



a) The original cruise track, and b) a rough visualization of the alternative proposed cruise track of TransArc II when permission to sample in the EEZ of Russia is refused. Red crosses indicate the parts of the original cruise track that will not be sampled then.

### Accomplishments:

The Arctic GEOTRACES program has been tremendously successful

- Dozens of papers
- Student involvement, Training, Theses
- Post-Doc training
- International cooperation (e.g. intercalibration)

## Goals:

- Build on International cooperative activities
- Pan-Arctic synthesis papers

## International cooperative activities – Can we build on this?

<u>Fitzsimmons</u>

- Intercalibrated with Canadian Arctic GEOTRACErs (Jay Cullen and Kristin Orians), and initial intercalibration has been successful.
- Currently working on intercalibration with German Arctic GEOTRACErs. We have been pursuing joint publication of the US and Canadian Arcitc GEOTRACES data with Jay Cullen's group (he is writing up joint Cd, while we are writing up joint Fe).

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Conducting intercalibration with US, German, French and Canadian colleagues

Kadko- intercalibrated <sup>7</sup>Be with W. Geibert and others. Manuscript being prepared.

Kadko, Landing, Buck

Coordinating upcoming Arctic expedition (MOASAIC, 2019-2020) with W. Geibert (Germany) and others.

<u>Shiller</u>

- Received samples from the Canadians and should soon receive samples from the Dutch so that we can do V and some other elements.
- Also, the Russians took some Barents Sea samples for us last summer and we are hoping they can actually get delivered to us.

<u>Granger</u>

- Canada GEOTRACES nitrate isotope analyses were conducted in the Granger laboratory by Nadine Lehmann (graduate student) from Markus Kienast's group at Dalhousie University.
- Intercalibration of Granger with Frank Dehair's group in Belgium.

## **Synthesis Topics from Previous Data Meetings**

 Effect of Transpolar Drift on Central Arctic Geochemistry (seen in Trace elements, <sup>7</sup>Be, <sup>228</sup>Ra)

Rutgers van der Loeff, M., L. Kipp, M.A. Charette, W.S. Moore, E. Black, I. Stimac, A. Charkin, D. Bauch, O. Valk, M. Karcher, T. Krumpen, N. Casacuberta, W. Smethie, R. Rember (2018) Radium Isotopes across the Arctic Ocean show Time Scales of Water Mass Ventilation and Increasing Shelf Inputs. JGR Oceans.

Kadko D., A. Aguilar-Islas, C. Bolt, C.S. Buck, J. N. Fitzsimmons, L. T. Jensen, W.M. Landing, C. M. Marsay, R. Rember, A. M. Shiller, L. M. Whitmore, and R. F. Anderson (2019) The residence times of trace elements determined in the surface Arctic Ocean during the 2015 US Arctic GEOTRACES expedition. Mar. Chem. 208, 56-69. doi.org /10.1016/ j. marchem. 2018.10.011

Charette et al., (in review) The Transpolar Drift as a Source of Riverine and Shelf-Derived Trace Elements to the Central Arctic Ocean. Submitted to: Journal of Geophysical Research-Oceans

- Hydrography and circulation (or restrictions of it), among the deep basins that were sampled
- Bioactive metals
- Nepheloid layer
- Marginal Ice Zone
- Shelf Processes (redox reactions, shelf-basin exchange)
- Halocline ventilation and geochemical features of shelf sources

Granger, J., Sigman, D.M., Gagnon, J., Tremblay, J., Mucci, A., (2018). On the properties of the Arctic halocline and deep water masses of the Canada Basin from nitrate isotope ratios. J. Geophys. Res. Oceans,123,5443–5458. https://doi.org/10.1029/2018JC01411



## **GEOTRACES** Pan-Arctic Synthesis Meeting

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L-E. HEIMBURGER et al. (submitted to GEOTRACES special issue in ACS Earth and Space Chemistry)





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### A refined Hg export flux in the Arctic ocean using Th-234 and particulate Hg





#### Take-home message:

Hg export fluxes below 100 m depth in the Arctic Ocean is with 81 Mg·y-1, at least 2x than what was published before.

#### **PETROVA et al. (not published)**

#### **MERCURY SPECIES EXPORT from the Arctic to the Atlantic Ocean**



 $tHg = 1.10 \pm 0.56 \text{ pM}0.20 - 4.81 \text{ pM}, n = 586 \text{ (not shown)}$ 





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EGC – East Greenland Current WSC – West Spitsbergen Current **NwAC** – Norwegian Atlantic Current

#### Take-home message:

- The shallow MeHg maximum found in the Arctic Ocean (100-300m depth) was observed in the EGC. i.
- Total Hg inflow at Fram Strait of  $41 \pm 6$  Mg y<sup>-1</sup> (7  $\pm 1$  Mg y<sup>-1</sup> as MeHg) and tHg outflow from the Arctic Ocean of  $52 \pm 9$ ii. Mg y<sup>-1</sup> ( $12 \pm 2$  Mg y<sup>-1</sup> as MeHg) => net export of  $11 \pm 7$  Mg y<sup>-1</sup> tHg and 50% as MeHg ( $5 \pm 2$  Mg y<sup>-1</sup>).
- The Arctic Ocean is a MeHg bioreactor transforming iHg into MeHg. iii.





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#### O. VALK et al. (2018), GRL

<sup>230</sup>Th IN THE NANSEN BASIN: Importance of hydrothermal vents in scavenging removal of <sup>230</sup>Th.

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Valk et al. (2019) https://doi.org/10.5194/os-2019-49

## M. Rutgers van der Loeff et al. (2018) JGR

#### **RADIUM ISOTOPES ACCROSS THE ARCTIC OCEAN**



#### Take-home messages:

- i. <sup>228</sup>Ra increased in central Arctic surface water, likely due to longer ice-free period on shelf and resulting increased wave action
- ii. <sup>228</sup>Th/<sup>228</sup>Ra excess (100-1500m depth) linked to export production.
- iii. Deep water enrichment of 226Ra implies ventilation times of ca. 480 years in CB/MB, supporting earlier estimates.



M. Rutgers van der Loeff et al. (in preparation)

#### RADIUM ISOTOPES IN THE FRAM STRAIT



# Ice Buoy Trajectories

Do surface waters follow te same route?



M. Rutgers van der Loeff et al. (in preparation)

#### **RADIUM ISOTOPES IN THE FRAM STRAIT**

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# Ice Buoy Trajectories

Do surface waters follow te same route?

Why is <sup>228</sup> Ra so low in the FRAM Strait/ Current?	East Greenland
decay? <sup>129</sup> I and <sup>236</sup> U data: age difference is just 2 years: <b>decay insufficient</b>	
Admixture of recirculating water from Fram Strait or Nansen Basin? <sup>129</sup> I and <sup>236</sup> U data: <b>incompatible</b> Admixture of aged low- <sup>228</sup> Ra water from Canada Basin? found there by Kipp et al., JGR-O, 2019 <b>likely</b>	<ul> <li>Take-home messages:</li> <li>i. Surface waters (PSW) in the TPD do not follow the ice track neither in speed nor in direction.</li> <li>ii. The EGC contains 30% less <sup>228</sup>Ra as expected from transport and radioactive decay, probably due to dilution with aged Surface waters</li> </ul>

from Canada Basin.

### <sup>228</sup>Ra in FRAM Strait 2016:



shelf and glacier stations removed



N. CASACUBERTA et al. (2018) JGR + new data from US cruise





A.M. WEFING et al. (*in prep*) + new data from US cruise (E. Chamizo, M. Lopez-Lora, T. Kenna, J. Smith)

#### <sup>129</sup>I AND <sup>236</sup>U IN THE ARCTIC OCEAN 2015.



Take-home messages:
i) Shorter circulation times in PSW compared to AL.
ii) Mean ages in the Nansen Basin are the greatest → dilution.

Wefing et al. (2021) https://doi.org/10.5194/os-17-111-2021



#### POLAR SURFACE WATERS: binary mixing model

A-M. WEFING et al. (2019) JGR **ETH** Zürich Oceans <sup>129</sup>I and <sup>236</sup>U in the FRAM STRAIT: 2016 - 2018 ncasacuberta@phys.ethz.ch AGU100 **CANADA BASIN** Surface: 25 yrs. North Pole Atlantic layer 30 yrs. 2015 PS94 2015 HLY1502 <sup>236</sup>U distribution in Fram Strait (2016 – 2018) **MAKAROV BASIN** Surface: 18 yrs. AMUNDSEN BASIN Atlantic layer 20 yrs. Surface: 10 yrs. Atlantic layer 20 yrs. Oepth Depth 5 20 NANSEN BASIN 350 Surface: 7 yrs. 2016 2018 10°W 5°W 5\*W Atlantic layer 40-50 yrs. Longitude Longitude **FRAM STRAIT** Surface: 12 - 19 years. Atlantic layer: 30 years. Take-home messages: i) Atlantic water circulation times to Fram Strait constrained for the first time. ii) Artificial radionuclides as tracers of Pacific Waters (freshwaters) in the FS.

## A. ULFSBO et al. (2018), GBC

#### **CHANGES IN ANTHROPOGENIC CARBON STORAGE**



#### Take-home message:

increase of anthropogenic carbon in the intermediate layers of Eurasian Basin  $\rightarrow$  increaseing concentrations of anthropogenic carbon in source waters of Atlantic origin entering the Arctic Ocean.

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Global Biogeochemical Cycles

RESEARCH ARTICLE

#### **R. PAFFRATH, K. PAHNKE (not published)**

## Rare Earth Elements (REE) and $\varepsilon_{Nd}$ , GEOTRACES GN04 section





#### Surface:

Exceptionally high surface [REE] in the Transpolar Drift indicate transport of REE from Siberian rivers

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dissolved ENd

Diverse ENd allows to distinguish between the different river sources

#### **Deep waters:**

- Constant  $\varepsilon_{Nd}$  signatures are due to similar source water  $\varepsilon_{Nd}$  signatures and little release of REEs from particles.
- Uniform[REE] at >500 m water depth reflect: i) deep water mixing times shorter than REE residence time; ii) no or low net release from particles.

Paffrath, R., Laukert, G., Bauch, D., Rutgers van der Loeff, M., Pahnke, K., 2021. Separating individual contributions of major Siberian rivers in the Transpolar Drift of the Arctic Ocean. Sci. Rep. 11, 8216. https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-021-86948-y. Paffrath, R., Pahnke, K., Böning, P., Rutgers van der Loeff, M., Valk, O., Gdaniec, S., Planquette, H., 2021. Seawater-Particle Interactions of Rare Earth Elements and Neodymium Isotopes in the Deep Central Arctic Ocean. Journal of Geophysical Research: Oceans 126,

e2021JC017423. https://doi.org/10.1029/2021JC017423.

G. Laukert et al. (in prep.); Laukert et al. (2017)

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10°W

2012

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TRACING POLAR WATERS WITH NEODYMIUM ISOTOPES

Polar

Water

2016

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## M.Sc. study by Jan Dreyer (2018):

Water mass mixing and freshwater inputs on the North-East Greenland shelf derived from dissolved neodymium isotopes and rare earth elements

## B.Sc. study by Florian Schreiber (2018):

Radiogenic neodymium isotopes as tracers of water masses advected to the Fram Strait



#### Take-home messages:

20°W

82

81%

80%

Greenland

Water

78%

77°

i) Nd isotopes allow identification of Arctic-derived and Greenland-derived (fresh)waters ii) Nd isotope data do not comply with water mass analyses based on nutrient relations

10°E

 $\epsilon_{\text{Nd}}$ 

12

11

# General compilation



## CIRCULATION TRACERS

- <sup>228</sup>Ra, <sup>236</sup>U, <sup>129</sup>I  $\rightarrow$  circulation times.
  - $\Delta C_{ant}$ , <sup>129</sup>I  $\rightarrow$  atlantification

#### WATER MASS SOURCES

- <sup>228</sup>Ra, <sup>236</sup>U, <sup>129</sup>I  $\rightarrow$  circulation times.
- εNd, <sup>129</sup>I/<sup>236</sup>U → Atlantic vs. Pacific waters, rivers.
- <sup>228</sup>Ra  $\rightarrow$  shelf waters.

PARTICLE EXPORT PROCESSES - pHg, <sup>230</sup>Th, <sup>228</sup>Th, <sup>234</sup>Th

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# Preliminary ICP-MS data expedition PS94

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Dissolved Cd, Co, Cu, Fe, Mn, Ni, and Zn in the Arctic Ocean L. J. A. Gerringa, M. J. A. Rijkenberg, H. A. Slagter, P. Laan, R. Paffrath, D. Bauch, M. Rutgers van der Loeff, R. Middag Preliminary ICP-MS data expedition PS94

# Whole depth profiles

metals in nM/L nutrients in  $\mu$ M/L



Figure: cruise track in the Central Arctic, crossing the TransPolar Drift (TPD) and the Nansen, Amundsen and Makarov basins (NB, AB, MB, respectively). Estimated TPD boundary plotted after Slagter et al. (2017).



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Depth in Water Column [m] 0000 0000 0000 0000

5000

0

500

1000



Physical oceanography: Rabe et.al (2016)



1500

Section Distance [km]

Conservative Temperature Ø [degC]

2000

2500

Watermasses referred to after Rudels (2010, 2012)



#### Preliminary ICP-MS data PS94 – Whole depth profiles - Nutrients



Nutrients: van Ooijen, et al. (2016)



Preliminary ICP-MS data PS94 – Whole depth profiles



Preliminary ICP-MS data PS94 – Whole depth profiles

Preliminary ICP-MS data expedition PS94

# Upper 500 m

metals in nM/L nutrients in  $\mu$ M/L



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Physical oceanography: Rabe et.al (2016);



Definition TransPolar Drift = 0.5 au. FDOM; following Slagter et al (2017)



Preliminary ICP-MS data PS94 – Upper 500 m - Nutrients

#### Nutrients: van Ooijen, et al. (2016)



17.5 15

12.5

10 7.5

5

2.5

1.25 0.75 0.5 0.25 Nansen basin Amundsen b. Makarov basin Amundsen b 500 1000 2000 2500 0 1500 Section Distance [km]

Depth in Water Column [m]

500



Preliminary ICP-MS data PS94 – Upper 500 m

#### TPD boundary contour (0.5 a.u. FDOM) after Slagter et al. (2017).



66Zn

#### Preliminary ICP-MS data PS94 – Upper 500 m

TPD boundary contour (0.5 a.u. FDOM) after Slagter et al. (2017).

111Cd

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