Sea-Bed Photography

During Charles Darwin 84 cruise the POL bed-hopping camera was deployed in 860m of water in position 49°23.28'N 11°39.22'W at 20:17 hours on 20th Jan 94, one hour before the deployment of STABLE II. A total of 31 exposures were taken of which 11 were completely obscured by clouds of sediment. These clouds of re-suspended material were caused by the impact of the camera-mounted frame on the sea-bed.

A selection of the photographs are shown on the following pages. Each of the photographs is approximately 1.3x2.0x2.0 m across the front, back and from front to back respectively. All photographs show the bed to be of a silt/mud composition.



















