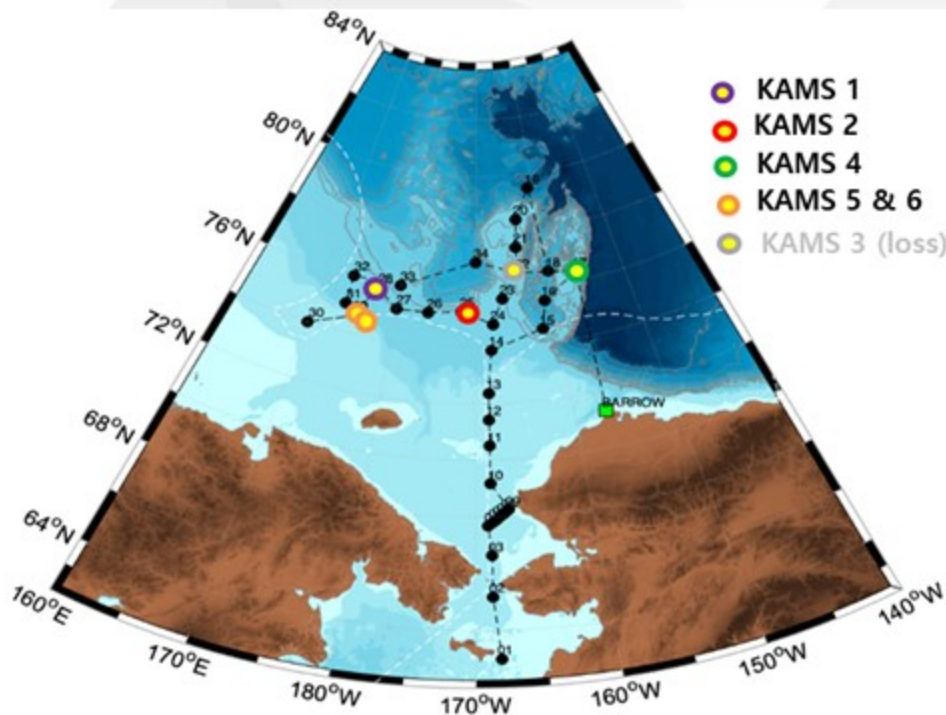


Preliminary result

# Physical Oceanography

- Objective: to identify the variation of water mass distribution and structure
- Equipment: CTD, XCTD, Lowered ADCP, ocean mooring system
- Ocean mooring system: ADCP, microCAT, temperature logger, sediment trap, AZFP, nitrate sensor (SUNA V2), Fluorescence & PAR sensors

## 2019 Arctic Ocean Mooring



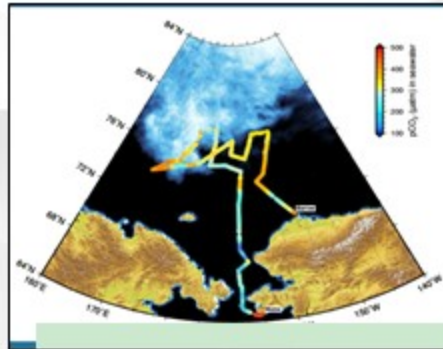


# Chemical Oceanography

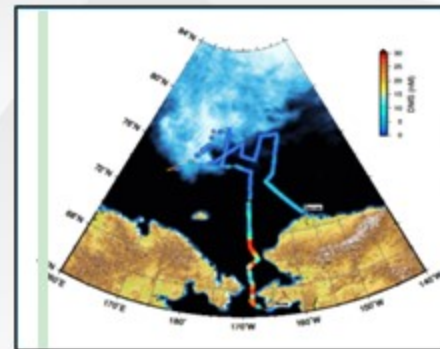
- Spatial and temporal variation of  $p\text{CO}_2$  in the Arctic Ocean
- Characteristics of dissolved inorganic carbon (DIC)
- Net community production (NCP) using MIMS (Membrane-inlet Mass Spectrometry)



Continuous observation system of  $p\text{CO}_2$



Dissolved  $p\text{CO}_2$  along the track

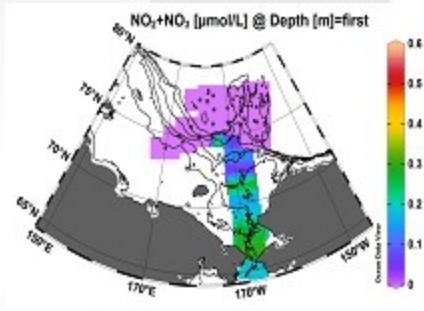


Dissolved  $\text{O}_2/\text{Ar}$  along the track

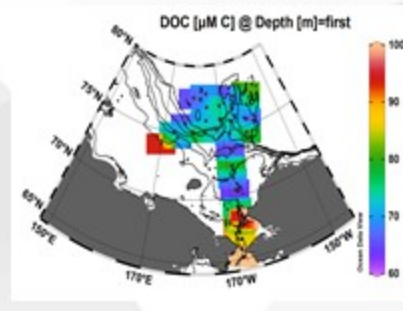


Continuous observation system (MMIS)

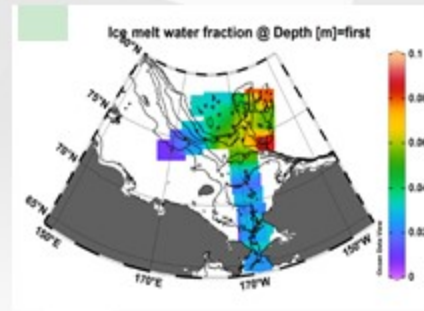
- Distributions of nutrients ( $\text{NH}_4$ ,  $\text{NO}_2+\text{NO}_3$ ,  $\text{PO}_4$  and  $\text{SiO}_2$ )
- Characteristics of dissolved and particulate organic matters (DOM and POM)
- Distributions of river water and ice melt water
- Sinking particle flux



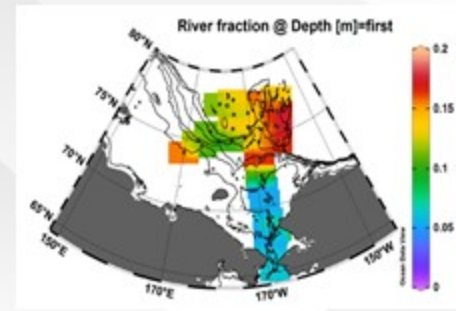
Nutrient



Dissolved organic matter



Ice melt water fraction

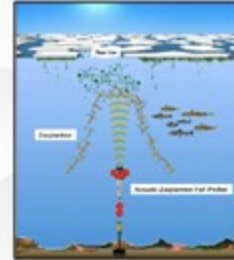
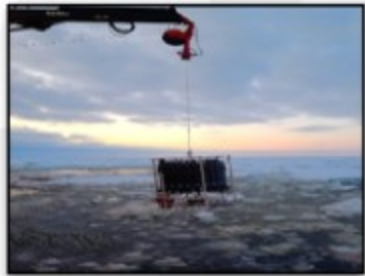


River water fraction

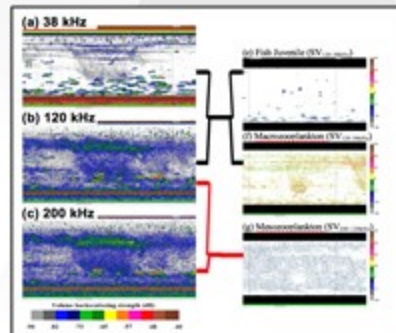


# Biological Oceanography

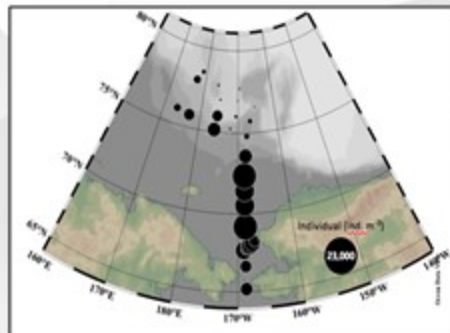
- **Bacteria** abundance and community structure
- **Phytoplankton** community structure, Production, Physiology ( $F_v/F_m$ )
- **Microzooplankton** community structure and grazing impact
- **Mesozooplankton** community structure and grazing impact
- **Deep scattering layer** distribution and abundance of invertebrate and fish
- Planktonic **food web structure** by in situ experiment and radio-isotope



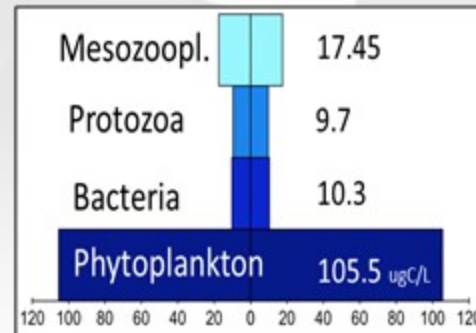
[Scientific eco-sounder]



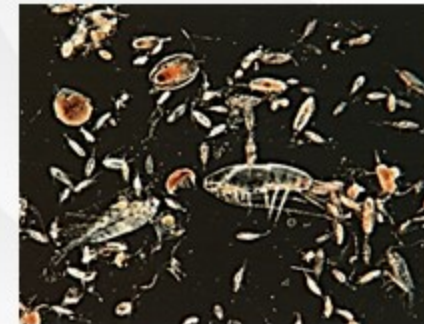
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[Copepod distribution]

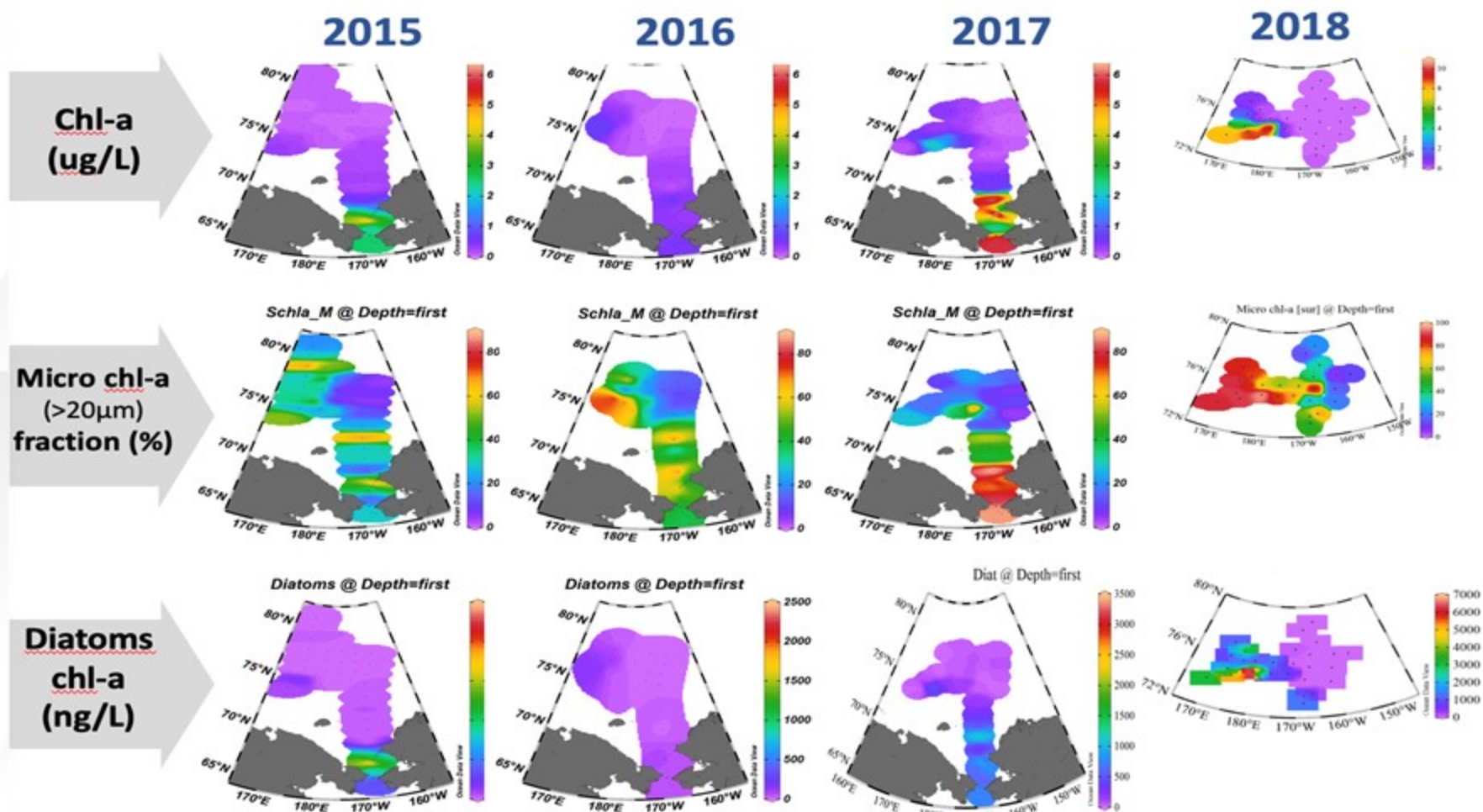


[Plankton structure]



# Phytoplankton biomass variation

- Phytoplankton biomass(Chl-*a*) and size fraction represented the interannual variabilities in the NESS.
- Phytoplankton blooms were mainly caused by the large size diatom group



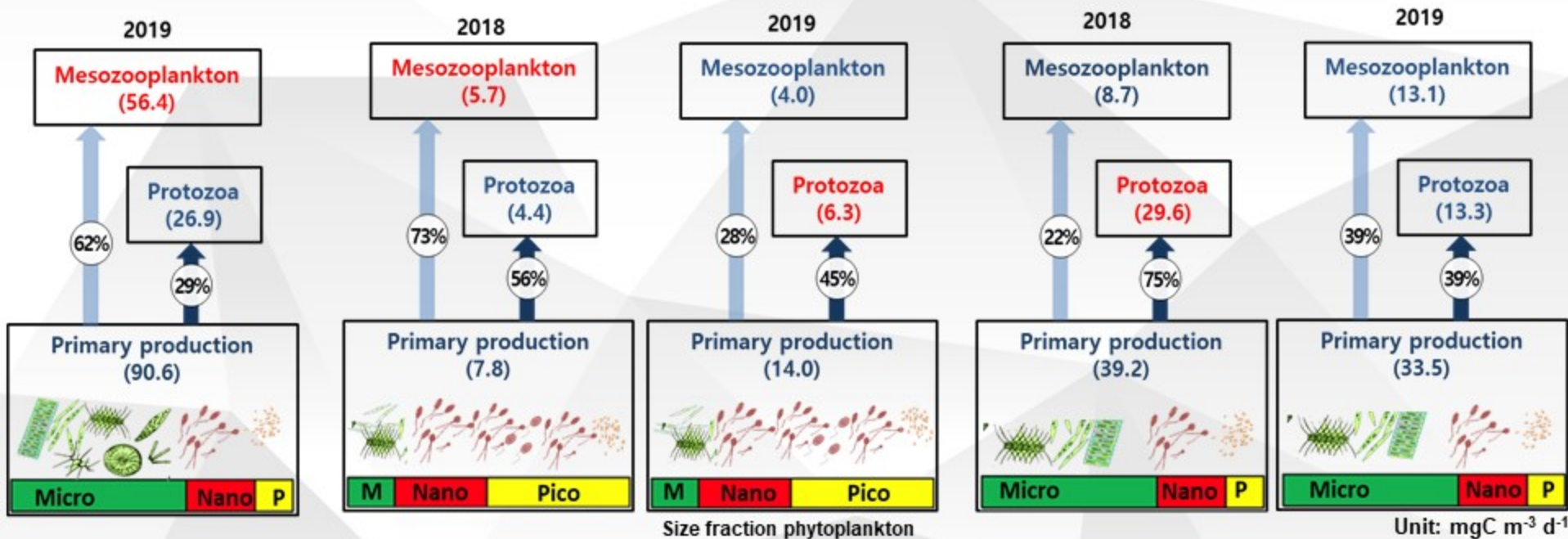


# Microbial food web structure

## Bering strait

## Northern Chukchi Sea

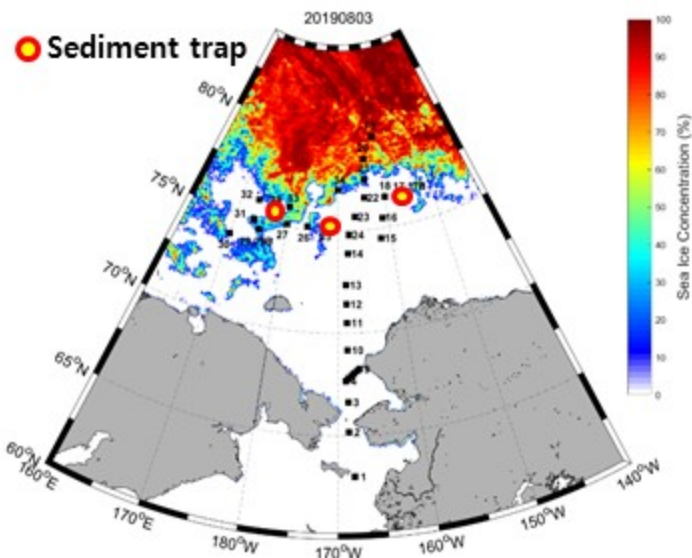
## East Siberian Sea



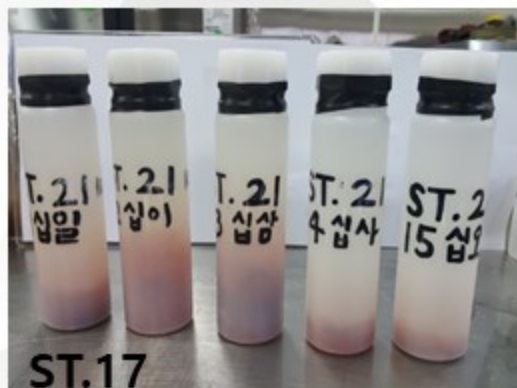
- Bering Strait: high primary production and diatom dominance -> Mesozooplankton
- NCS : Low primary production and picophytoplankton dominance
- -> Protozoa and mesozooplankton
- ECSS : Diatom dominance -> protozoa/mesozooplankton

# Seasonal variation of Particle flux

Sediment trap is the most powerful tool for investigating the carbon cycle changes in the Arctic Ocean



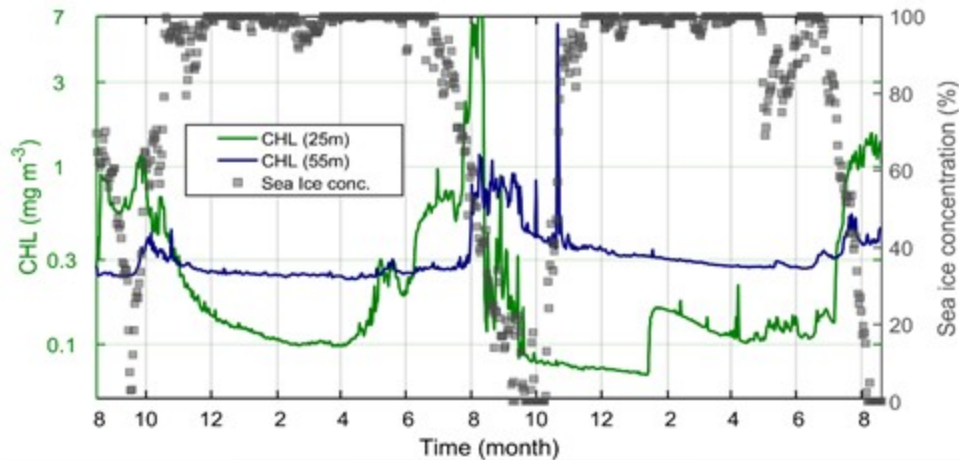
- ✓ East Siberian Sea  
-100m & 320m  
(only summer)
- ✓ Southern Chukchi Sea  
-100m
- ✓ Chukchi Borderland  
-100m & 500m



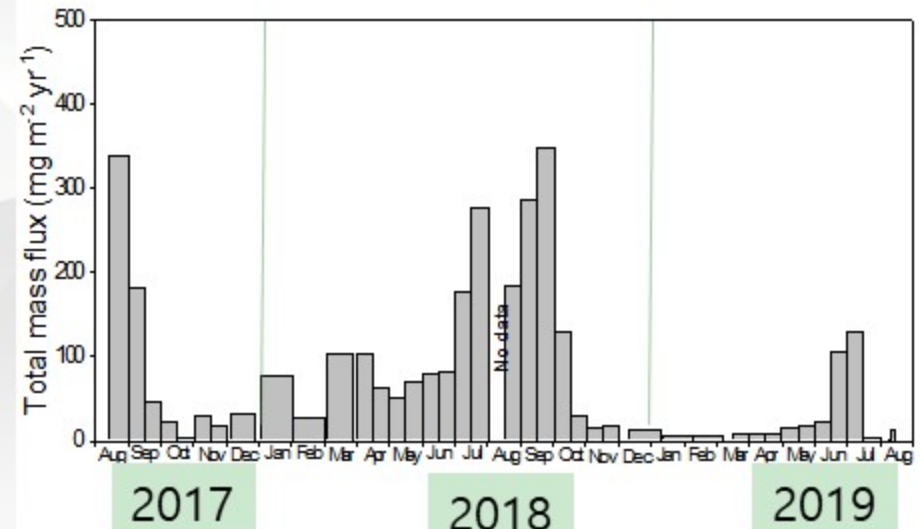
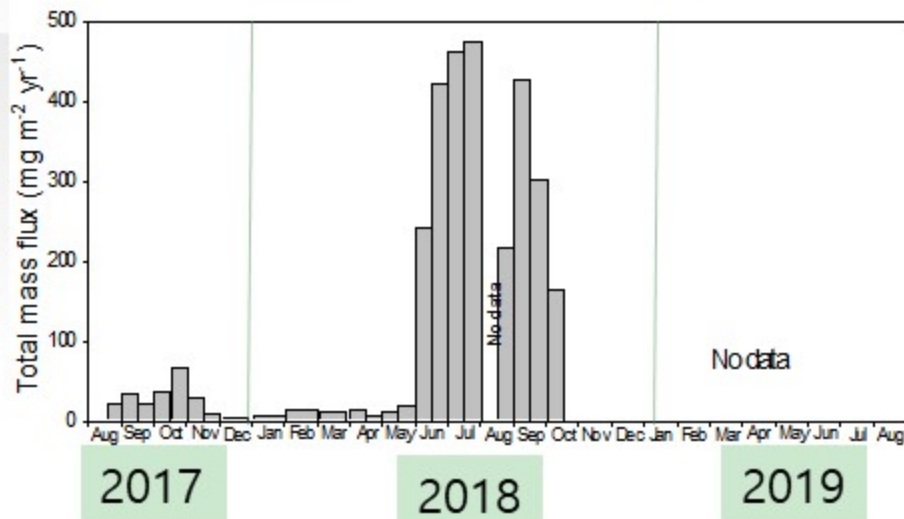
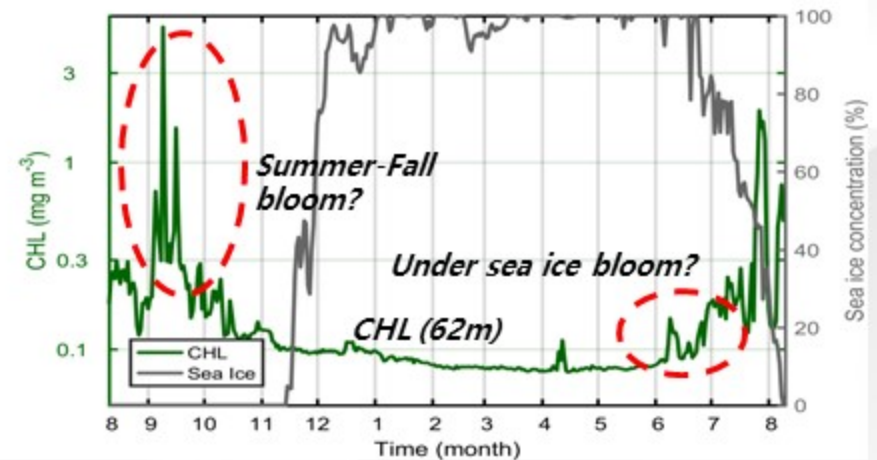


# Seasonal variation of Particle mass flux

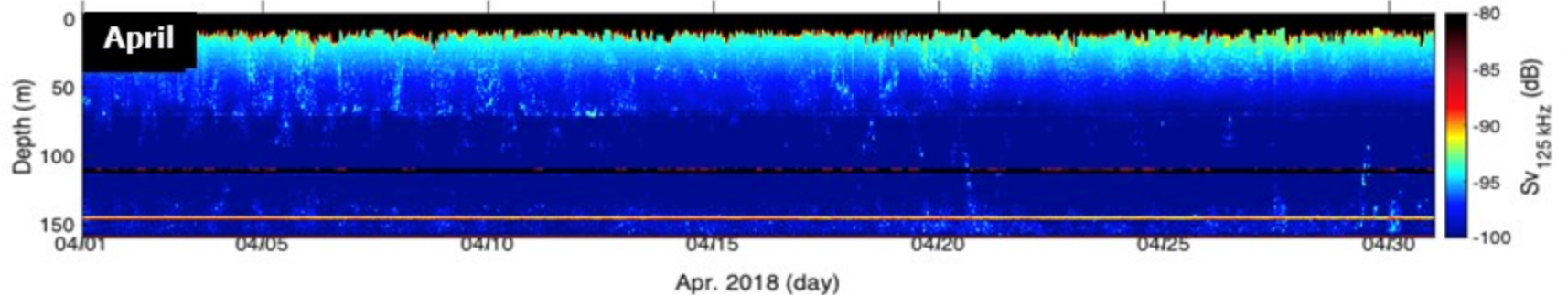
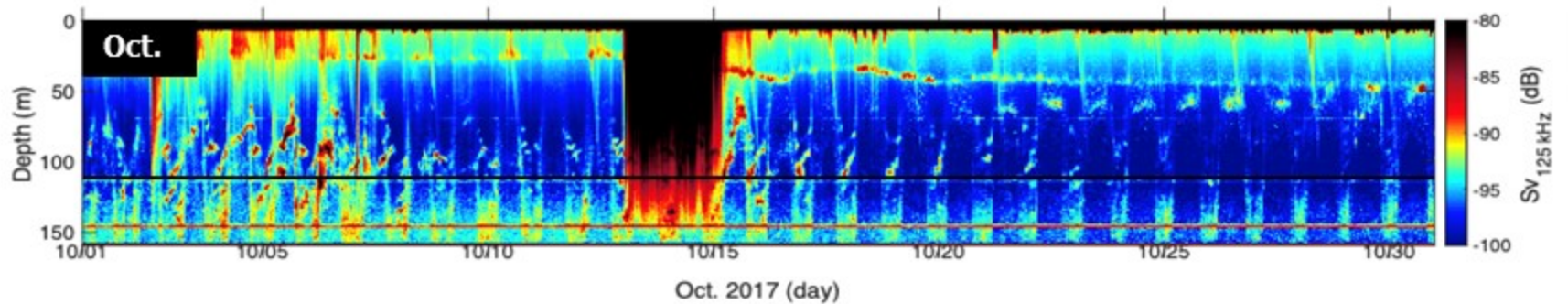
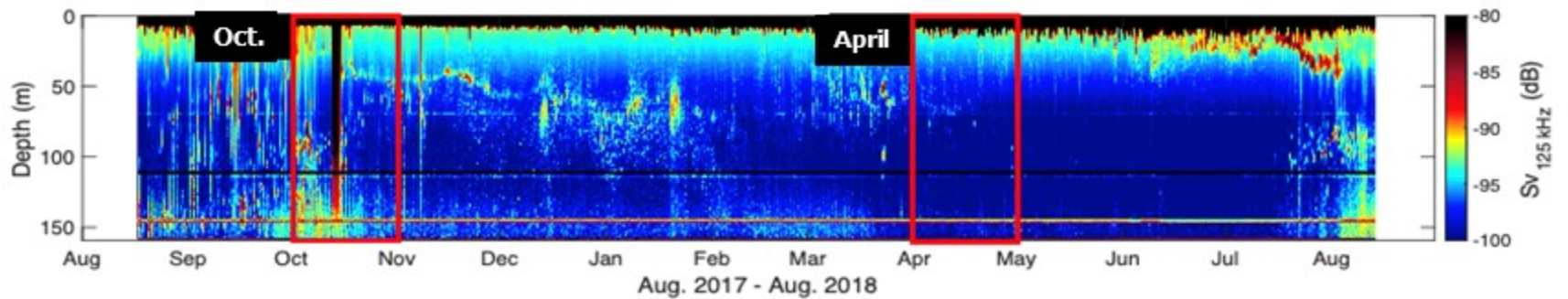
## East Siberian Sea



## Chukchi Sea



# Seasonal variation of zooplankton using AZFP (East Siberian Sea)





# Sea ice bio-physics

- Buoy deployments and in-situ measurements for bio-physical observation
  - To measure **in-situ bio-physical parameters of atmosphere-snow-sea ice- underwater sea ice**
  - To study the **air-ice-ocean interaction, ice deformation, melt pond energy budget**
- To define environmental characteristics of various melt ponds on sea ice floes
- International collaboration: KOPRI, BAS(UK), AWI(Germany), France (LOCEAN)

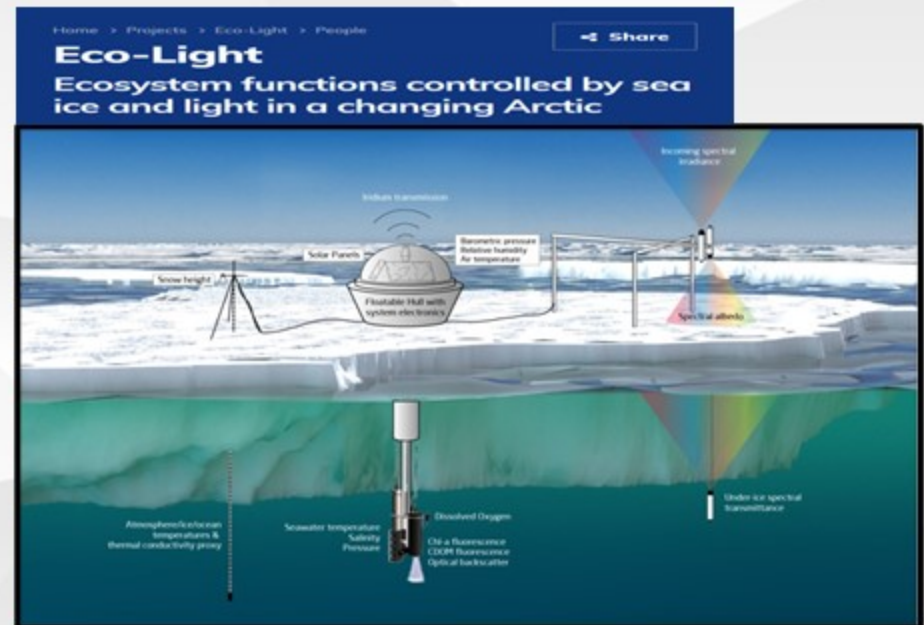
In-situ melt pond observation (KOPRI)



Melt pond Ice Mass Balance with radiation sensors (KOPRI & BAS)



BAS (UK)



<https://www.changing-arctic-ocean.ac.uk/project/eco-light/people/>

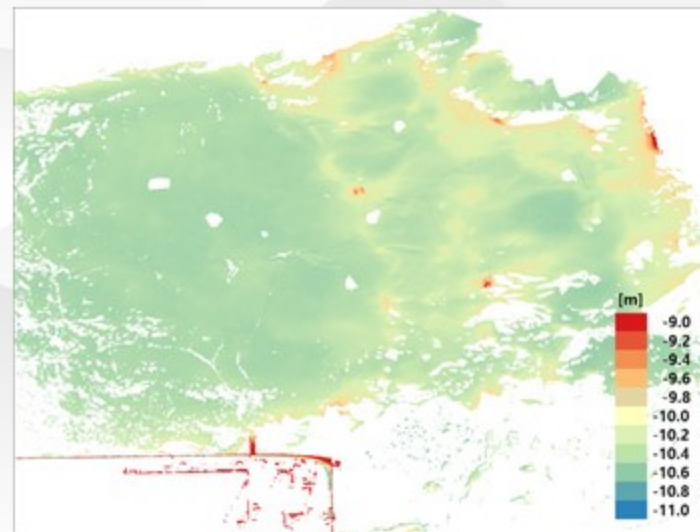
(By Eco-Light program)

## ● Ice Surface Scanning (ice surface roughness measurements)

- Sea ice surface roughness will be measured by using 3D laser scanner with 3 mm accuracy
- High-resolution satellite SAR images were acquired during the ice surface scanning
- Measured ice roughness will be compared to microwave backscattering derived from the SAR
- It is expected an algorithm for sea ice surface roughness estimates from satellite SAR is developed



Ice surface roughness measurement using 3D scanner

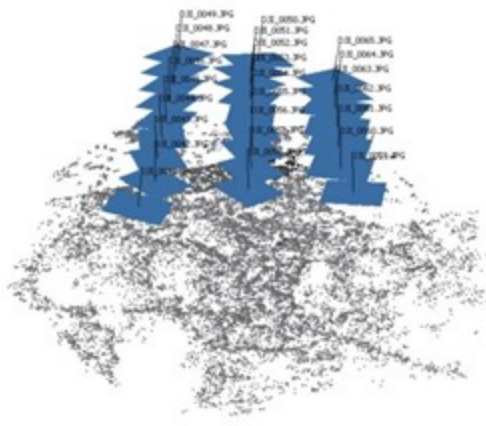


Preliminary result of ice surface roughness

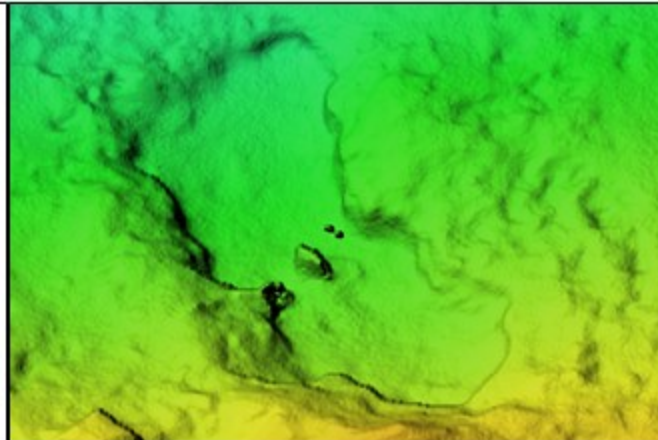


# Remote Sensing

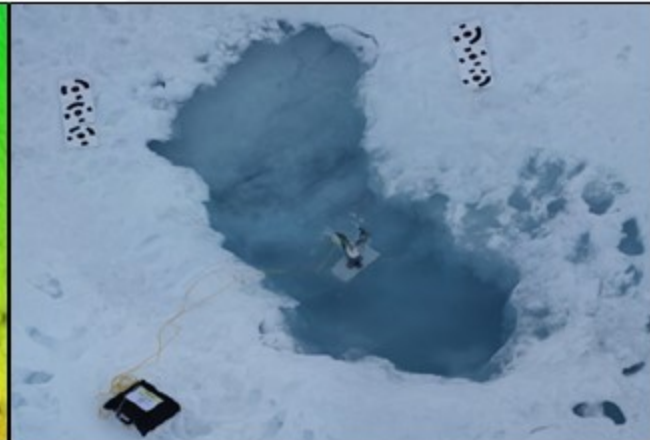
- UAV (unmanned aerial vehicle) observation (high-resolution image acquisition)
  - Very-high-resolution (VHR) image acquisition using UAV over drifting arctic sea ice was conducted.
  - The VHR images (a spatial resolution of few centimeters) were acquired in unfavorable cloudy conditions for optical satellite imagery acquisition.
  - Digital elevation model and mosaicked image can be used for further analyses, e.g., sea ice surface roughness measurement, melt pond distribution analysis and satellite data derived sea ice product validation.



UAV image acquisition strategy



Preliminary result of sea ice surface topography



Preliminary result of mosaicked image

# 2020 KOPRI Arctic Expedition (2<sup>rd</sup> Leg)

- **Marine geology/geophysics/biology (East Siberian Sea)**

- **Aims of the cruise:**

- To map geological features/structures in the Arctic continental margin
- To examine subsurface geology, permafrost, and gas hydrate and/or free gas accumulation, methane cycle, and methane-related microbiology in the Arctic
- To document subsea bed geological processes, such as permafrost degradation, submarine slope failure, and methane release on the Arctic shelf/slope

- **Period:** 2020. 8.25 - 9.20 (from Barrow to Nome)

- **Number of participants:** 40

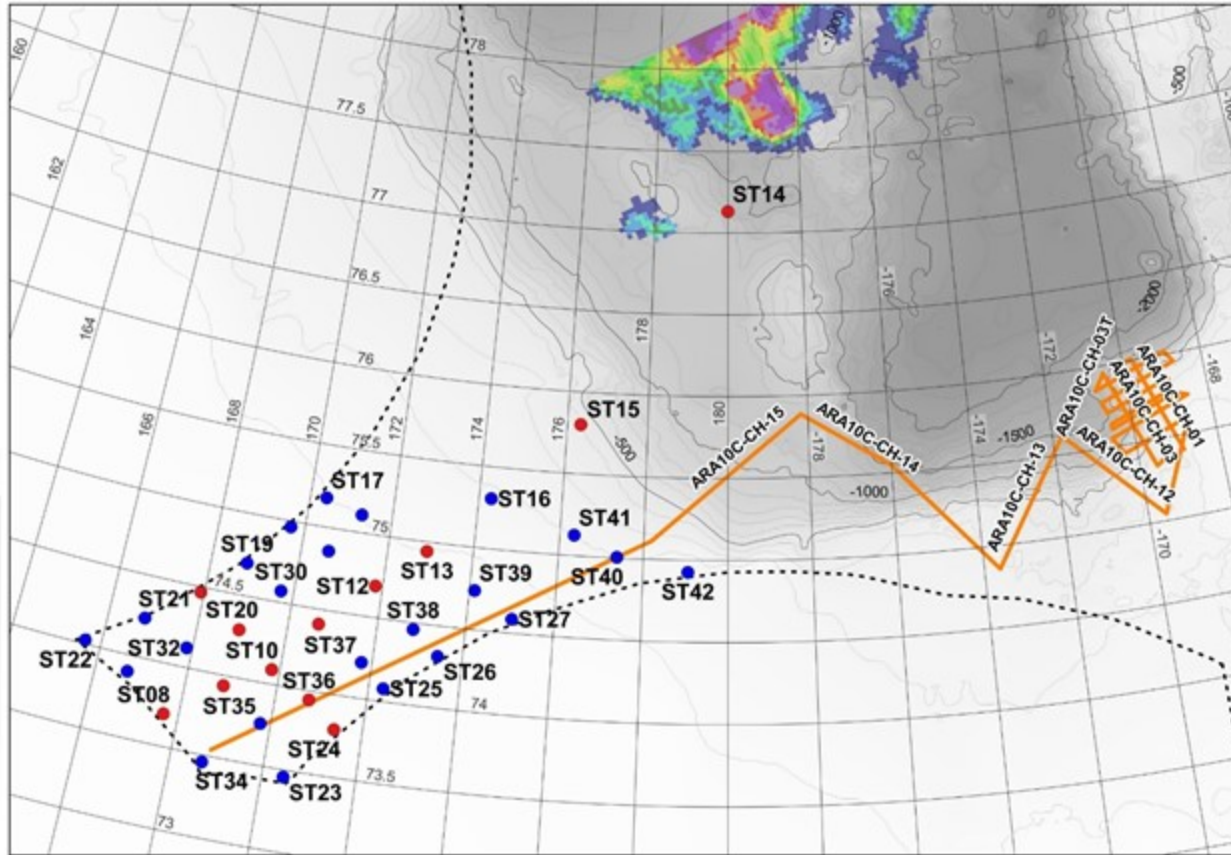
- **Chief Scientists:** Dr. Young-Keun Jin ([ykjin@kopri.re.kr](mailto:ykjin@kopri.re.kr))

- **Participating nations:** Korea, Russia,



# 2020 Arctic Expedition (2<sup>nd</sup> Leg)

## Study Area: East Siberian Sea



- Research items;
  - Multichannel seismic survey
  - OBS survey
  - Sub-bottom profiling
  - bathymetric mapping
  - Sediment coring
  - Heat flow measurements
  - Water column study
  - Methane flux study
  - Microbiological study

# Korea Arctic Ocean-data System (KAOS) for Data share



KAOS [<http://kaos.kopri.re.kr>]



