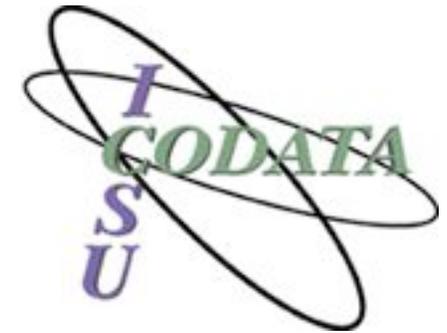




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OCEAN TRACKING NETWORK DATA POLICY AND MANAGEMENT METHODS

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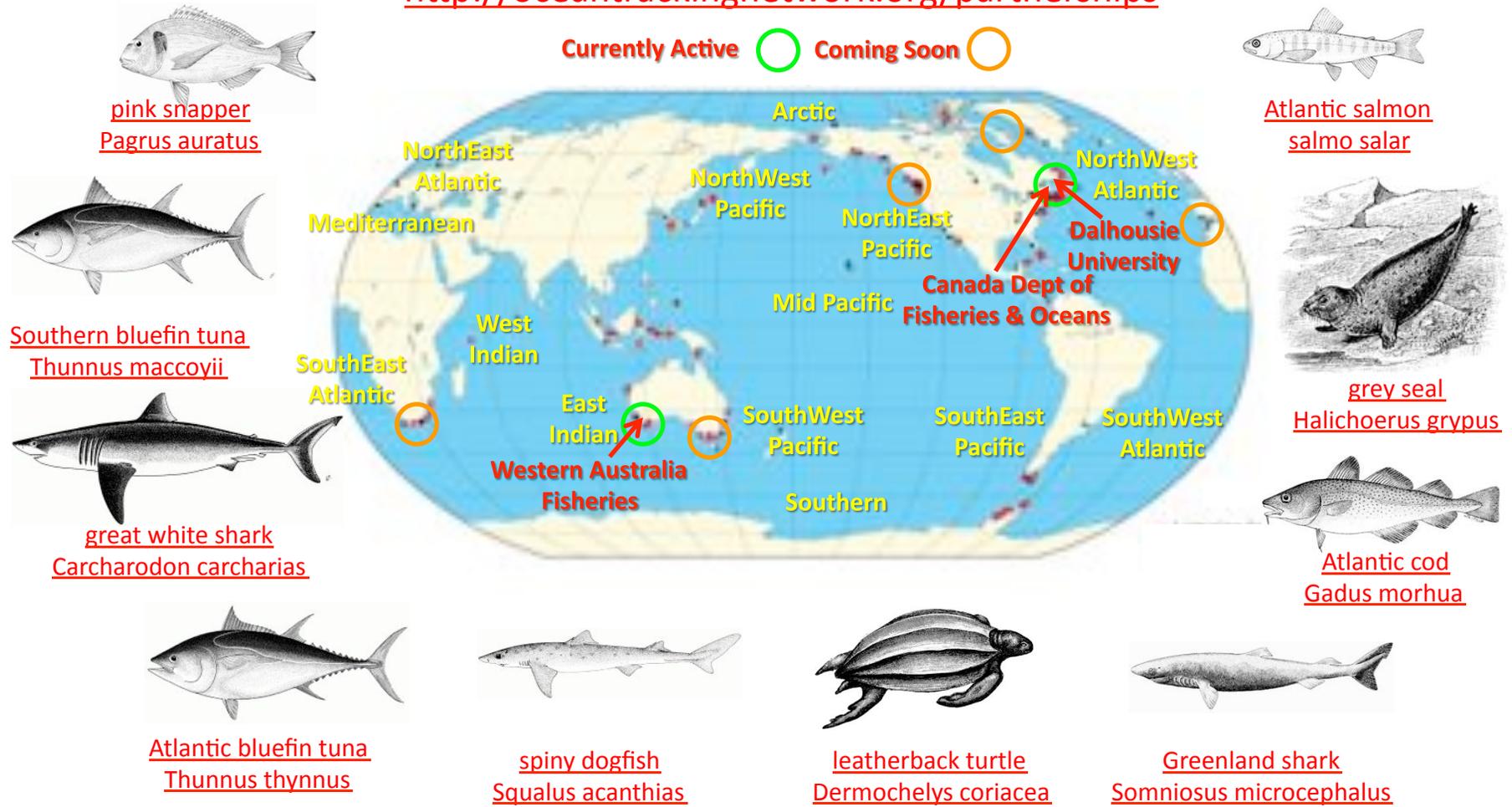


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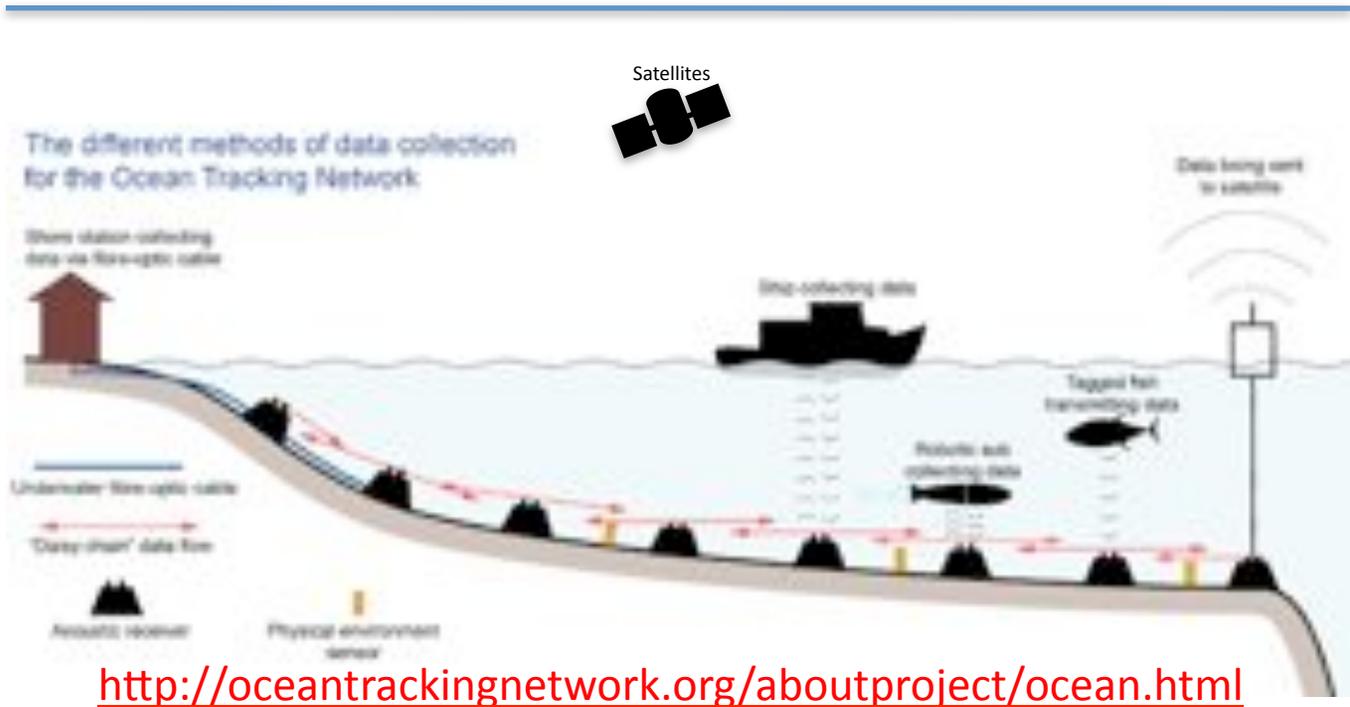
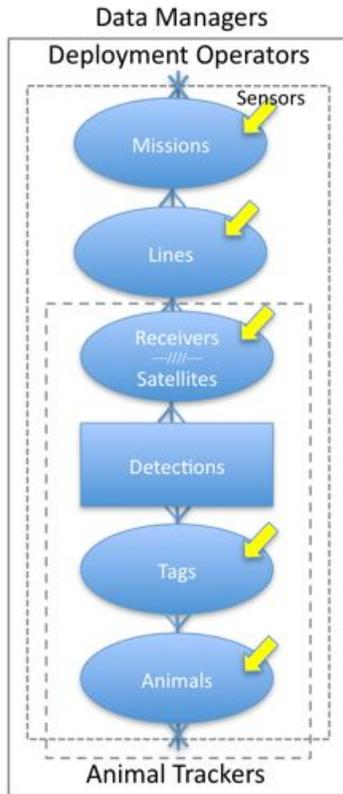
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A Technical Overview



<http://oceantrackingnetwork.org/aboutproject/ocean.html>



acoustic tags¹



acoustic receivers¹



acoustic mooring assemblies²



satellite tags³

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A NW Atlantic Overview



<http://www.marinebiodiversity.ca/OTN/data/data-collection/Risk Mitigation>

OTN's Data policy...

- A) **DEFINITIONS** - “Deployment Collaborators”, “Tracking Collaborators”, “Restricted Data” “Unrestricted Data” ...
- B) **DATA SUBMISSION** - Deployment Collaborators are responsible for ensuring that data are uploaded in accordance with predefined OTN standards ...
- C) **RESTRICTED DATA SUBMISSION** - Tracking Collaborators shall be entitled to require that access to the data which they upload to OTN initially be restricted ...
- D) **ACCESS TO OTN DATA**
1. **Unrestricted Data** - Unrestricted public access to the OTN Portal is generally limited to static information products ...
 2. **Restricted Data** - Those who wish to access OTN data other than what is provided via www.oceantrackingnetwork.org are required to become a registered member/user ...
- E) **USE OF OTN DATA** - All individuals who access OTN Data shall provide proper attribution to all Data Providers ...
- F) **SUSTAINABILITY AND AVAILABILITY** - The OTN International Project Coordination Committee will be responsible for conducting periodic reviews of data management activities in each OTN region ...
- G) **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS** - Australian Acoustic Tracking And Monitoring System (AATAMS), Canadian Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO), Pacific Ocean Shelf Tracking (POST) Project, Ocean Yearbook 22

<http://www.marinebiodiversity.ca/OTN/policies/OTN-Data-Policy>

Definitions ...

Instrument data*

VUE Software Support

PLEASE READ: Important VUE Software Advisory

The new VEMCO User Environment (VUE) PC Software for initialization, configuration and data upload from VEMCO receivers allows users to combine data from multiple receivers of varying types into a single integrated database.

The current VUE release works with both VR2 and VR2W receivers. VUE is also able to import VR2 legacy data files created by VR2PC.

For VR2 users, VUE will work with your existing VR2PC reader and serial probe. Choose the link below to download and start using VUE today!

IMPORTANT: Users must upgrade to the latest version of VUE Software to use VR2Ws updated with the latest Firmware Version 2.0 (or greater). Please read the VR2W Customer Advisory.

NEW! VUE Software Version 1.8 Now Available!

This VUE release also includes files required for firmware upgrade. Enhancements made include:

- Added optional direct receiver offloading to CSV or VR2 formatted files
- Added CSV export formatting options
- Added chart display options
- Improved Windows 7 compatibility

Downloads for VUE:

- VUE Software Download
- Bluetooth® USB Adapter Drivers Notice (For Belkin Model F8T017)

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Collection Metadata**

* http://www.vemco.com/support/vue_support.php

** <http://www.marinebiodiversity.ca/OTN/data/data-collection/otn-data-sheet-catalogue>

Data Submission and Access ...

***Deployment Collaborators** must submit all deployment metadata and detection data.*

Citation, abstract, station locations, ^{DOI} deployment times, TagIDs and oceanographic observations are public.

Exact location of receivers and detection times are restricted.

***Trackers** wishing to access detections data must first submit all relevant release metadata.*

Citation, abstract, species, approximate ^{DOI} locations and start/end date of study and oceanographic observations are public.

TagIDs, tagging methods, biological observations, exact locations and times are restricted.

Metadata and detections are assembled into spatially enabled tracks and made restricted.

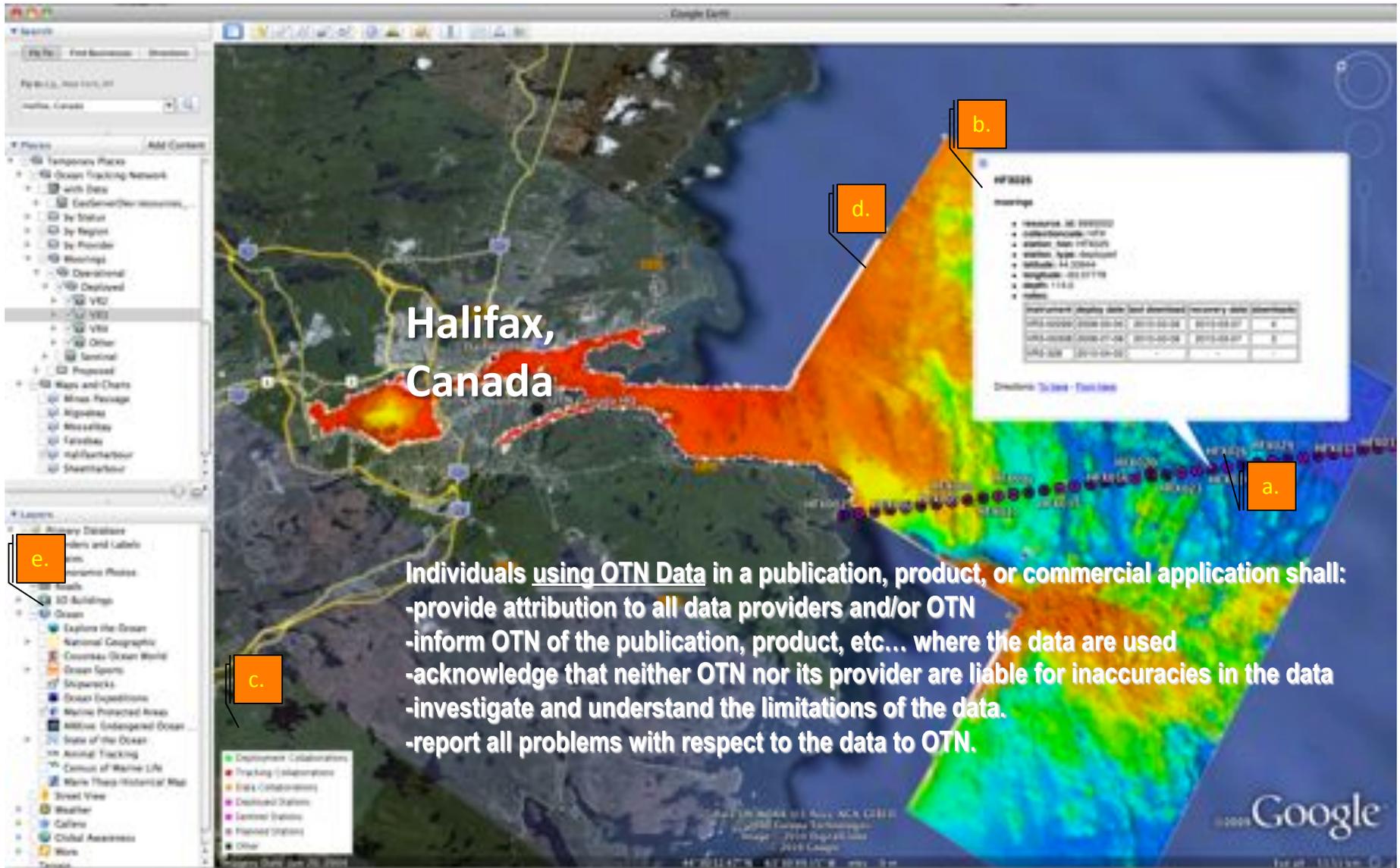
Start date of tracks are public. ^{DOI}

Trackers may control who can access restricted metadata, data and tracks for ~2 year after end of study.

Track details become unrestricted.

Anyone wishing to access private metadata, etc ... must register with OTN and execute a Data Use Agreement

Use of OTN Data ...



Individuals using OTN Data in a publication, product, or commercial application shall:

- provide attribution to all data providers and/or OTN
- inform OTN of the publication, product, etc... where the data are used
- acknowledge that neither OTN nor its provider are liable for inaccuracies in the data
- investigate and understand the limitations of the data.
- report all problems with respect to the data to OTN.

<http://www.marinebiodiversity.ca/OTN/data/google-earth-and-maps-products>

Sustainability and Availability...

Fisheries and Oceans Canada
www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca

Home > Science > Data and Products > Integrated Science Data Management.

Integrated Science Data Management (ISDM)

Providing Access to Ocean Data

ISDM's mandate is to manage and archive ocean data collected by DFO, or acquired through national and international programmes conducted in ocean areas adjacent to Canada, and to disseminate data, data products, and services to the marine community in accordance with the policies of the Department.

Programme Descriptions

- [Arco](#)
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- [Joint Commission on Oceanography Meteorology \(J-COMM\)](#)
- [Responsible National Oceanographic \(RNODC\)](#)
- [Ship of Opportunity Programme \(SOOP Implementation Plans\)](#)

Data Request Form

Requests for data, data products and additional information may be made online by completing the Data Request Form.

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RECENT NEWS

2010-09-21 Launch of the new OBIS web site imminent

2010-09-02 Prototype OBIS web site becomes available

2010-09-02 IOBIS node manager on study visit

2010-08-02 New Data on OBIS

2010-07-18 New members of staff

With our evolving OBIS database repository, users can identify biodiversity hotspots and track viable conservation patterns, establish dimensions of species over time and space, and...

Environmental Information

Species name	Chromaster polii
Authority	Stepien, Schroeder & Springer, 1992
Base	Taxon
Common name	Brain coral (brain coral)
Life history	Brain coral (brain coral)
Geographic coverage	11.000° - 12.000° N, 150.000° - 155.000° W
Temporal coverage	2000-01-01 - 2000-11-01
Abundance	00
Occurrence	00
Endemism	00

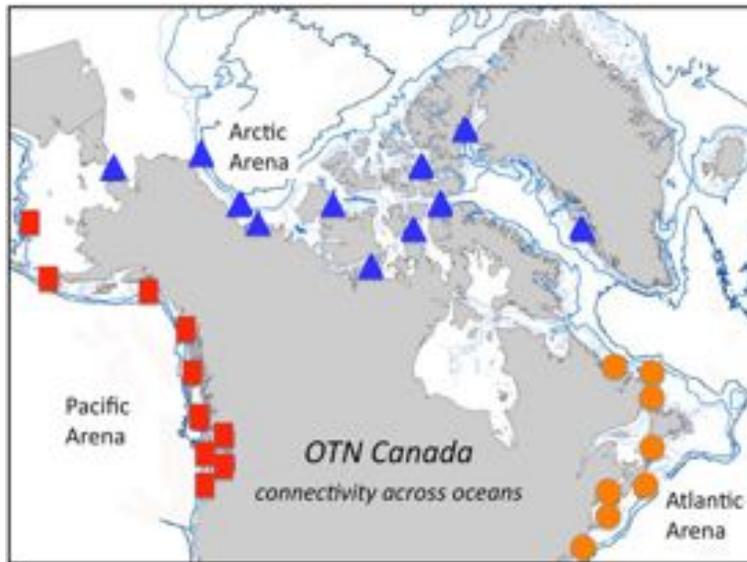
OBIS aims to document the ocean's diversity, distribution and abundance of life. Created by the Census of Marine Life, OBIS is now part of the International Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO, under its International Oceanographic Data and Information Exchange programme.

www.meds-sdmm.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/isdm-gdsi/index-eng.html

www.iobis.org

More on Canadian Ocean Science ...

OTN Canada - Understanding Species Movements, Interactions, and Environmental Variability Across Canada's Three Oceans (NSERC/SSHRC)



POKM – Platform for Ocean Knowledge Management (CANARIE)

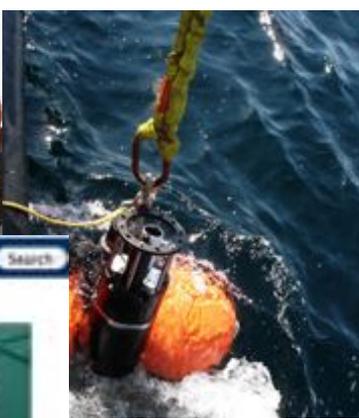
POST – Pacific Ocean Shelf Tracking (CoML)

Neptune - North-East Pacific Time-series Undersea Network Experiments (CFI)

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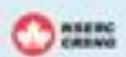
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Acoustic receiver assemblies lay on the deck of the fishing vessel Cape Rose ready for deployment on the OTN Minas Passage Line, July 14, 2010 (photo by Duncan Bates, OTN HQ)

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