

**KRILL DISTRIBUTION IN RELATION TO OCEANOGRAPHIC FEATURES AND ECOSYSTEM STRUCTURE IN THE 30-80°E REGION.**

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A large-scale interdisciplinary survey of the waters between 30-80°E will take place between January and March 2006. The two main aims of the survey will be to obtain an updated estimate of krill biomass in this region for fisheries management purposes and to obtain a quasi-synoptic picture of the oceanography. Additionally, survey and process studies will be carried out on a number of ecological and biogeochemical processes. This talk will present a first overview of the results of this survey and will relate the distribution of ecological processes and communities to the physical environment.