

**Cruise Report**

**LEG AHAB 8: Angola-Benguela Front: Ichthyoplankton Distribution and Training  
off Northern Namibia and Southern Angola**

**Walvis Bay – Namibe**

**04 May – 18 May 2004**

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**Dates of cruise:** 4 May to 18 May 2004

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**Brief description of cruise:**

Investigating hydrographical and biogeographical characteristics and ichthyoplankton distribution of the Angola-Benguela Frontal Zone, monitoring training off Northern Namibia and Southern Angola.

**Purpose of research :**

To investigate hydrographical and biogeographical characteristics and ichthyoplankton distribution of the Angola-Benguela Frontal Zone; to differentiate ichthyoplankton populations south of , in and north of the front. To conduct training on monitoring lines from Cunene River to Namibe in general CTD operational methods and current measurements in the upper 1000 m, ichthyoplankton and zooplankton sampling in the upper 300 m, bottom samples for sediments and organisms. ethods by which samples were obtained included ship's weather station, satellite image, CTD, ADCP, Rosette, Multinet, Bongo Net, ROV, Multi corer, box corer, grab sampler, dredge,

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### **1. General Aim of Leg AHAB 8**

The Angola-Benguela Frontal Zone (ABFZ) is the convergence zone between the Angola Current and the Benguela Current, separating tropical Angolan waters from the cool Benguela upwelling regime. Nearshore, the ABFZ separates the warm, highly saline southward-flowing Angola Current (AC,  $S > 35.9$ ) from the Benguela Upwelling (BU), generally with a small meridional temperature gradient. Farther offshore several fronts fan out southwestwards, separating the BU from the actual Benguela Current (BC,  $S < 35.5$ ) and northwestwards, separating the Angolan Gyre (AG) from the BC. The northward BC deflects towards the west and becomes the South Equatorial Current (SEC) farther north.

The ABFZ oscillates seasonally by some 3 degrees of latitude, and is on average centred at about 16°S, and is about 2 degrees of latitude wide near-shore and much broader offshore. This frontal zone is occasionally breached or displaced southwards, by warm Angolan water from the north. This can take the form of small intrusions, or major events. The latter, called Benguela Niños, have recently been shown to be the result of changes in wind stress patterns in the equatorial Atlantic Ocean.

Biological surveys crossing the ABFZ have been undertaken only recently. The present cruise is the third respective survey. The ABFZ is a zoogeographical boundary for mesopelagic fish, and should generally limit the distribution of tropical species towards the south, and that of cold water forms towards the north. However, the few studies made so far in near-shore waters did not have the necessary spatial and taxonomic resolution to investigate respective oceanographic-faunistic interdependencies. Fish larval abundances in near-shore waters have so far been found to be highest north of the ABFZ, and lowest south of it. It is furthermore hypothesized that a submergence of the Angola Current at the ABFZ might continue as a poleward slope undercurrent (SUC) southwards, and that cross-frontal transport of both water masses and fish larvae might also occur by filaments in the open ocean.

The survey was a multidisciplinary study continuing previous cooperation between the Department of Oceanography of the University of Cape Town, Institute for Baltic Research Warnemuende, National Marine Information and Research Centre, Swakopmund, German Centre for Marine Biodiversity Research, Hamburg and Instituto de Investigação Marinha now INIP (Instituto Nacional de Investigação Pesqueira / National Institute of Fisheries Research), Luanda.

The survey combined in situ CTD/O<sub>2</sub>, ADCP oceanography, nutrient chemistry, chlorophyll and phytoplankton composition with ichthyoplankton studies from basic taxonomic work up to fisheries-related studies on faunistic composition, specific abundance, and vertical and horizontal spatial patterns. It was intended to sample 50 stations on four survey lines perpendicular to the coast to 8°E – approximately 210 to 315 nautical miles long. The survey lines were intended to be chosen according to the actual location of the ABFZ derived from satellite images at the start of the survey. The northern and southern two lines would thus be representative of the Angolan and Benguela current regimes and the two central lines would cover the frontal system, proper.

The weather was fair; no time was lost due to rough seas. The sampling and work in the labs went smoothly, rare break-down of equipment was repaired by technicians and scientists on board.

## **2. General description of the cruise**

On May 05 the ship took 14 teachers and students from Namibia just off Walvis Bay to demonstrate equipment – CTD, plankton nets, dredge, multicorer, grab –see Fig.1, station ‘stud.’ Due to some problems with the cooling system the main cruise started a day later than planned originally. On May 07 at 14.00 hrs a station off Walvis Bay (station ADCP, Fig.1) was reached, where a hydrographic mooring was deployed and one hydrocast was taken in the framework of a Namibian-German cooperation within BENEFIT.

Thereafter the cruise continued, at approximately 01.00 hrs on May 8 the ichthyoplankton survey started on transect 1. Between transect 2 and 3 some benthic sampling was done crossing the Angola/Benguela Frontal Zone (ABFZ, stations BEO, see Fig. 1). The northernmost transect 4, was identical to the BENEFIT-Namibe-Monitoring-Line. The pelagic work on the transects was finished on May 17 at 06.30 hrs near the coast at station A47 slightly north of Namibe. At 3 sites directly off Namibe, benthos was sampled by grab and dredge. Cruise work ended on May 17 at 15.00 hrs. The ship sailed into Namibe in the morning of May 18.

### ***3. Brief reports by the working groups and a first cursory look at the results.***

#### ***3.1 Hydrography and ichthyoplankton survey***

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#### ***Methods:***

The team ran 4 transects normal to the isobaths, with 11 to 13 stations each (Fig. 1). The CTD measured depth, temperature, salinity, oxygen, chlorophyll a, turbidity, and phaeophytin down to 1000 dbar depth or 10 m above the bottom, if shallower than 1000m. Routinely, calibration work was carried out to standardize the temperature, salinity and oxygen probes on the CTD. Water samples for analysis of chlorophyll and nutrients and oxygen titration were handed over to the other groups from desired stations and depths.

All CTD stations were successful, except that we had a breakdown of the chlorophyll sensor between CTD-stations 13 and 15 and some repair work in between. There were no problems with the multinet. The multinet was towed obliquely at ships speeds 1.8 to 2.5 knots, and with winch speeds of generally 0.2 to 0.3 m/s. Expecting generally low fish larval abundances, the tows consequently exceeded somewhat the recommendations for quantitative fish larval surveys, in that they filtered 1.7 to 1.9 m<sup>3</sup> water per 1 m depth. To avoid confusion arising from different depth ranges being sampled, the volume-data were transformed to filtered areas (Table 1) and fish larval abundances are expressed as N/ m<sup>2</sup> (Table 2). On the southern transect, the multinet sampled the overall depth range from 300 to 0 m in 5 steps: 300 - 200 m, 200 - 100 m, 100 - 50 m, 50 - 25 m and 25 - 0 m in order to sample the presumed poleward slope undercurrent depth. The three northern transects sampled 5 steps each as follows: 200 - 150 m, 150 - 100 m, 100 - 50 m, 50 - 25 m and 25 - 0 m.

Table 1: Average areas filtered by the Multinet (MCN, based on the first 35 hauls only)

Step #	1	2	3	4	5
Depth	variable	variable	50-100m	50-25m	25-0m
Area filtered	1,66	1,93	1,84	1,69	1,70
SD	0,85	0,67	0,58	0,46	0,58
N	35	35	35	35	35

Working conditions to deploy and recover instruments were excellent. The possibility to maintain constant ships speed and low winch speed was occasionally limited, explaining the standard deviations up to 50 % particularly in the deepest stratum in Table 1.

## ***Results:***

### **Temperature and salinity**

All four transects crossed the upwelling region zonally, as well as the other offshore elements of the frontal system (Fig. 2). The warm situation with weak winds prevailing before and during the cruise possibly caused a northward movement of the ABFZ. Available ships time did not permit addition of an extra transect north of the ABFZ in entirely Angolan Current water. Zonal surface temperature gradients were weaker than climatologically expected, but showed the increase from the inshore upwelled region westwards, and conformed with the common „fan-out“ pattern.

Vertical sections of temperature (not shown) show the zonal deepening of isotherms towards offshore, but only inconspicuously the fronts proper. Conspicuous frontal structures appear in vertical sections of salinity (Figs 2 to 5), oxygen (Figs 7 -10) and chlorophyll (Figs 16-19 ). Besides the frontal structures, a high degree of smaller scale variability is shown by the above- mentioned parameters. This variability, perhaps linked with meridional transports described below, as well as by wind events before and during the cruise, needs future detailed analysis.

### **Geostrophic flow and oxygen**

Meridional geostrophic flows were calculated from the hydrographic variables (pressure, temperature and salinity), relative to the surface flow (lacking, at present, a proper reference level of “no motion”). Equatorward flow prevailed on transect 1. Exceptions were a weak poleward flow east of approximately 8°E (at depths greater than 300m), a narrow (surface to ≈60m) band of poleward flow centered at about 9.5°E, and another narrow, poleward jet at the shelf edge, which may be the common upwelling undercurrent. A subsurface oxygen minimum (<2ml/l) was situated at the shelf edge and deepens (300- 600m) offshore. This oxygen minimum is probably of local origin, as it does not correspond to a poleward flow that might have transported oxygen deficient water from the north. Farther offshore, west of 9°E and at depths of greater than about 300m, “patches” of oxygen minimum water occurred.. These coincide with the poleward flow noted there and are therefore likely to originate further north.

Transect 2 shows alternating bands of northward and southward flow. Two major northward currents were centered at approximately 9.2°E and 10.5°E. West of 8.75°E, east of 10.75°E and between the two northward flowing streams the flow reversed to polewards. On the shelf at approximately 11.7°E a poleward jet occurred which was particularly intense at depths of greater than about 50m. Immediately west of this there was an equally strong northward current. A wedge of oxygen deficient (<2ml/l) water lay between about 300m and 700m narrowing from the continental shelf to approximately 8.5°E at a depth of 450m. This wedge of oxygen- deficient water has been well-documented and has been shown to exist from the equator to approximately 20°S off the African continent. The poleward jet on the continental shelf may have advected the relatively low oxygen concentration found there at depths greater than 70m.

The predominant geostrophic flow calculated for transect 3 was southward, but a relatively strong northward flow was found between 11°E and 10.3°E. Since the offshore part of transect 3 was north of the ABFZ (see salinity), this may be indicative of the presence of a southward-flowing AC. An opposing, northward flow existed near the continental shelf, at 11°E. This flow was most likely due to the extreme northward extent of a narrow coastal portion of the Benguela Upwelling zone. Oxygen deficient water exists in a zonal band from the base of the thermocline to a depth of approximately 700m. The base of this oxygen minimum layer was characterised by an upwards doming centered at about 9.75°E, which decreased in intensity towards the thermocline. Evaluation of transect 4 was not done, having made the final CTD casts on this transect just before reaching the port of Namibe.

### **Fish - and some phytoplankton**

We encountered notable amounts of phytoplankton within the coastal upwelling zone and the inshore part of the front. Along the southern transect phytoplankton appeared to be reasonably healthy, and associated with jellyfish. Along transects 2 to 3 huge amounts of dead or decaying phytoplankton were caught, but jellyfish were less abundant and, if caught, smaller in size.

Few fish larvae were observed on Leg 1 whilst preserving the catch. Later microscopic analysis of samples confirmed that the two strata (25-50m and 50-100m) sampled at each of the stations on transect 1 had a low total catch and low abundance of fish larvae (Table 2). The relative maximum abundances, if representative, coincide with the ABFZ. Fish larvae there belonged exclusively to the mesopelagic community, and, when identifiable, to the Benguela fauna (*Symbolophorus boops*, *Bathypelagus greyae*), or species with an Atlantic-wide tropical/subtropical distribution (*Diogenichthys atlanticus*).



Table 2: The total catch and abundance of fish larvae in the thermocline-strata 100 – 25 m depth in 6 selected stations from transect 1

MCN-station	1	2	4	6	8	10
Longitude [° , ]	13,04	12,48	12,10	11,13	9,55	8,40
N fish 25-50m	0	0	8	7	4	2
N fish 50-100m	0	1	0	3	0	6
N/1m <sup>2</sup> 25-50m	0,0	0,0	4,0	5,8	2,0	0,9
N/1m <sup>2</sup> 50-100m	0,0	0,3	0,0	1,9	0,0	2,1
minimum N/1m <sup>2</sup>	0,0	0,3	4,0	7,7	2,0	3,0

During preservation of samples from transects 2 to 4 towards the north, increasingly larger numbers of fishes were visible in the front samples, and also in the adjacent open ocean. Transect 3 yielded among the decaying phytoplankton larvae of coastal fish species like sardine and horse mackerel. Distinctly tropical oceanic epipelagic to mesopelagic species were first observed at the 6 westernmost stations of transect 4, of which the fourth one (MCN-haul #39) revealed a distinctly faunistic influence of the Angolan Gyre (the East Atlantic Equatorial subspecies of *Vinciguerria nimbaria* occurred in numbers, larval *Hygophum macrochir* was also present).

### 3.2 Nutrients and oxygen titrations

**Bodo v. Bodungen & Francisco de Almeida**

#### **Methods:**

Samples for nutrients were taken from CTD water bottles at 3 stations on transect 1, at 5 stations on transects 2 and 3 and 9 stations on transect 4 (see Fig. 1). Samples were analysed for dissolved inorganic phosphorus as phosphate (PO<sub>4</sub>), silicon as silicate (SiO<sub>4</sub>) and nitrogen in the form of nitrate (NO<sub>3</sub>), nitrite (NO<sub>2</sub>) and (NH<sub>4</sub>) ammonium according to standard procedures described in the JGOFS-protocols and Grasshoff (1983). Oxygen were taken for Winkler titration from each station from selected depths to cover different water masses and gradients. Titration values were used to calibrate the oxygen sensor on the CTD, which worked perfectly, thus Figs 7-10 are from continuous profiling with the CTD probe.

Figs 11-15 shows surface distributions of the nutrient in the ABFZ and vertical distribution on the 4 transects, for gridding the data kriging was used. Density of the measurements is low in parts. Linear interpolation of the data and graphs for vertical distributions at individual stations will be applied later on. Nitrite and ammonium results are not depicted.

#### **Cursory look at the results:**

On transect 1 the upper 30 to 40 m of water are particularly low in SiO<sub>4</sub> (0.8 – 3.01 μmol/l), indicating a previous strong growth of diatoms. Nitrate and phosphorus are more depleted offshore than nearshore with nitrate close to detection limit between 10 to 8°E. Deeper water concentrations reflected the different water bodies such as the BU, poleward undercurrent, BC and South Atlantic Gyre water (see also 3.1).

Transect 2 revealed similar low  $\text{SiO}_4$  values, whereas much higher values for  $\text{PO}_4$  and  $\text{NO}_3$  ( $>2$  and  $>30$   $\mu\text{mol/L}$ ) were found in the upper water column. On transect 3 the strong nearshore to offshore gradients were found between  $11.2$  to and  $10.8^\circ\text{E}$ . This also holds true for transect 4 but with a different zonal distribution. On transect 4,  $\text{PO}_4$  shows some distinct features from surface to  $300\text{m}$  water depth which needs further analysis.

The northern transects showed surprisingly high nutrient concentration in nearshore waters, which are higher than on the 2 southern transects and extend further offshore. Nutrient concentrations below  $100\text{m}$  appear to be in accordance with the respective hydrography, however sampling was too sparse to allow more detailed analysis.

A striking difference between the northern and the southern transects is evident from the nitrate deficit or  $\text{N}^*$ -values which are much more negative ( $-5$  to  $-10$ ) south of the front thus indicating considerable denitrification and excess of phosphorus, which could be a competitive advantage for the growth of blue-green algae. Considerable amounts of phycoerithrin were detected by the fluorescence probe on the CTD. This probe was not calibrated by discrete samples but this phenomenon may be worthwhile to follow up. On transect 4 in the north,  $\text{N}^*$  was positive ( $> 3$ ) in coastal waters and changed to negative values ( $-4$ ) to the open ocean. The distribution of  $\text{N}^*$ -values in relation to the redox gradients in the water column should be more intensively investigated.

Oxygen distribution is briefly described in 3.1, however a special situation should be mentioned here. Between transect 2 and 3 off the Cunene region some stations were sampled for benthos after CTD profiles were taken (see stations prefixed by BEO in Fig.1). Low oxygen values of  $<1.8$   $\text{mlO}_2/\text{L}$  in surface water and  $<0.5$   $\text{mlO}_2/\text{L}$  in bottom waters (water depth between  $28$  and  $60\text{m}$ ) was encountered from station BEO 1 to station 25. However at station 27 and 24 near bottom oxygen depletion was also found but the upper water column showed values of  $>3.8$   $\text{mlO}_2/\text{l}$ . The oxygen- depleted water at the surface at stations BEO 1 – 25 must have been caused by a very local event of upwelling of oxygen depleted water, which was observed to be black at the surface. The zooplankton net was clogged with black phytoplankton. Discrete phytoplankton samples were taken at stations 25 to 27 and later microscopic analysis will reveal the composition of an obviously huge phytoplankton bloom (see also 3.3). A brief look at the netsamples showed that the large diatom *Coscinodiscus* ( $>300\mu$ , see photos below) predominated and a few *Thalassiosira* spp. occurred, mostly in poor shape. Decay of this biomass was most likely in full operation as the highest ammonium and nitrite values ( $>1,5$   $\mu\text{mol/L}$ ) of the cruise were found in surface waters of this area.

### ***3.3 Phytoplankton and Chlorophyll***

#### **Domingos da Silva Neto, Stefan Weinreben & Bodo v. Bodungen**

Factors driving primary production include the availability of nutrients. Environmental changes affecting the distribution and dynamics of phytoplankton biomass exert an important influence on spawning success and the recruitment of juveniles into the fishery, and consequently, on fish stocks. On the other hand, dissolved oxygen concentrations can be a complementary factor governing the distribution of fish stocks.

Available information on phytoplankton dynamics and distribution in the northern part of the Benguela Current, the Angola-Benguela Frontal Zone (ABFZ) and boundary between Angolan and Namibian waters is scarce.

This survey (AHAB Leg 8) was carried out from 22° S to 15° S and from the coastal zone to 8° E in order to contribute to an improvement of knowledge about the larval distribution in the northern Benguela Current / ABFZ and to discuss the influence of tropical waters of Angola Current origin on this area.

#### ***Methods:***

Samples were collected at practically every second station offshore and more frequently near the coastal zone. For the Namibe Monitoring Line (NML) samples were taken for both chlorophyll and phytoplankton analyses, along the entire line.

Samples were collected on board *R/V Humboldt* at three to six depths at 27 CTD-stations, in the range of low and higher values indicated on the CTD fluorescence trace - usually between 0-60m. Values of fluorescence obtained from the measurement of chl *a* in bottle samples were used for the establishment of correlations with values obtained by the CTD fluorometer.

For each depth, 200-500 ml water was filtered in laboratory conditions through a Whatman (25 mm  $\phi$ ) GF/F filter under low vacuum (suction pressure ~ 200 mbar). The moist filters were folded by means of tweezers and they were placed in labelled tubes and stored dark in 10 ml. of 96 % ethanol extractor. After extraction, chl *a* and phaeopigment concentrations were determined according to the fluorescence reaction of chl *a* measured on a Turner 10-AU fluorometer. The values obtained for chl *a* and phaeopigments (phaeo) were calculated according to Edler (1979), HELCOM (1988) and JGOFS (1993).

For further taxonomic analyses, a sub-sample from each depth of the 24 surveyed stations was fixed with 2 % formaldehyde. Generally sampling was accompanied by measurements of water clarity and other physical and chemical parameters.

### ***Preliminary results and prospectives:***

The concentration of chl *a* in the northern Benguela was generally very low in Namibian waters, but much higher in the Angolan waters, particularly along the Namibe Monitoring Line. Here values at 0-20 m varied between 1.61 and 4.08 mg m<sup>-3</sup> (see stations 50-55, along 15° S between 11° 17' and 12° 07' E). Particularly high values of chl *a* were found on the coastal zone of the Cunene River Transect (see stations 32 and 33; 17° 00' S; 11° 41' - 11° 39' E). Values here reached a maximum concentration of 31.62 mg m<sup>-3</sup>, suggesting the occurrence of an algal bloom. This can be accompanied by death of fish, invertebrates and sea birds (Steidinger *et al.* 1981). The bloom might have been caused by nutrient input from both upwelling and the Cunene river. The values of dissolved oxygen in the water column can also be used for a future complementary analysis of the possible role of microalgal organisms on the distribution of ichthyo / zooplankton.

The correlation between the values displayed by the CTD fluorometer and chl *a* in calibration samples was very low ( $r^2 = 0.32$ ). However, this can be improved as correlations should be done separately for the coastal and oceanic areas. The distribution of chlorophyll presented in Figs 16-19 is taken directly from the probe.

### ***3.4 Macrozoobenthos***

**Michael L. Zettler & Catherine Isibore**

#### ***Methods:***

Benthic samples were taken with a 0.1 m<sup>2</sup> van Veen grab (Fig. 20, left). Due to sediment conditions, grabs of different weights were used. Three (or two, seldom only 1) replicates of grab samples were carried out at each station (Table 3). Additionally sometimes a dredge haul (net mesh size 5 mm) was taken in order to obtain mobile or rare species. All samples were sieved through a 1-mm screen and animals were preserved in the field with 4% formaldehyde. An underwater video-system was used at selected locations for the characterisation of the habitat i.e., assessment of sediment structure, species on the sediment surface and current (Fig. 20, right). The salinity and temperature of near bottom waters were measured by ship-based CTD-sensor and the oxygen content by titration according to the Winkler method. Altogether 13 stations in water depths between 28 and 340 m were sampled.

Table 3: Stations sampled for macrozoobenthos during AHAB-8

station	date	depth	Lat. (S) °, decimal	Lon.(E) °, decimal	Salinity (psu)	Oxygen mg/l	T°C	replicates	dredge
BE1	12.05.2004	42	18,39	11,92	35,3	0,12	13,4	3	1
BE2	12.05.2004	32,3	18,19	11,84	35,4	1,46	14,3	1	1
BE3	12.05.2004	45	17,96	11,77	35,3	0,13	13,3	2	1
BE4	13.05.2004	60,7	17,60	11,70	35,3	0,08	12,9	3	0
BE5	13.05.2004	65	17,26	11,68	35,3	0,05	13,0	3	0
BE6	13.05.2004	28,7	17,00	11,70	35,5	0,78	14,9	3	1
BE7	13.05.2004	105,4	16,99	11,52	35,4	0,42	13,6	2	1
BE8	13.05.2004	117	17,02	11,46	35,4	0,53	13,8	2	0
BE9	17.05.2004	340	15,01	12,08	35,2	0,59	11,1	1	0
BE10	17.05.2004	115	15,00	12,13	35,6	0,77	15,8	3	0
BE11	17.05.2004	83,6	15,13	12,11	35,6	0,92	16,0	2	0
BE12	17.05.2004	37,6	15,18	12,08	35,6	0,88	16,2	3	1
BE13	17.05.2004	67,2	15,29	12,00	35,6	0,8	15,9	1	1



Fig. 21 : The macro-zoobenthos was sampled by a 0.1 m<sup>2</sup> van Veen grab (left). For imaging and assessing the underwater habitat a ROV was used at some stations (right).

### ***Preliminary results:***

The 29 replicates and the 7 dredge samples have not yet been analysed. Both sub-antarctic and subtropical taxonomical groups are to be expected in the waters off Namibia and Angola. Due to the enormous effort to learn the taxonomy of macrozoobenthos of these waters we decided to write a proposal to the DFG. Together with sampling stations from the AHAB-9 survey 55 replicates and 11 dredge haul samples have to be analysed.

The dominant taxonomical groups observed during onboard examination of the samples were the echinoderms, molluscs and cnidarians. Representatives were found from all other groups as well. The warmer waters of the north (see Table 3) were more biodiverse and groups like crustaceans, polychaetes and sponges became more dominant. Other taxa found in the samples included brachiopods.



Fig. 21: Sea fans (left) and brittle stars (right) were found often within the grab samples during AHAB-8.

During our benthic sampling we observed the tropical East Atlantic coastal snake eel *Dalophis boulengeri* and in cooperation with Dr. Christian John (Hamburg) noteworthy results in terms of fish biology were published recently (John & Zettler 2005).

JOHN, H.-C., ZETTLER, M.L. 2005: Occurrences of *Dalophis boulengeri* (Teleostei, Ophichthidae) off Northern Namibia. *Mitteilungen aus dem Hamburgischen Zoologischen Museum und Institut* 102: 167-172

**Glossary to acronyms used in text:**

AC	Angola Current
ABFZ	Angola – Benguela Frontal Zone
BCLME	Benguela Current Large Marine Ecosystem
BENEFIT	Benguela Environmental and Fisheries Interaction Training programme
GCLME	Guinea Current Large Marine Ecosystem
INIP	Instituto Nacional de Investigação Pesqueira / National Institute of Fisheries Research (of Angola)
IOW	Institute of Baltic Sea Research, Warnemuende, Germany.
NML	Namibe Monitoring Line
SUC	Poleward Slope Undercurrent

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**Figure 1: Cruise track of leg AHAB 8**

**Figure 2: *Salinity* distribution on Transect 1**

**Figure 3: *Salinity* distribution on Transect 2**

**Figure 4: *Salinity* distribution on Transect 3**

**Figure 5: *Salinity* distribution on Transect 4 (Namibe Line)**

**Figure 6: Surface *temperature* distribution from the 4 transects**

**Figures 7, 8, 9, 10: *Dissolved oxygen* (ml/l) distribution on Transect 1, 2, 3 and 4**

**Figure 11: Surface distribution of nutrients *nitrate*, *phosphate* and *silicate* ( $\mu\text{mol/l}$ )**

**Figures 12, 13, 14 and 15: *Nitrate*, *phosphate* and *silicate* ( $\mu\text{mol/l}$ ) distribution on transects 1, 2, 3 and 4 respectively.**

**Figure 16, 17, 18 and 19: *Chlorophyll a* distribution ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ ) on transects 1, 2, 3 and 4 respectively.**

**Figure 20: van Veen grab (left) and underwater video system (right).**

**Figure 21: Sea fans (left) and brittle stars (right).**

**Table 1: Stations sampled for macrobenthos during AHAB-8.**

**Table 2: Total catch and abundance of fish larvae on 6 selected stations from transect 1.**

**Table 3: Stations sampled for macrozoobenthos during AHAB-8.**

**Appendix 1: Station details.**

**Appendix 2: Location of data, metadata and samples from Leg 8.**

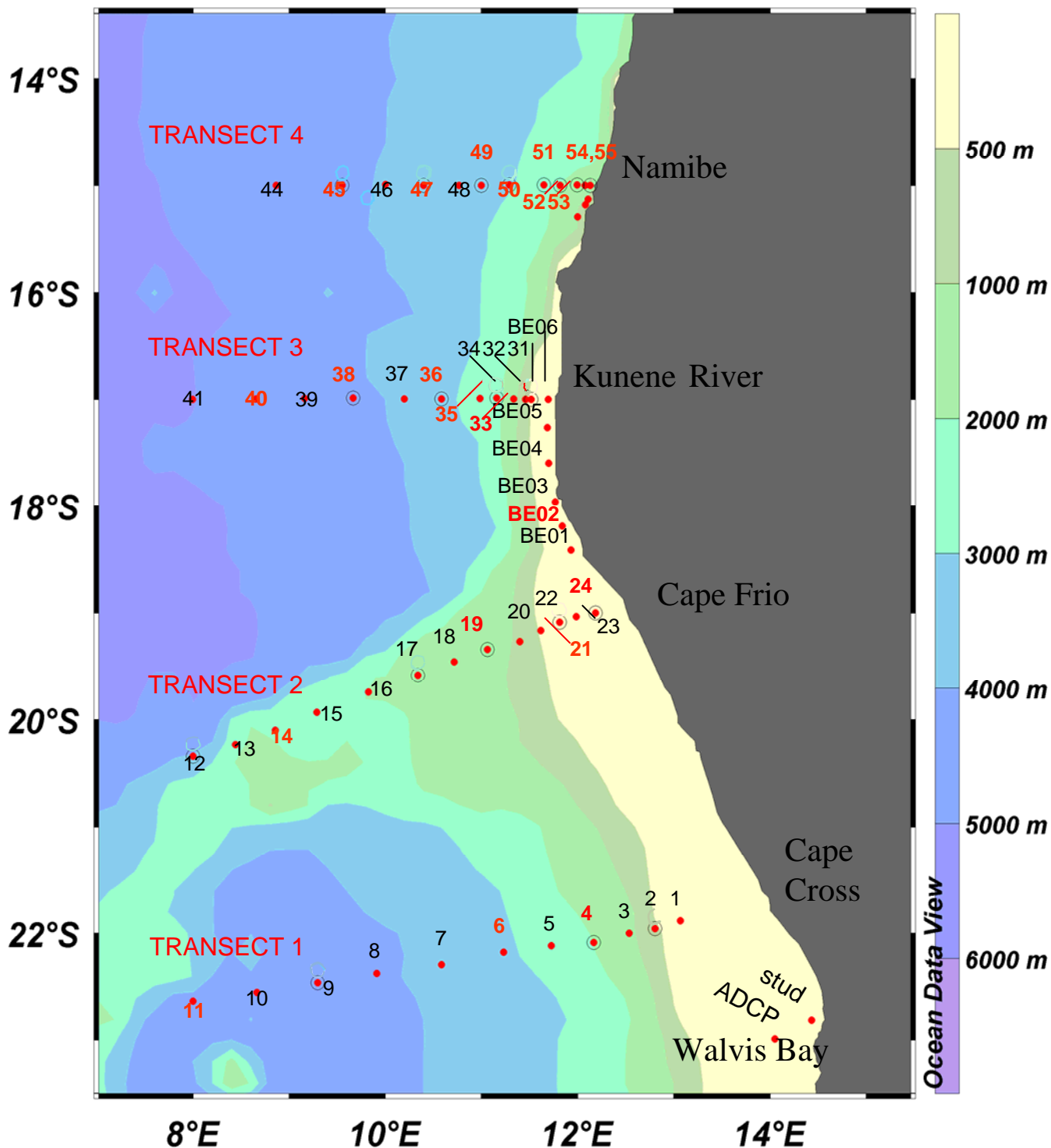


Figure 1: *R.V. Humboldt* Leg 8 station distribution map. Stations at which nutrient samples were taken are indicated in red.



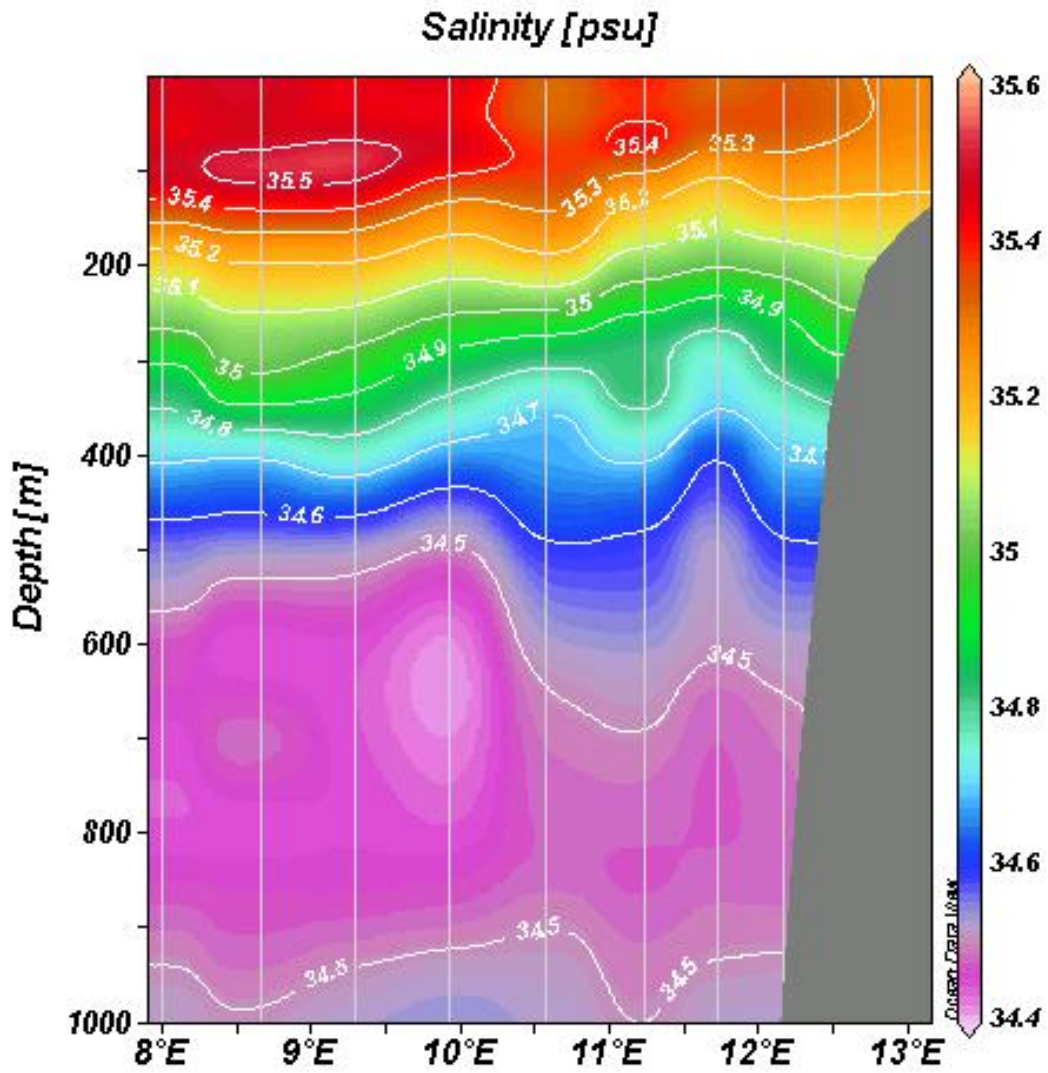


Figure 2: *Salinity* distribution on Transect 1

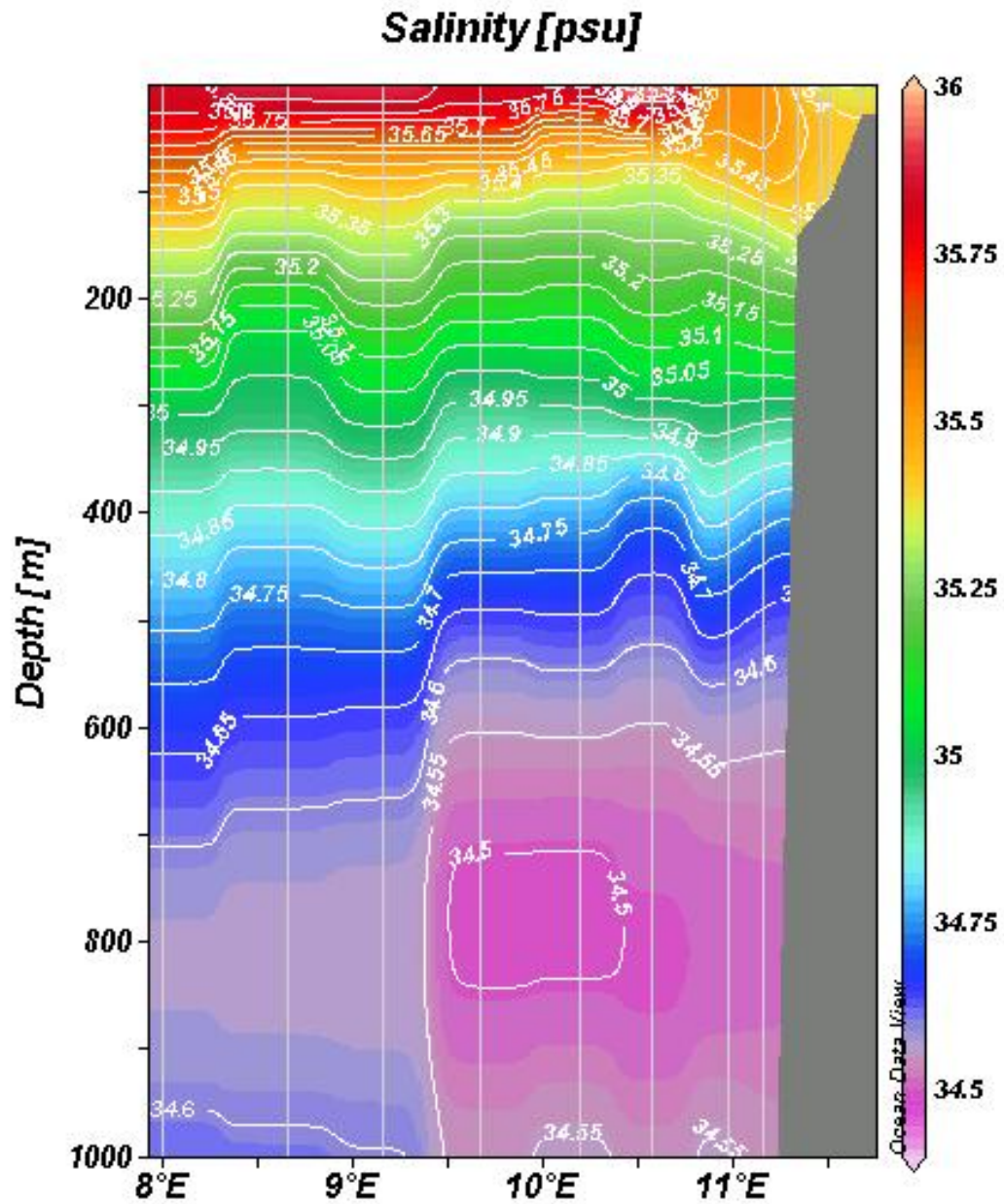


Figure 3: *Salinity* distribution on Transect 2

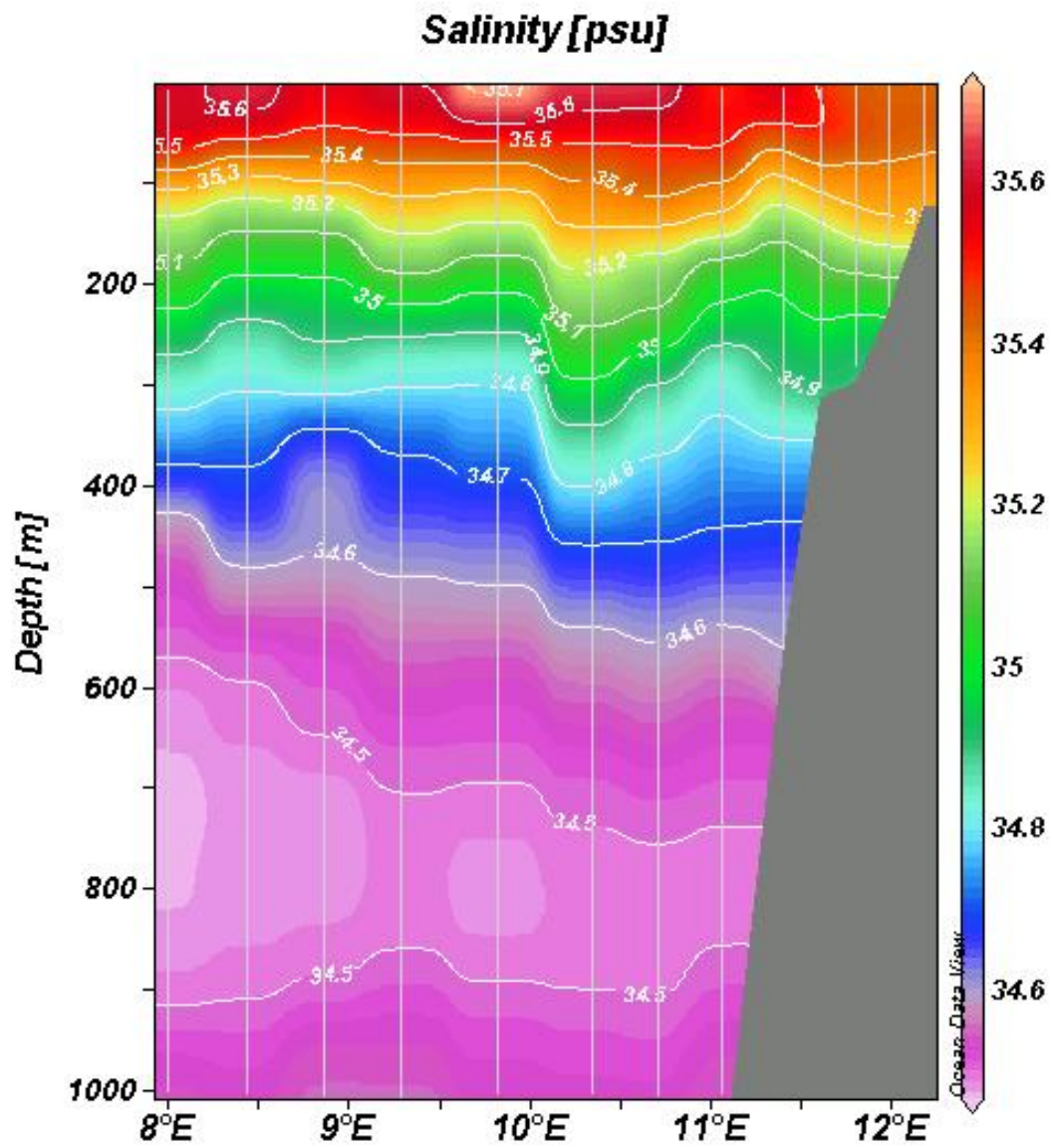


Figure 4: *Salinity* distribution on Transect 3

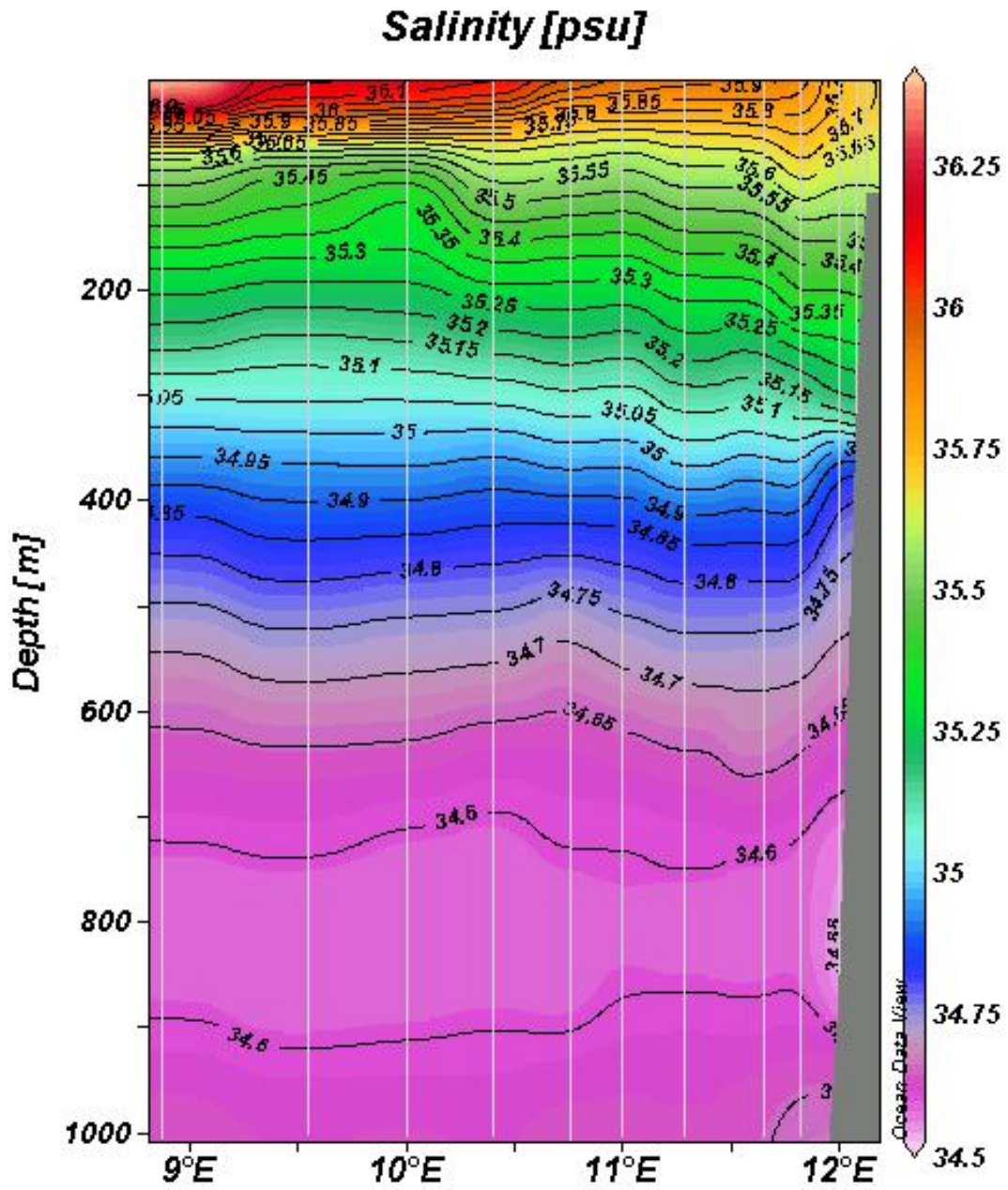
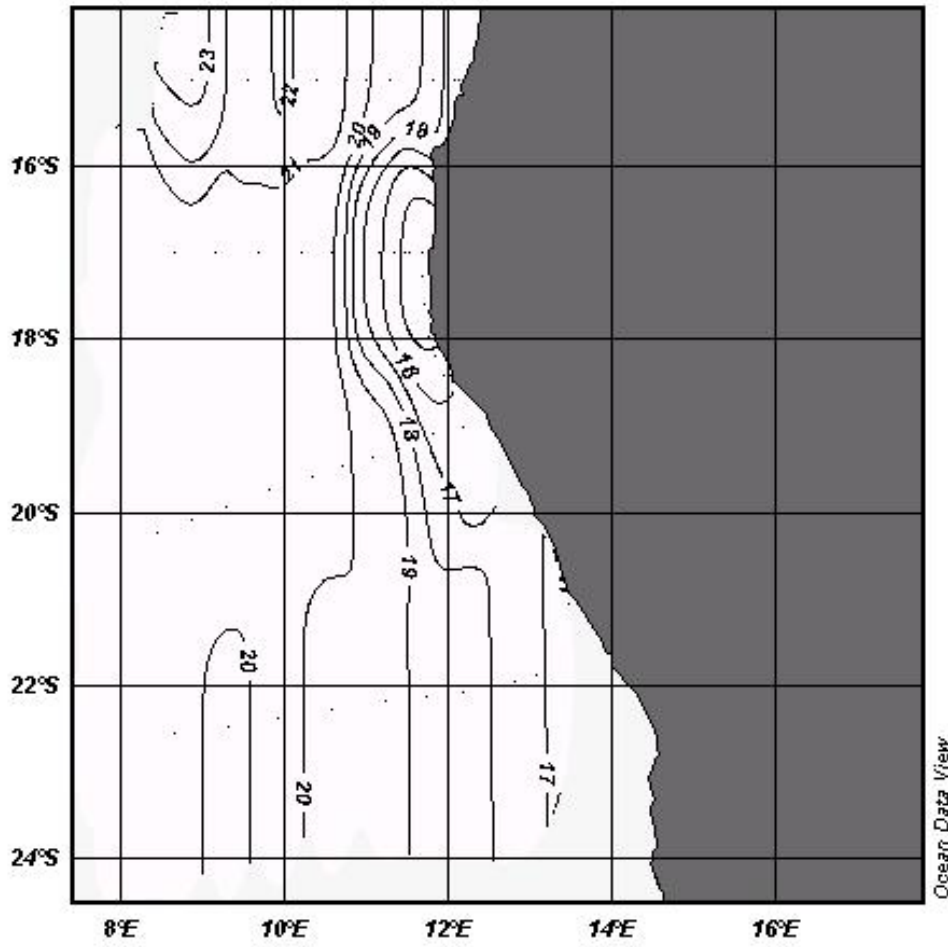


Figure 5: Salinity distribution on Transect 4 (Namibe Line)



**Temperature [ $^{\circ}$ C] on Depth [m]=10**



**Figure 6** Surface *temperature* distribution from the 4 transects

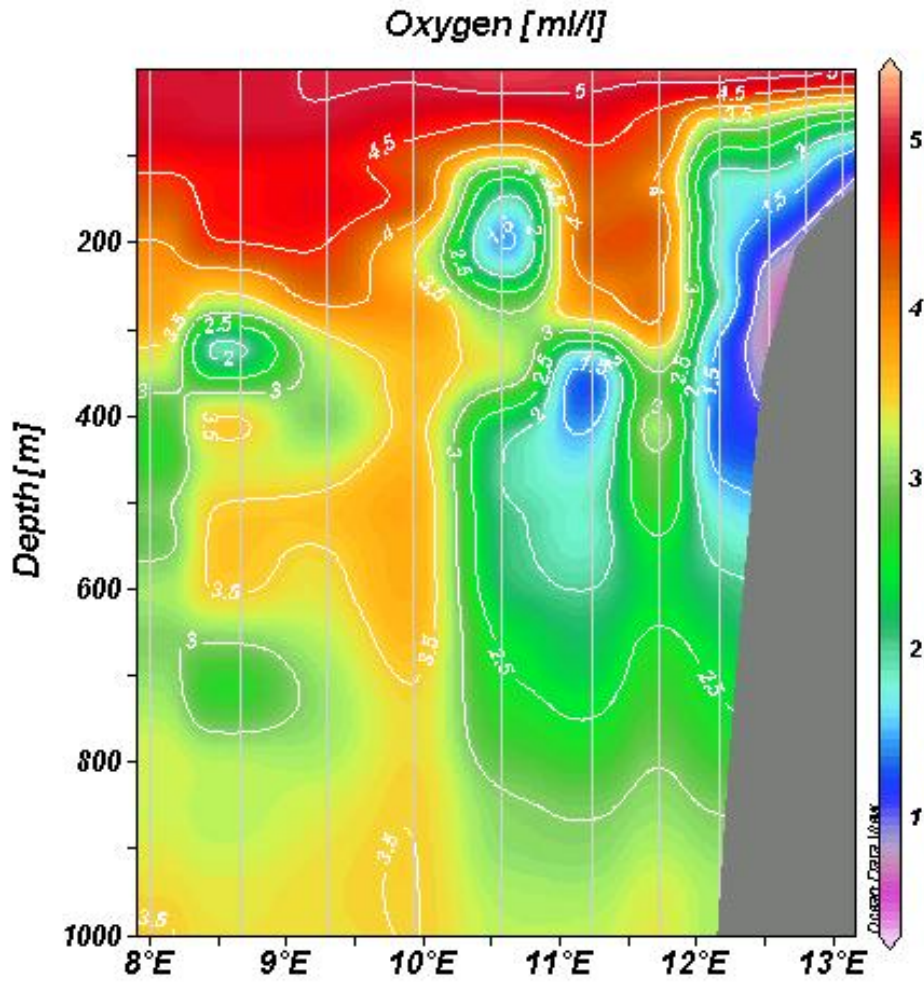


Figure 7 : Dissolved oxygen (ml/l) distribution on Transect 1

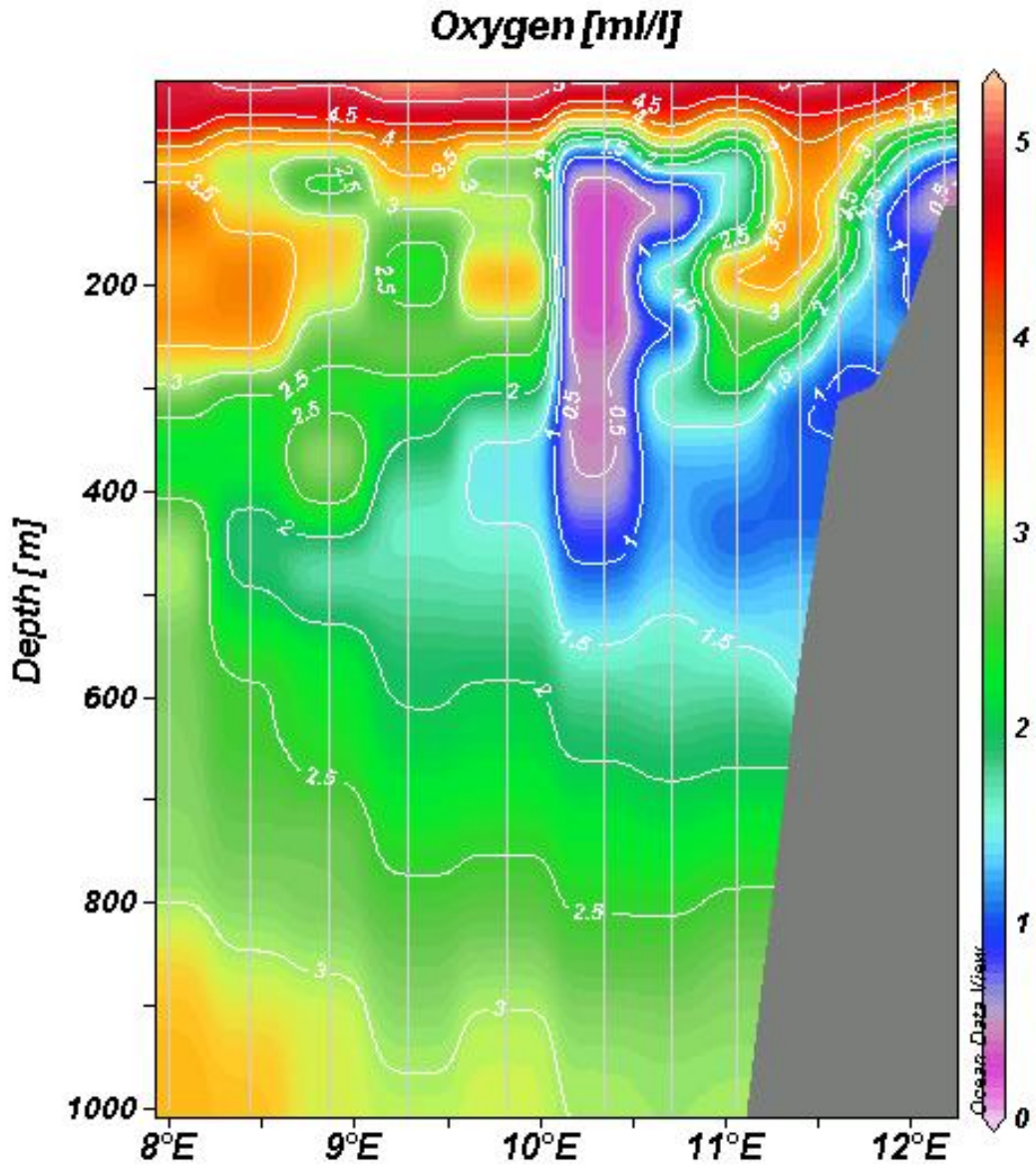


Figure 8 : Dissolved oxygen (ml/l) distribution on Transect 2

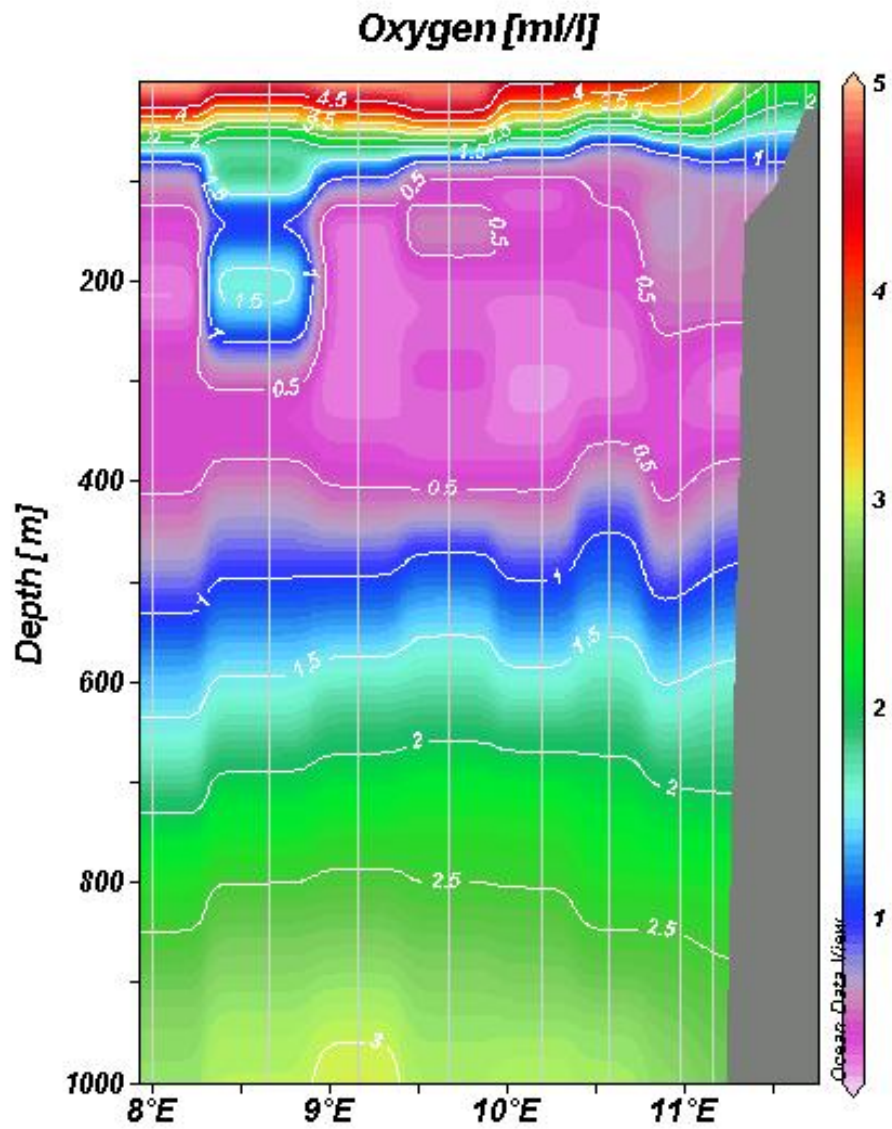


Figure 9 : Dissolved oxygen (ml/l) distribution on Transect 3



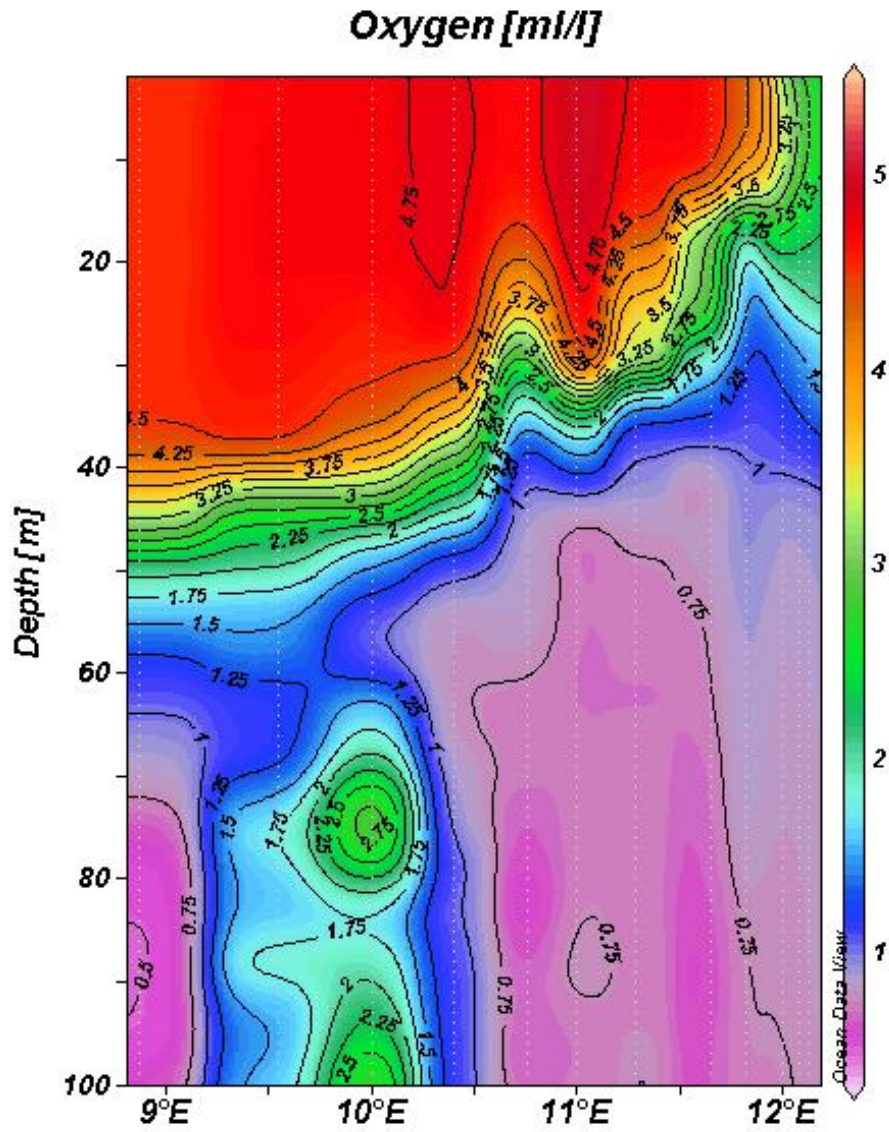
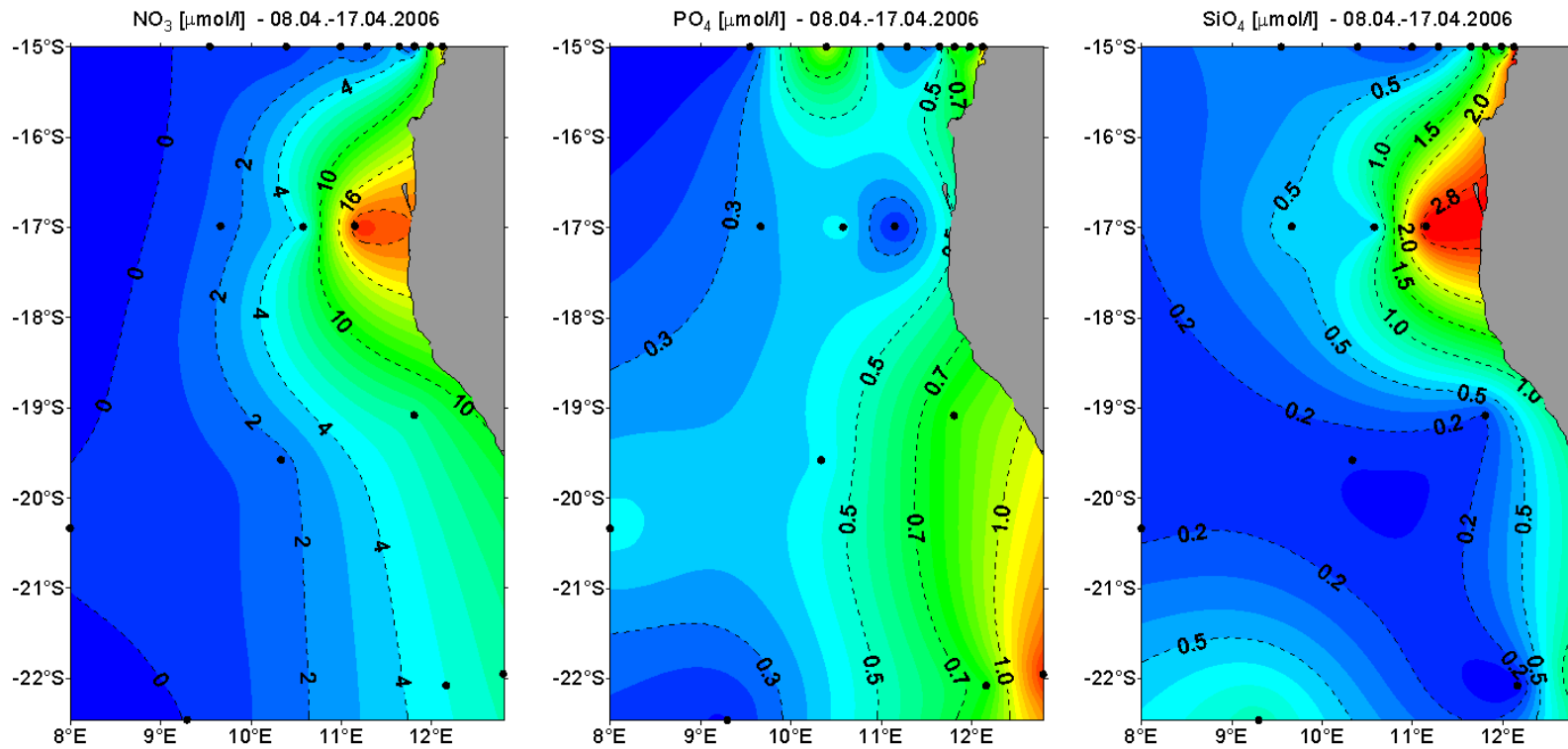


Figure 10 : Dissolved oxygen (ml/l) distribution on Transect 4

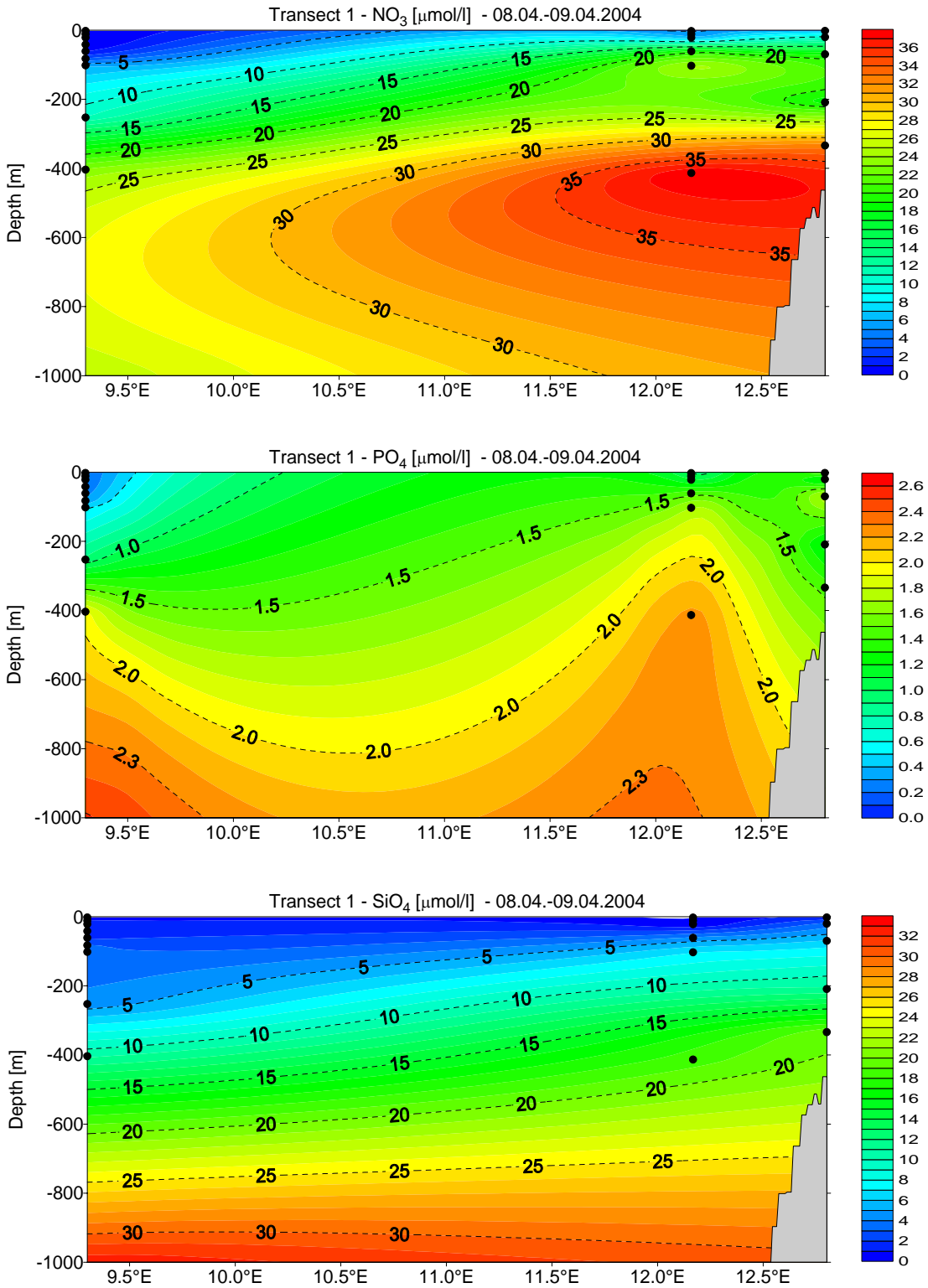
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Figure 11: Surface distribution of nutrients *nitrate*, *phosphate* and *silicate* ( $\mu\text{mol/l}$ )

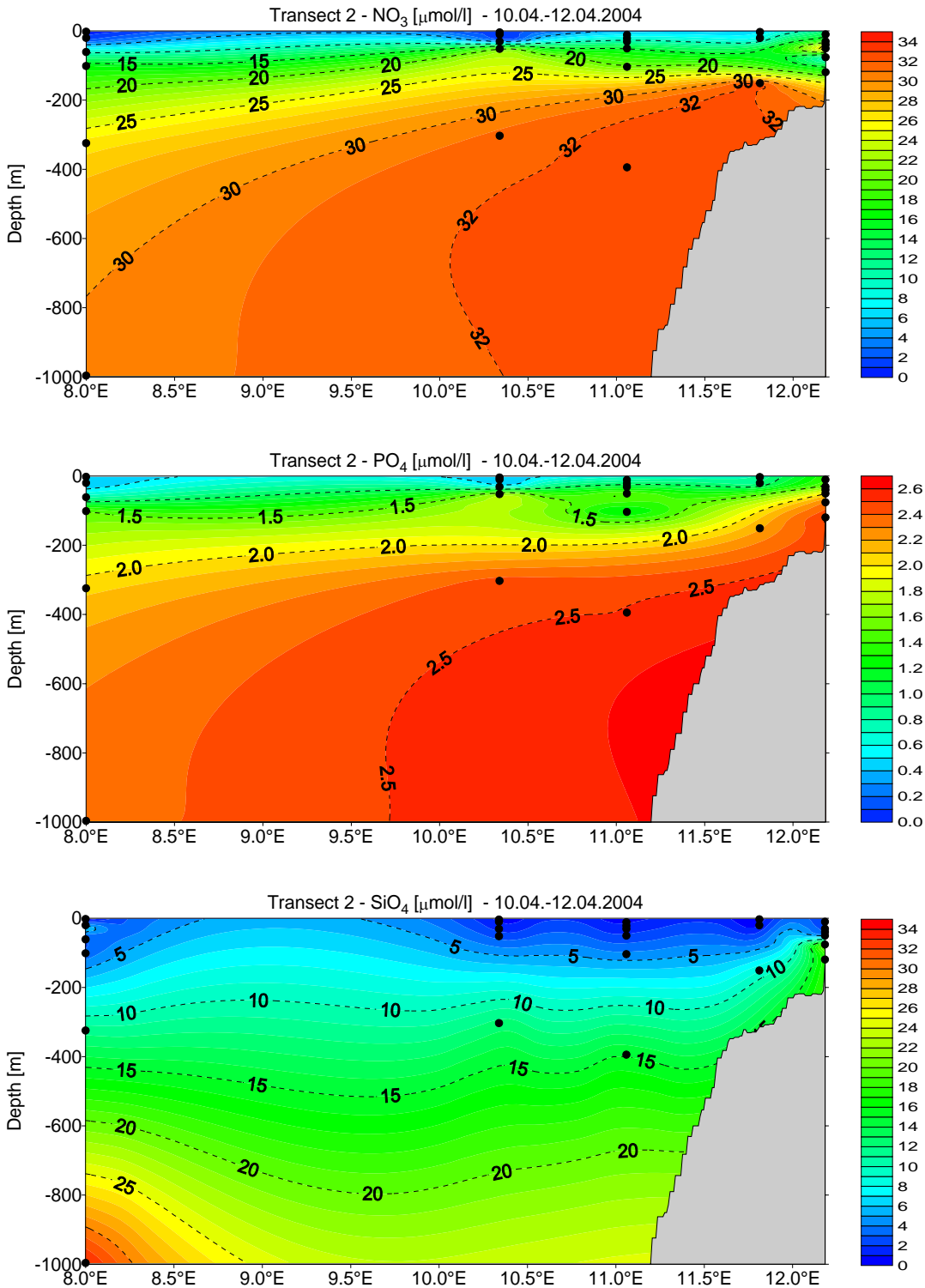
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**Figure 12:** Nitrate, phosphate and silicate ( $\mu\text{mol/l}$ ) distribution on transect 1.

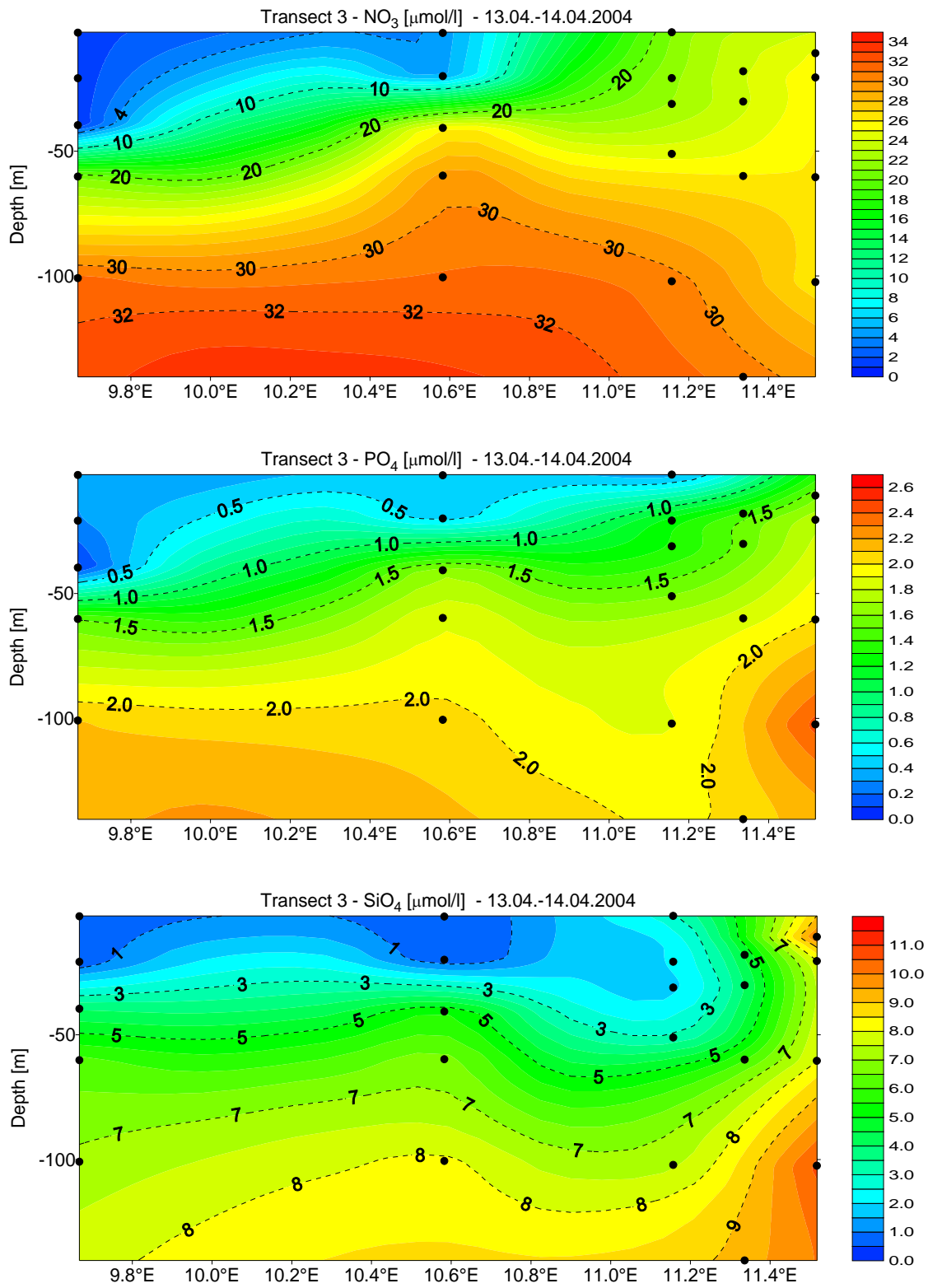
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**Figure 13:** Nitrate, phosphate and silicate ( $\mu\text{mol/l}$ ) distribution on transect 2.

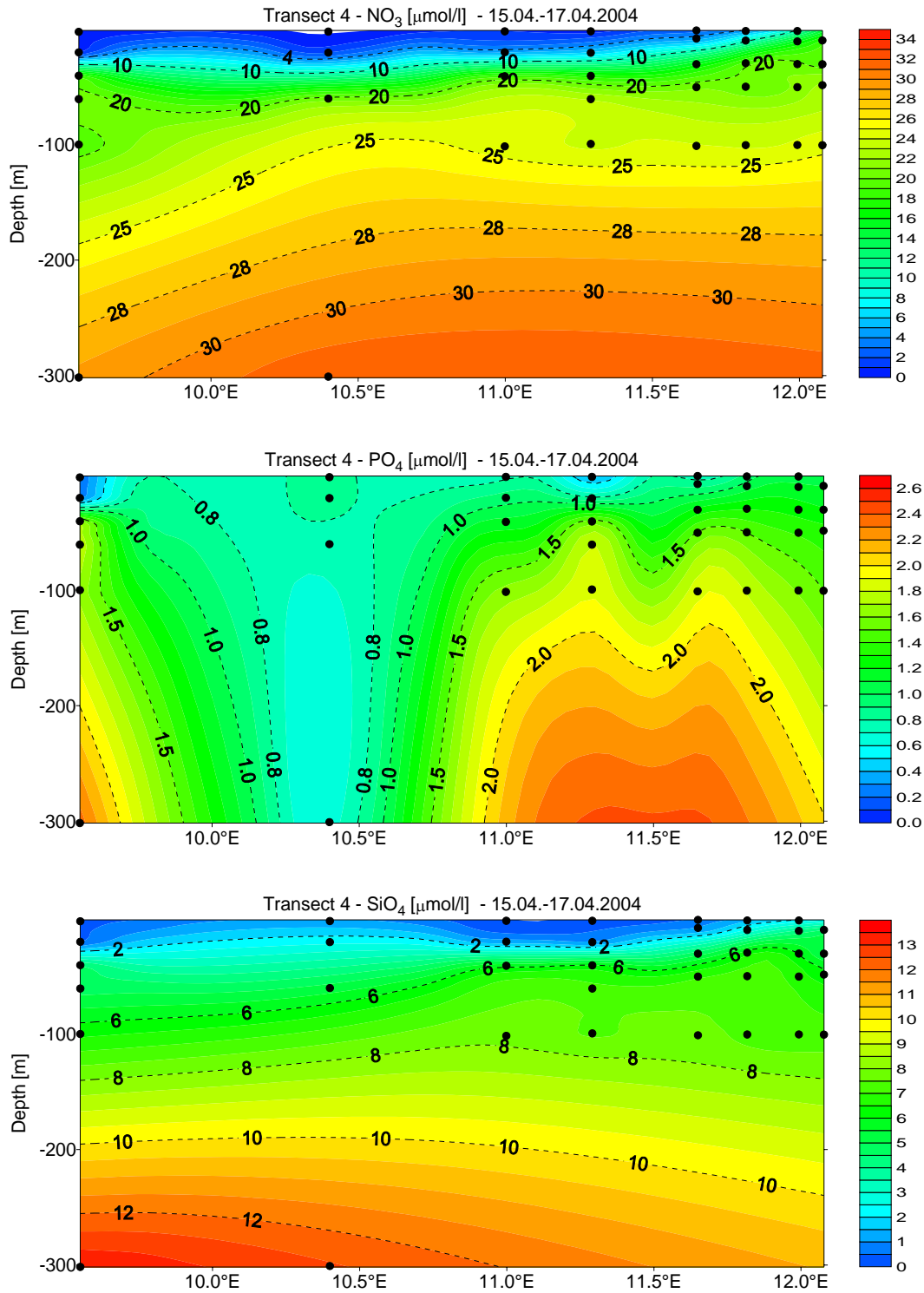
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**Figure 14:** Nitrate, phosphate and silicate ( $\mu\text{mol/l}$ ) distribution on transect 3.

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**Figure 15:** Nitrate, phosphate and silicate ( $\mu\text{mol/l}$ ) distribution on transect 2.

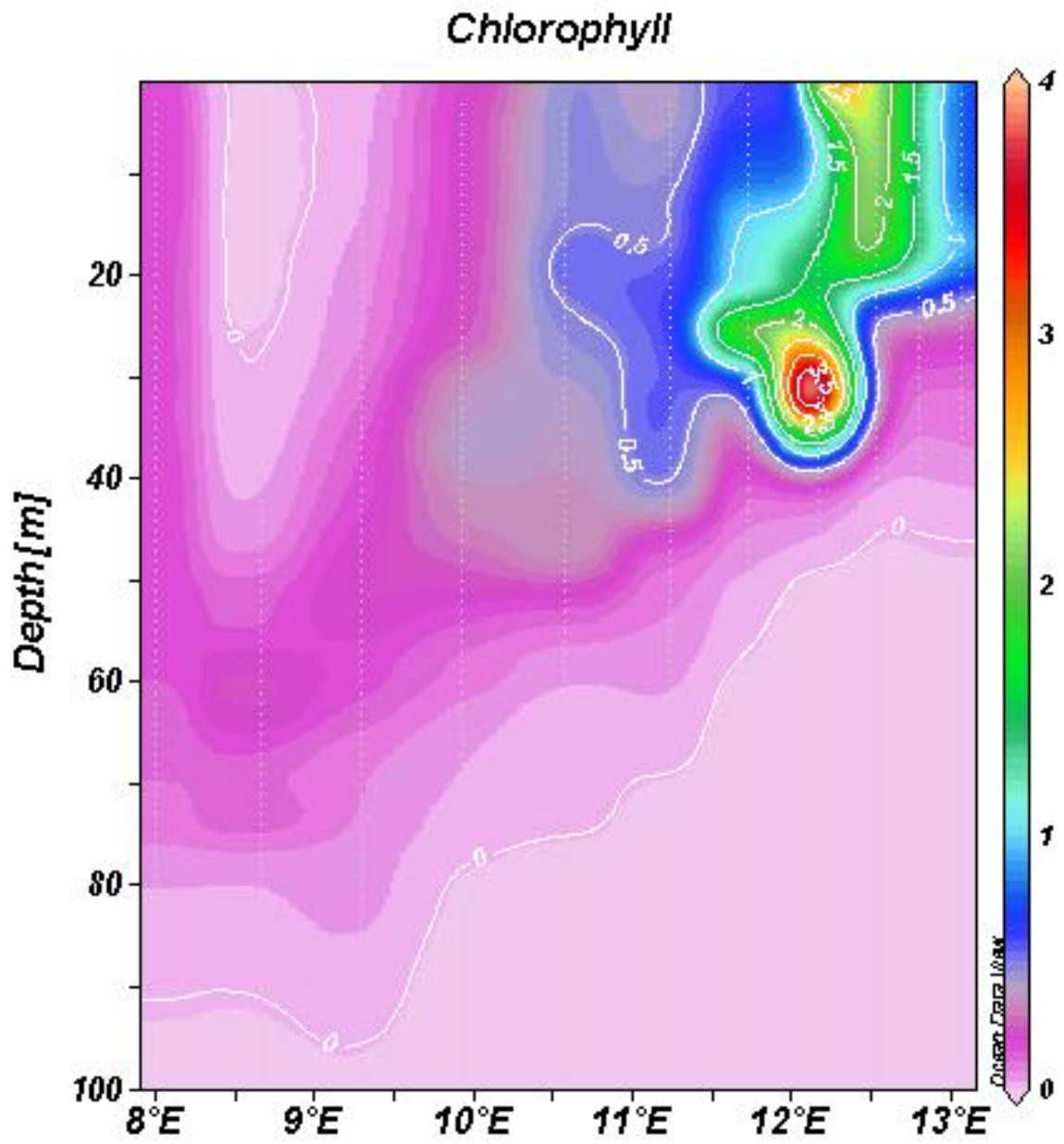


Figure 16: *Chlorophyll a* distribution ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ ) on transect 1.



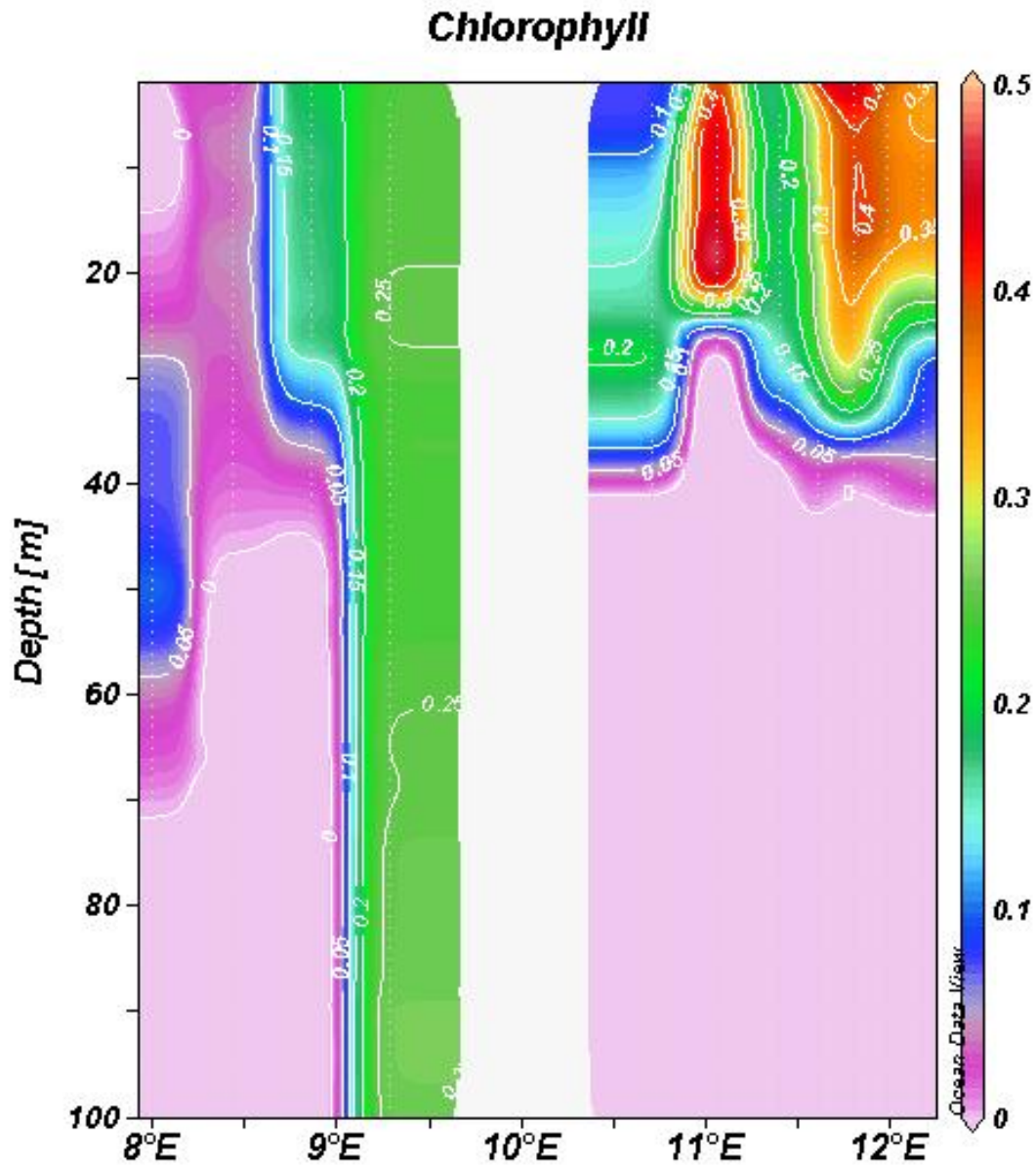


Figure 17 : *Chlorophyll a* distribution ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ ) on transect 2.



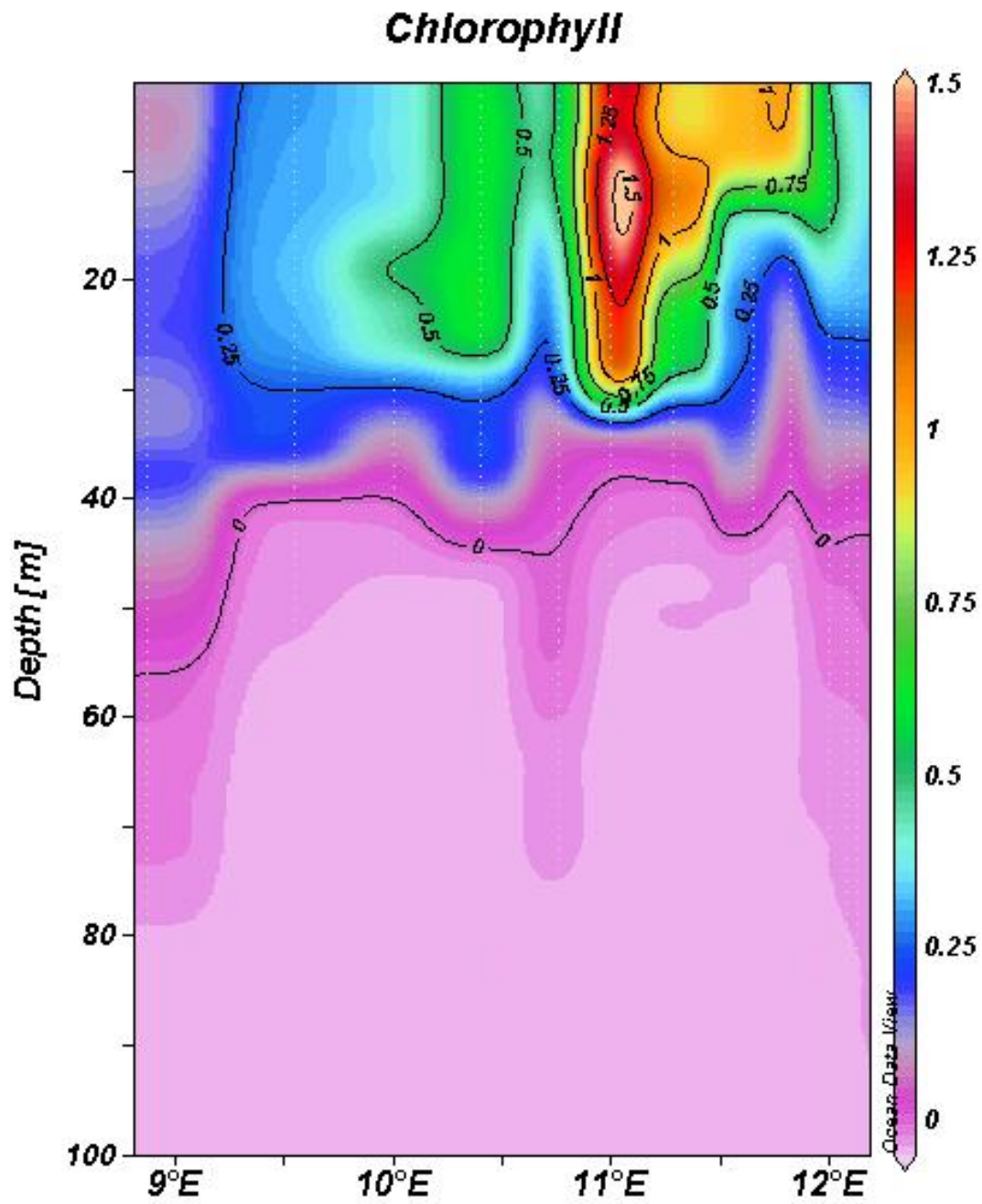


Figure 18: *Chlorophyll a* distribution ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ ) on transect 3.

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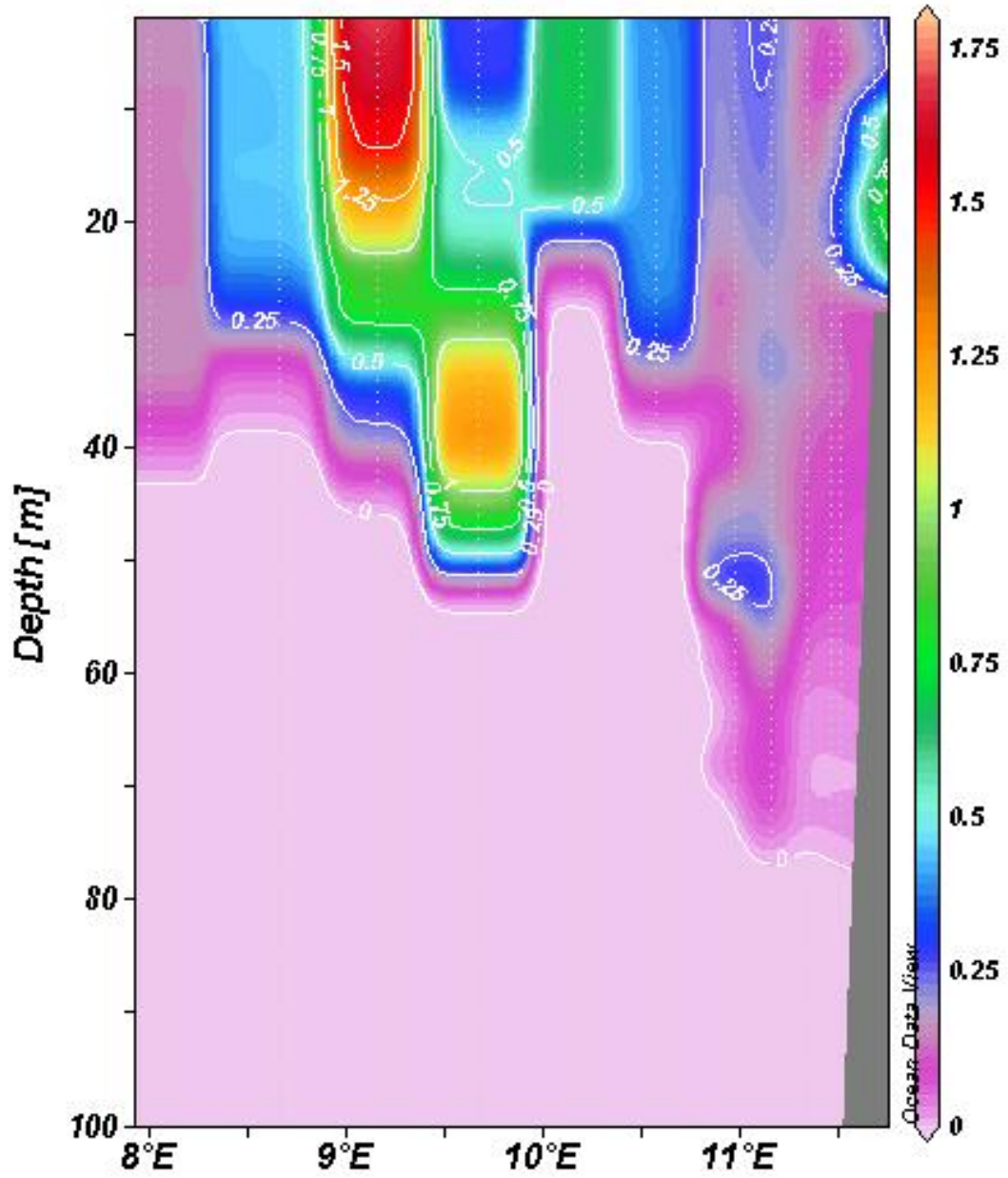


Figure 19: *Chlorophyll a* distribution ( $\mu\text{g/l}$ ) on transect 4.

## Appendix 1: Station details.

Station Name	Station Number	Date	Time h:m:s	Latitude [deg_N]	Longitude [deg_E]	Bot. Depth [m]	Depth [m]	Temperature [C]	Salinity [ppt]	Oxygen [ml/l]	Chl JGOFs [ug/l]	NO3 Nitrate [uM]	NO2 Nitrite [uM]	NH4 Ammonia [uM]	PO4 Phosphate [uM]	SiO4 Silicate [uM]	Remarks
stud	1	05/05/2004	10:12:52	-22.80955	14.43138	48.1	1.6	15.638	35.238	4.53							
stud	1	05/05/2004	10:12:52	-22.80955	14.43138	48.1	10.4	14.489	35.247	3.919							
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stud	1	05/05/2004	10:12:52	-22.80955	14.43138	48.1	40.5	12.794	35.227	0.041							
stud	1	05/05/2004	10:12:52	-22.80955	14.43138	48.1	46.4	12.798	35.225	0.025							
stud	1	05/05/2004	10:57:23	-22.80947	14.43145	48.1	2.2	15.942	35.235	4.973							
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stud	1	05/05/2004	10:57:23	-22.80947	14.43145	48.1	40.4	12.79	35.226	0.033							
stud	1	05/05/2004	10:57:23	-22.80947	14.43145	48.1	45.2	12.791	35.225	0.017							
ADCP	2	05/07/2004	14:02:26	-22.9934	14.0477	129.9	3.8	15.884	35.224	7.365							
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4	6	05/08/2004	10:46:31	-22.08398	12.1685	1690.8	413.8	7.729	34.677	1.202	24.29	0.01	0.4	1.83	7		
4	6	05/08/2004	10:46:31	-22.08398	12.1685	1690.8	1000.1	3.855	34.533	3.303	37.94	0.01	0.4	2.26	18.49		
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Station Name	Station Number	Date	Time h:m:s	Latitude [deg_N]	Longitude [deg_E]	Bot. Depth [m]	Depth [m]	Temperature [C]	Salinity [ppt]	Oxygen [ml/l]	Chl JGOFs	NO3 Nitrate	NO2 Nitrite	NH4 Ammonia	PO4 Phosphate	SiO4 Silicate	Remarks
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7	9	05/09/2004	0:20:32	-22.29258	10.58385	3716.1	0.9	19.357	35.31	5.303							
7	9	05/09/2004	0:20:32	-22.29258	10.58385	3716.1	194.5	12.557	35.172	1.322							
7	9	05/09/2004	0:20:32	-22.29258	10.58385	3716.1	350.3	8.796	34.69	3.651							
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12	14	05/10/2004	11:34:02	-20.34068	7.9998	3162.4	10.1	20.892	35.56	5.064	0.22						
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12	14	05/10/2004	11:34:02	-20.34068	7.9998	3162.4	996.6	3.808	34.55	3.552		30.26	0.04	0.15	2.35	33.39	
13	15	05/10/2004	16:06:13	-20.23212	8.44102	2059	3.3	20.444	35.624	5.304							
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14	16	05/10/2004	20:25:10	-20.09985	8.85815	2279.2	3.2	20.521	35.545	5.256	0.46						
14	16	05/10/2004	20:25:10	-20.09985	8.85815	2279.2	10.3	20.525	35.544	5.254	0.56						
14	16	05/10/2004	20:25:10	-20.09985	8.85815	2279.2	21.3	20.483	35.537	5.245	0.54						
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15	17	05/11/2004	0:43:34	-19.93332	9.2902	2360.2	326.7	8.833	34.731	2.273							
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17	19	05/11/2004	10:40:14	-19.58293	10.33937	1378.6	4.4	20.278	35.651	5.485	1.74	1.61	0.08	0.73	0.41	0.11	
17	19	05/11/2004	10:40:14	-19.58293	10.33937	1378.6	10.7	20.269	35.65	5.491	1.77	1.63	0.09	0.63	0.41	0.11	
17	19	05/11/2004	10:40:14	-19.58293	10.33937	1378.6	21.7	20.163	35.647	5.437	1.88						

17	19	05/11/2004	10:40:14	-19.58293	10.33937	1378.6	31.0	19.933	35.625	5.229	1.28	1.81	0.09	1.4	0.47	0.16	
17	19	05/11/2004	10:40:14	-19.58293	10.33937	1378.6	40.9	17.471	35.54	4.483	0.25						
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17	19	05/11/2004	10:40:14	-19.58293	10.33937	1378.6	52.2	15.943	35.53	1.789	0.14	22.2	0.16	0.63	1.79	2.86	
17	19	05/11/2004	10:40:14	-19.58293	10.33937	1378.6	303.5	10.408	34.959	0.54		31.23	0.01	0.24	2.44	12.92	
17	19	05/11/2004	10:40:14	-19.58293	10.33937	1378.6	962.6	4.102	34.516	3.055							
18	20	05/11/2004	14:26:54	-19.4572	10.71527	1199.9	4.0	20.407	35.663	5.228	0.73						
18	20	05/11/2004	14:26:54	-19.4572	10.71527	1199.9	11.4	20.402	35.661	5.215	0.71						
18	20	05/11/2004	14:26:54	-19.4572	10.71527	1199.9	20.5	20.407	35.662	5.208	0.74						
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22	24	05/12/2004	3:25:16	-19.08817	11.81252	297.1	41.4	16.543	35.476	3.166	0.2						
22	24	05/12/2004	3:25:16	-19.08817	11.81252	297.1	50.8	16.029	35.504	2.186	0.08						
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23	25	05/12/2004	5:39:36	-19.03255	11.98335	224.6	10.5	17.654	35.435	5.031	0.92						
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23	25	05/12/2004	5:39:36	-19.03255	11.98335	224.6	51.5	16.151	35.402	3.885	0.34						
23	25	05/12/2004	5:39:36	-19.03255	11.98335	224.6	83.8	14.932	35.473	0.683							
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24	26	05/12/2004	7:56:07	-18.99985	12.1837	123.6	3.3	16.527	35.423	4.229	2.64						
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24	26	05/12/2004	7:56:07	-18.99985	12.1837	123.6	40.2	15.885	35.471	2.338	0.83	25.49	2.29	0.3	1.76	3.21	
24	26	05/12/2004	7:56:07	-18.99985	12.1837	123.6	50.9	15.289	35.489	0.818	0.1	27.51	0.99	0.33	2	4.3	
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BE01	27	05/12/2004	11:49:46	-18.41428	11.93165	48.4	4.0	14.494	35.351	1.886	1.11						
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BE02	28	05/12/2004	16:41:45	-18.1908	11.84132	30.5	26.6	14.275	35.352	1.506							
BE03	29	05/12/2004	20:02:43	-17.96058	11.7686	44.3	1.7	14.228	35.346	1.846							
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34	42	05/14/2004	18:49:09	-16.99868	8.65883	4700	1003.1	3.996	34.548	3.099									
35	43	05/14/2004	23:32:58	-16.99993	7.99757	4915	2.2	20.705	35.746	5.128									
35	43	05/14/2004	23:32:58	-16.99993	7.99757	4915	201.1	12.202	35.166	0.293									
35	43	05/14/2004	23:32:58	-16.99993	7.99757	4915	1000.5	4.079	34.555	2.966									

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A36	44	05/15/2004	13:03:38	-14.99962	8.86782	4479	10.7	23.239	36.326	4.648		29.3	0.01	0.36	2.35	13.48	
A36	44	05/15/2004	13:03:38	-14.99962	8.86782	4479	75.4	14.883	35.481	0.661							
A36	44	05/15/2004	13:03:38	-14.99962	8.86782	4479	349.1	9.563	34.88	0.4							
A36	44	05/15/2004	13:03:38	-14.99962	8.86782	4479	1004.4	4.057	34.578	2.959							
A37	45	05/15/2004	18:17:58	-15.00017	9.55072	4095	2.4	21.739	36.079	4.831							
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A37	45	05/15/2004	18:17:58	-15.00017	9.55072	4095	41.2	18.432	35.771	2.952	0.73						
A37	45	05/15/2004	18:17:58	-15.00017	9.55072	4095	50.9	16.422	35.6	1.607	0.72	0.53	0.09	0.7	0.23	0.39	
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A37	45	05/15/2004	18:17:58	-15.00017	9.55072	4095	100.0	13.594	35.289	1.795	0.16						
A37	45	05/15/2004	18:17:58	-15.00017	9.55072	4095	301.8	10.251	34.96	0.522	0.14	20.97	0.41	0.42	1.79	4.78	
A37	45	05/15/2004	18:17:58	-15.00017	9.55072	4095	999.6	4.149	34.564	2.844		19	0.04	0.43	1.66	6.38	
A38	46	05/15/2004	22:47:43	-14.99303	10.00202	3841	2.9	22.284	36.057	4.851							
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A38	46	05/15/2004	22:47:43	-14.99303	10.00202	3841	302.2	10.066	34.933	0.342							
A38	46	05/15/2004	22:47:43	-14.99303	10.00202	3841	994.6	4.133	34.555	2.893							
A39	47	05/16/2004	2:17:21	-14.99965	10.39907	3566	2.4	21.514	36.036	4.941	1.85	0.24	0.01		0.21	1	
A39	47	05/16/2004	2:17:21	-14.99965	10.39907	3566	10.6	21.502	36.032	4.941	2.06						
A39	47	05/16/2004	2:17:21	-14.99965	10.39907	3566	20.8	21.512	36.03	4.933	1.99	0.23	0.03		0.25	1.17	
A39	47	05/16/2004	2:17:21	-14.99965	10.39907	3566	30.5	21.123	35.966	4.878	2.24						
A39	47	05/16/2004	2:17:21	-14.99965	10.39907	3566	59.9	15.597	35.56	0.852	0.16	21.56	0.39		1.75	0.62	
A39	47	05/16/2004	2:17:21	-14.99965	10.39907	3566	300.6	10.591	34.996	0.408							
A39	47	05/16/2004	2:17:21	-14.99965	10.39907	3566	1001.8	4.12	34.562	2.896							
A40	48	05/16/2004	6:09:01	-15.0005	10.7664	3240.7	1.6	22.054	36.006	4.792							
A40	48	05/16/2004	6:09:01	-15.0005	10.7664	3240.7	76.8	14.776	35.472	0.416							
A40	48	05/16/2004	6:09:01	-15.0005	10.7664	3240.7	315.6	10.453	34.98	0.399							
A40	48	05/16/2004	6:09:01	-15.0005	10.7664	3240.7	999.2	4.075	34.568	2.979							
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A41	49	05/16/2004	9:01:08	-15.00052	10.99867	3079.3	10.2	19.936	35.876	5.232	4.06						
A41	49	05/16/2004	9:01:08	-15.00052	10.99867	3079.3	19.9	19.697	35.837	5.088	4.04	2.23	0.16	1.51	0.36	0.33	
A41	49	05/16/2004	9:01:08	-15.00052	10.99867	3079.3	29.8	17.579	35.671	2.111	0.42						
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A41	49	05/16/2004	9:01:08	-15.00052	10.99867	3079.3	50.9	15.36	35.54	0.665	0.15						
A41	49	05/16/2004	9:01:08	-15.00052	10.99867	3079.3	102.0	14.199	35.416	0.783		24.35	0.03	1.62	1.89	7.86	
A41	49	05/16/2004	9:01:08	-15.00052	10.99867	3079.3	321.0	9.985	34.93	0.459							
A41	49	05/16/2004	9:01:08	-15.00052	10.99867	3079.3	1001.6	4.071	34.562	2.969							
A42	50	05/16/2004	13:24:00	-14.99753	11.29082	2782.7	2.1	20.036	35.877	4.877	2.4	0.49	0.17	2.41	0.29	0.31	
A42	50	05/16/2004	13:24:00	-14.99753	11.29082	2782.7	10.5	19.934	35.872	4.783	2.97						
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A42	50	05/16/2004	13:24:00	-14.99753	11.29082	2782.7	30.6	17.429	35.684	1.606	2.6						
A42	50	05/16/2004	13:24:00	-14.99753	11.29082	2782.7	40.4	16.245	35.61	0.86	0.45	17.49	0.39	1.86	1.72	6.17	
A42	50	05/16/2004	13:24:00	-14.99753	11.29082	2782.7	50.7	15.759	35.58	0.708	0.18						
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A42	50	05/16/2004	13:24:00	-14.99753	11.29082	2782.7	99.7	14.521	35.452	0.82		23.71	0.02	1.3	1.87	7.4	
A42	50	05/16/2004	13:24:00	-14.99753	11.29082	2782.7	350.1	9.791	34.911	0.36							
A42	50	05/16/2004	13:24:00	-14.99753	11.29082	2782.7	1000.2	4.186	34.578	2.822							
A43	51	05/16/2004	18:20:27	-14.99725	11.65023	1943.2	1.8	20.253	35.916	4.843	2.39	3.43	0.21	1.49	0.34	0.67	
A43	51	05/16/2004	18:20:27	-14.99725	11.65023	1943.2	8.3	20.2	35.91	4.779	2.83	3.66	0.19	1.32	0.42	0.47	
A43	51	05/16/2004	18:20:27	-14.99725	11.65023	1943.2	20.6	17.941	35.719	2.874	2.22						
A43	51	05/16/2004	18:20:27	-14.99725	11.65023	1943.2	30.5	17.415	35.695	1.559	2.61	15.86	0.38	2.6	1.53	4.61	
A43	51	05/16/2004	18:20:27	-14.99725	11.65023	1943.2	41.9	16.531	35.65	0.767	0.5						
A43	51	05/16/2004	18:20:27	-14.99725	11.65023	1943.2	50.5	15.839	35.587	0.723	0.23	21.2	0.04	1.06	1.81	6.93	
A43	51	05/16/2004	18:20:27	-14.99725	11.65023	1943.2	101.3	14.406	35.438	0.74		24.25	0.01	0.91	1.88	7.71	
A43	51	05/16/2004	18:20:27	-14.99725	11.65023	1943.2	350.2	9.787	34.907	0.398							
A43	51	05/16/2004	18:20:27	-14.99725	11.65023	1943.2	1001.8	4.225	34.57	2.797							

A44	52	05/16/2004	21:59:34	-14.9986	11.81747	1405.4	2.1	19.474	35.846	4.264	2.81	0.63	0.01	1.3	0.92	1.71	
A44	52	05/16/2004	21:59:34	-14.9986	11.81747	1405.4	10.1	18.865	35.796	3.51	3.18	10.24	0.01	1.13	1.55	2.73	
A44	52	05/16/2004	21:59:34	-14.9986	11.81747	1405.4	20.4	17.561	35.744	1.281	1.05						
A44	52	05/16/2004	21:59:34	-14.9986	11.81747	1405.4	29.8	17.187	35.721	1.113	0.19	20.38	0.02	1.11	1.56	6.9	
A44	52	05/16/2004	21:59:34	-14.9986	11.81747	1405.4	40.5	16.856	35.694	1.016	0.24						
Station Name	Station Number	Date	Time h:m:s	Latitude [deg_N]	Longitude [deg_E]	Bot_Depth [m]	Depth [m]	Temperature [C]	Salinity [ppt]	Oxygen [ml/l]	Chl JGOFs	NO3 Nitrate	NO2 Nitrite	NH4 Ammonia	PO4 Phosphate	SiO4 Silicate	Remarks
A44	52	05/16/2004	21:59:34	-14.9986	11.81747	1405.4	49.9	16.676	35.677	0.959	0.1	19.32	0.01	0.85	1.62	7.24	
A44	52	05/16/2004	21:59:34	-14.9986	11.81747	1405.4	100.7	15.364	35.541	0.726		23.22	0.01	0.81	1.82	7.29	
A44	52	05/16/2004	21:59:34	-14.9986	11.81747	1405.4	350.1	10.245	34.958	0.449							
A44	52	05/16/2004	21:59:34	-14.9986	11.81747	1405.4	1003.1	4.168	34.603	2.879							
A45	53	05/17/2004	1:46:24	-14.99743	11.99273	886.3	2.1	17.993	35.646	4.516	3.79	12.14	0.11	0.96	0.61	0.93	
A45	53	05/17/2004	1:46:24	-14.99743	11.99273	886.3	11.2	17.511	35.391	2.977	3.65	16.9	0.14	0.98	1.12	4.43	
A45	53	05/17/2004	1:46:24	-14.99743	11.99273	886.3	20.6	16.822	35.498	1.292	2.41						
A45	53	05/17/2004	1:46:24	-14.99743	11.99273	886.3	30.6	16.706	35.613	1.095	1.42	21.35	0.09	0.91	1.28	6.26	
A45	53	05/17/2004	1:46:24	-14.99743	11.99273	886.3	40.4	16.445	35.481	0.932	0.83						
A45	53	05/17/2004	1:46:24	-14.99743	11.99273	886.3	50.5	16.306	35.431	0.869	0.67	21.08	0.04	0.91	1.42	6.88	
A45	53	05/17/2004	1:46:24	-14.99743	11.99273	886.3	100.3	15.189	35.398	0.721		24.93	0.02	0.91	1.48	7	
A45	53	05/17/2004	1:46:24	-14.99743	11.99273	886.3	350.4	8.878	34.776	0.536							
A45	53	05/17/2004	1:46:24	-14.99743	11.99273	886.3	871.9	4.54	34.564	2.606							
A46	54	05/17/2004	5:42:24	-15.0016	12.07815		2.1	17.421	35.595	2.744	1.37						
A46	54	05/17/2004	5:42:24	-15.0016	12.07815		10.0	17.271	35.502	2.677	1.38	18.29	0.15	1.09	1.1	4.64	
A46	54	05/17/2004	5:42:24	-15.0016	12.07815		20.2	17.353	35.395	2.209	1.41						
A46	54	05/17/2004	5:42:24	-15.0016	12.07815		30.6	17.003	35.511	1.951	1.72	19.41	0.12	1.17	1.21	5.02	
A46	54	05/17/2004	5:42:24	-15.0016	12.07815		39.7	16.764	35.565	0.933	0.42						
A46	54	05/17/2004	5:42:24	-15.0016	12.07815		48.6	16.394	35.448	0.864	0.57	22.47	0.12	0.94	1.34	6.1	
A46	54	05/17/2004	5:42:24	-15.0016	12.07815		101.0	15.632	35.451	0.748		24.55	0.02	0.86	1.5	7.33	
A46	54	05/17/2004	5:42:24	-15.0016	12.07815		320.9	11.005	35.159	0.602							
A47	55	05/17/2004	8:14:48	-14.99912	12.12958	107.8	2.0	17.131	35.674	2.334		18.33	0.25	0.48	1.37	3.92	
A47	55	05/17/2004	8:14:48	-14.99912	12.12958	107.8	10.2	17.105	35.673	2.342	1.91	19.14	0.22	0.14	1.56	5.48	
A47	55	05/17/2004	8:14:48	-14.99912	12.12958	107.8	20.7	16.996	35.668	2.19	2.24						
A47	55	05/17/2004	8:14:48	-14.99912	12.12958	107.8	30.1	16.857	35.664	1.966	2.15	18.96	0.21	0.24	1.49	5.47	
A47	55	05/17/2004	8:14:48	-14.99912	12.12958	107.8	40.0	16.682	35.66	1.496	0.59						
A47	55	05/17/2004	8:14:48	-14.99912	12.12958	107.8	50.5	16.255	35.635	0.974	0.41	20.78	0.14	0.14	1.75	7.07	
A47	55	05/17/2004	8:14:48	-14.99912	12.12958	107.8	104.3	15.757	35.588	0.793		21.99	0.12	0.24	1.73	7.69	
BE14	56	05/17/2004	10:39:13	-15.12913	12.10863	82.4	2.6	16.904	35.642	2.464							
BE14	56	05/17/2004	10:39:13	-15.12913	12.10863	82.4	79.8	16.014	35.607	0.943							
BE15	57	05/17/2004	12:14:57	-15.18073	12.08212	37.9	2.5	16.633	35.644	1.725							
BE15	57	05/17/2004	12:14:57	-15.18073	12.08212	37.9	35.1	16.236	35.631	0.902							
BE16	58	05/17/2004	14:56:22	-15.29255	12.0005	67.1	2.4	18.682	35.739	3.923							
BE16	58	05/17/2004	14:56:22	-15.29255	12.0005	67.1	62.9	15.928	35.605	0.818							



**Appendix 2: Location of metadata, data and samples from Leg 8**

Parameters collected	German contact	Local contact	Samples / data
Physical Ocng - T,S, ADCP Chemical Ocng - Oxygen, nutrients	Stefan Weinreben IOW, Warnemuende Bodo von Bodungen IOW, Warnemuende	Fernando Gombo (Namibe) Francisco de Almeida (Luanda)	<i>CD was provided and put onto the Angolan databank</i>
Remote sensing data	Herbert Siegel? IOW, Warnemuende	n/a	n/a
Ships meteorological data	Bodo von Bodungen	n/a	n/a
Chl a / pigment samples	Bodo von Bodungen	Domingos da Silva (Luanda)	Samples from 28 stations
Phytoplankton samples	Bodo von Bodungen	Domingos da Silva (Luanda) / J. Muai, S. Silva and I. Rangel	
Zooplankton samples	H.C. John, Sven Hoffmann Senckenberg Univ. Hamburg	Alice Chicunga (Namibe) Duplicate set to Domingas Paim (Luanda)	6 stations from Namibe M.L. Identification to finish July 06
Ichthyoplankton samples	H.C. John, Sven Hoffmann Data flagged until published . Samples, data available freely soon.	Wasaso Domingos (Luanda) Anja Kreiner, NatMIRC Namibia	6 stations from Namibe M.L. Identification to finish July 06
Sediment samples Benthos samples	Michael Zettler IOW, Warnemuende	Duplicate set given to Lia Neto Catherine Isibor, GCLME Nigeria	Occasional samples taken No local replicate set in Angola