Activity Summary

Cruise biolum2009

Project Bioluminescence 2009

Northwest Providence Channel

2009/07/24 08:00:00 EDT - 2009/07/24 11:30:00 EDT

Bioluminescence in the Deep-Sea Benthos

JSL2-3687

Activity Vitals

Dates/Times/Depth **Bndg Coordinates** Start 2009/07/24 08:00:00 North 26 24.5 N End 2009/07/24 11:30:00 South 26 24.5 N 77 48.4 W Time zone EDT East MaxDepth (m) 2280 West 77 48.4 W

Operating Depth 2224-2280

Range (m)

Participants

Edie Widder, Forward Observer Erika Raymond, Aft Observer

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Overall Dive Site Ratings

1=low, 10=high

Uniqueness No rating
Health No rating
Disturbance No rating
Biodiversity No rating

Relief Variation (m)

Objectives

Deploy Eye in the Sea camera system.

Collect specimens for bioluminesence testing.

observe bioluminesence.

Dive Track Description

Dive started on sandy slope. Moved up and over slope until we found a flat spot to deploy ORCA's Eye-in-the-Sea. When we set down on bottom raised huge cloud of silt. Current lees than 0.1 kt so to a lonk time to clear. Very sparse life but high diversity mostly along low rocky ledges. Holes in rocks contained individual shrimp. One had a large cusk eel. Collected spiral coral, sea cucumbers, crinoids. Saw a couple (or one twice) 6-gill sharks, a few euphausiids and small viperfish and bathocyroe in water column. Very little BL on bottom. More in water column.

System(s)

Johnson Sea Link II

Data Collected

Multimedia

CTD not working

Biological Comments

No biological comment recorded.

Geological Comments

No geological comment recorded.

Living Habitat Structure	Living	Habitat	t Structure	
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Sediments

Geomorphology

Anthropogenics

Type % Cover Nothing recorded

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Living Marine Resources Abundance

None (0) Single (1) Few (2-10) Many (11-100) Abundant (>100)

Nothing recorded

Observations and Comments on Living Marine Resources

No other comments.

Unique or Rare Vertebrates

Unique or Rare Invertebrates
Nothing recorded.

Nothing recorded.

Fish Observation and Abundance

None (0) Single (1) Few (2-10) Many (11-100) Abundant (>100)

Nothing recorded

Other Comments/Notes

No additional comments.