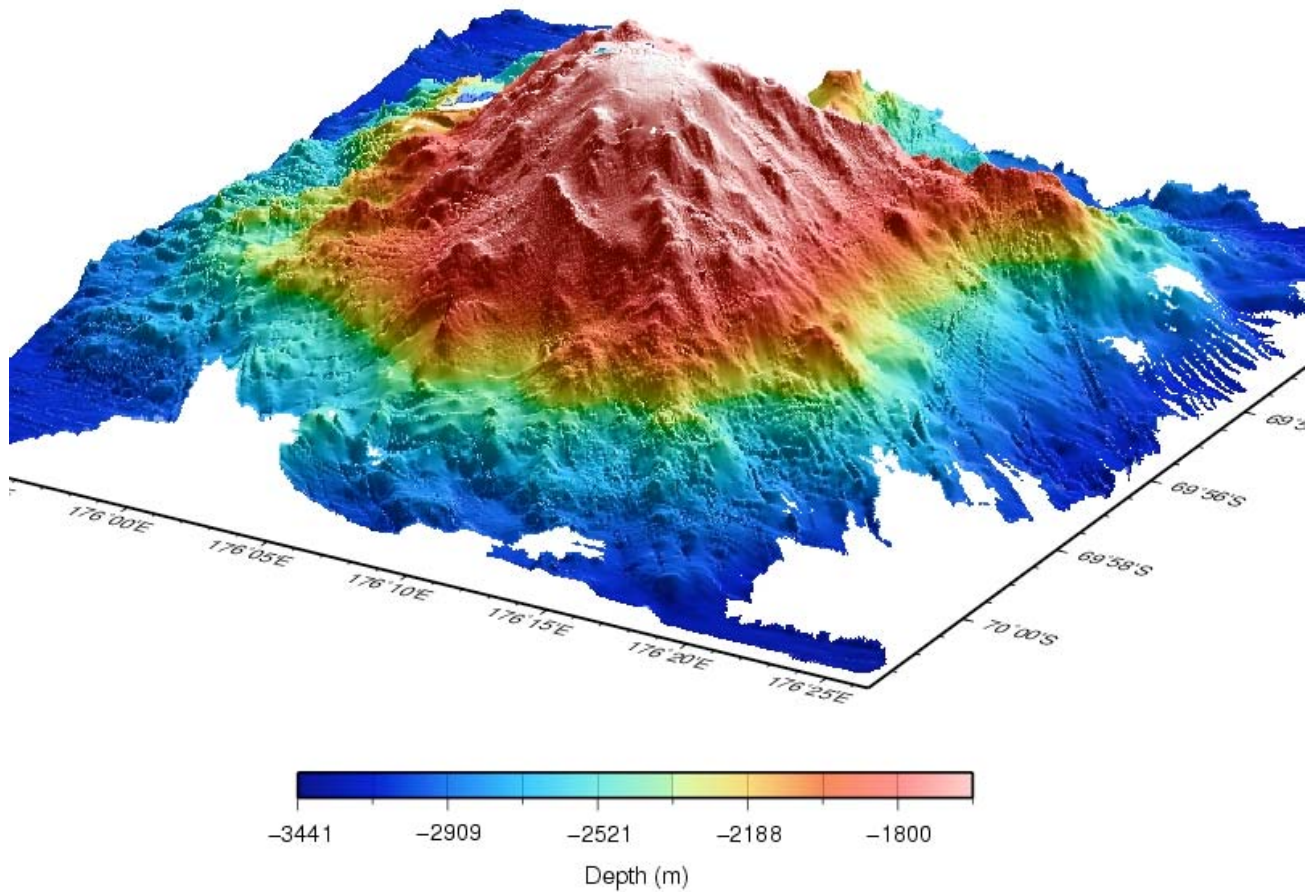


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MultibeamEnd of Cruise Report

Figure 1- MarionSeamount



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Multibeam Work Area Plots

NBP0701 Survey Areas

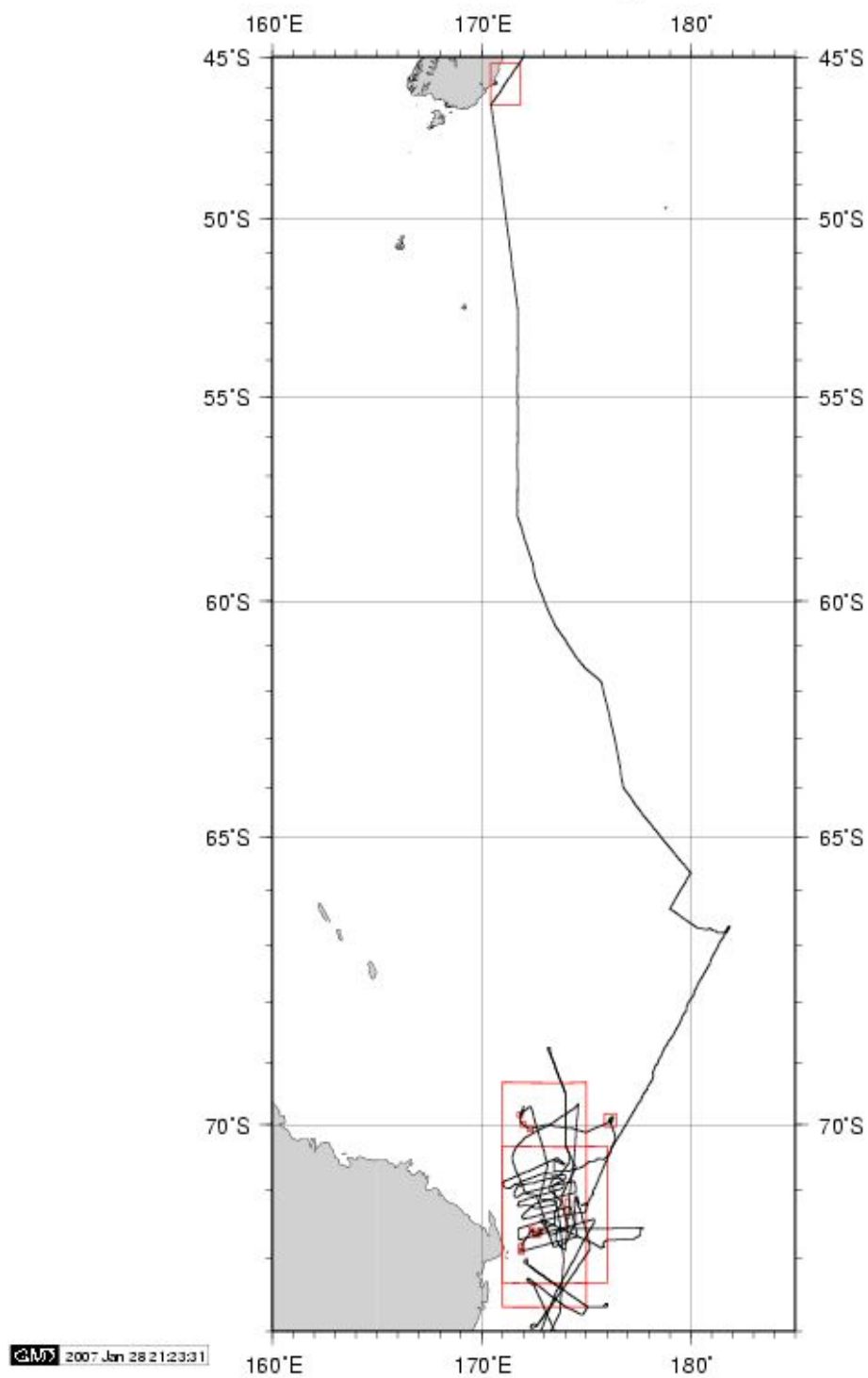


Figure 2 - NBP0701 Study Areas

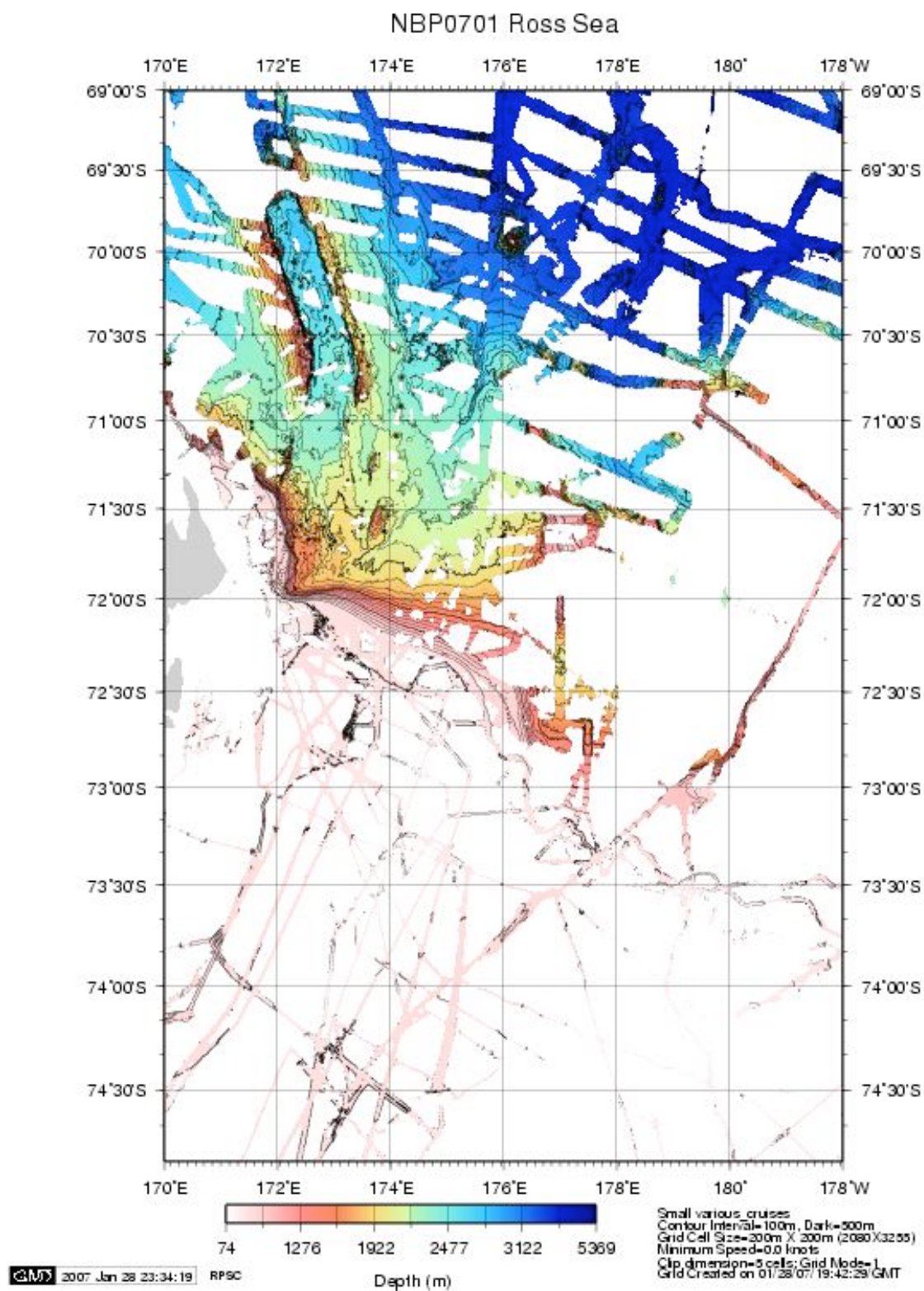


Figure 3 - MB Bathymetric Data Available in Study Area

NBP0701 Multibeam Description of Work

This report covers the Simrad EM120 Multibeam data collection and processing for the R/V Nathaniel B. Palmer cruise NBP0701. This cruise started at Lyttelton, New Zealand on December 22, 2006 (GMT) and ended at McMurdo, Antarctic on January 29, 2007. The principle investigators were Steve Cande, Joan Stock, Pat Castillo, Kurt Panter and Rob Clayton. Suzanne O'Hara (RPSC) was responsible for Multibeam data acquisition, processing, and ping editing quality control. Data was collected during the entire time the ship was operating.

The raw Multibeam data were logged in approximately one hour-long files in the Kongsberg-Simrad EM120 raw format. This is a complex format that is not described in this report. The MB-System¹ software package may be used to access the files if additional work is to be done with the data. MB-System version 5.0.7 was used for processing of data on this cruise. MBSsystem versions 5.0.9 and 5.1.0 are available, but these newer distributions do not correctly handle sidescan data for the EM120 system. It is recommended that users who are interested in this data continue to use MBSsystem 5.0.7 until a distribution that correctly handles the EM120 sidescan data is released. These raw data files are named xxxx_yyyymmdd_hhmmss_raw.all where xxxx is a consecutive line number within the survey, yyyy is the year, mm is the month, dd is the day, hh is the hour, mm is the minute, and ss is the seconds that the file was started.

The logged Multibeam data files were transferred from the data acquisition computer to a data storage area just after the end of each day. The raw hourly data files were converted from MB-System format 56 (the raw Simrad format) to format 57 using mbcopy and made available for manual editing. The format 57 files are named xxx_yyyymmdd_hhmmss.mb57 where the first part of the name is identical to the raw file. All data files were edited while at sea.

The science party was responsible for editing the Multibeam data. Mbclean was used to flag bad data points outside the valid depth range for each hour of data. Mbedit was used to manually remove bad data points from these files. Some data files were edited with mbnavedit to correct navigational problems. Navigation corrections were made after the files were edited. If the velocity was observed to be incorrect, a new sound velocity was generated using mbvelocitytool and was applied to the data.

The edited files were checked using mbedit, the statistics from mbinfo, and hourly contour plots. If these checks failed, the files were re-edited by Suzanne. When the data quality was judged acceptable, the edits were applied to the data using mbprocess. The edited files are named xxxx_yyyymmdd_hhmmssp.mb57 where the p in the dataset name denotes a processed file. Page size plots were produced of the edited data. Daily plots were also produced which showed one days worth of gridded data.

The UNIX tar command was used to write the digital data to DLT tapes at the end of the cruise. These tapes were checked before distribution. The tapes contain the raw and processed data for the entire cruise. The processing scripts and gridded data for each survey are included in the

¹ The MB-System software package was used for all Multibeam data handling. This package was developed at Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory. This system is designed to manipulate, process, list and display many kinds of Multibeam bathymetry, amplitude, and sidescan data. IT has been successfully installed on many different computer platforms. To obtain more information about the MB-System programs or to obtain a copy of the current distribution, contact the authors David W. Caress (caress@mbari.org) and Dale N. Chayes (dale@lamont.ldeo.columbia.edu)

processed data directory. The contents of these tapes and an itemized distribution list are located on separate pages of this report.

Calibration Tests

While in Lyttelton the option of performing calibration tests for the EM120 system was discussed with the PIs. It was decided that we would continue to run with the current calibration settings and consider performing new tests during the cruise if we found an appropriate place when time allowed. The current offset settings in the system are all 0. Near the end of the cruise several of the seismic lines were run in such a way that this data could be used to calculate a roll bias. Due to other time constraints, the calculations had not been run to check the data at the time that this report was generated. If a roll bias check is desired, this data can be extracted and the calculations made in the future.

Speed of Sound Corrections

The travel time of sound in water was corrected at the surface by a sound velocity calculated from the Thermosalinograph (TSG). This value was supplied directly to the EM120 system serial port and the data was transmitted by the RVDAS program `rv_tsg`. Expendable BathyThermographs (XBTs) were used along with the levitus historical database to calculate a sound velocity profile. Forty one XBTs were used to calculate the sound velocity profile during this cruise. The XBTs used were Fast Deep (1000 meters), T4 (460 meters), T7 (760 meters) and T5 (1,830 meters) formats depending on the depth of the survey area. A single XSV-01 (850 meters) expendable sound velocity probe was also used. It was attempted to use at least one XBT in every twenty four hours, in every survey area and whenever the observed multibeam data showed evidence that a new sound velocity profile was required. Since there is a know problem with the EM120 and sound velocity profile calculations, adjusted sound velocity profiles were created as necessary. These files were `RossSlope.svp` and `RossShelf.svp`. The altered sound velocity files are included in the `svp` directory described below. Included here is a list of the XBT launch locations and times. The XBT data has been provided on the RVDAS data distribution. The calculated sound velocities files and plots are in the `process/svp` directory in this multibeam data distribution. A copy of the plots of the sound velocities was provided to the science party at the end of the cruise.

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TF_00084	2006/12/23	03:30:28 pm	-47.81	170.72	34.3	Fast
T7_00085	2006/12/23	11:40:33 pm	-49.15	170.99	34.3	T-7
T5_00087	2006/12/25	04:27:03 am	-53.86	171.73	34.3	T-5
T5_00088	2006/12/25	05:58:06 am	-54.11	171.73	34.28	T-5
T5_00089	2006/12/25	06:01:06 am	-54.12	171.73	34.3	T-5
T5_00090	2006/12/25	05:56:41 pm	-55.98	171.73	34.3	T-5
T5_00092	2006/12/26	03:40:02 am	-57.54	171.72	33.9	T-5
T5_00093	2006/12/26	05:10:51 pm	-59.42	172.56	33.95	T-5
T5_00094	2006/12/27	03:35:00 am	-60.88	173.99	33.89	T-5
T5_00095	2006/12/27	05:05:00 pm	-62.67	176.19	33.78	T-5

File Prefix	GMT_Date	GMT_Time	Latitude	Longitude	Salinity	Type
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T5_00099	2006/12/30	07:56:52 pm	-70.49	176.02	33.84	T-5
T5_00101	2006/12/31	03:13:55 pm	-70.7	172.35	34.11	T-5
T5_00104	2007/01/01	05:19:19 pm	-71.06	172.96	34.03	T-5
T5_00105	2007/01/02	09:30:22 pm	-70.42	172.99	34.12	T-5
T5_00106	2007/01/03	07:34:09 pm	-69.74	172.01	33.88	T-5
T5_00107	2007/01/04	03:55:00 pm	-69.92	176.18	33.6	T-5
T5_00112	2007/01/06	09:01:27 pm	-71.53	175.29	33.87	T-5
T4_00113	2007/01/07	11:18:53 am	-73.86	171.56	33.67	T-4
T4_00114	2007/01/08	05:41:08 pm	-74.14	171.37	33.83	T-4
TF_00115	2007/01/09	11:24:53 am	-72.11	173.89	34.06	Fast
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T4_00134	2007/01/24	12:48:31 pm	-72.92	172.66	34.16	T-4
T4_00135	2007/01/25	05:55:37 pm	-72.43	173.86	34	T-4
T4_00136	2007/01/26	04:26:18 pm	-72.52	173.35	33.94	T-4
S1_00137	2007/01/27	05:08:14 pm	-75.04	171.57	NA	XSV-01

Figure 4 - XBT Listing

On January 4, 2007 GMT a problem was noticed in the times in the XBT headers. The time in the XBT header did not match the GMT time at which the XBT was launched. It was also noticed in the event time line plot that previous XBT times did not match up with the corresponding events. A list was made from the XBT launch times from the watch stander log and compared to the times in the XBT file headers. Only XBT launches that were used for creating sound velocity profiles were compared. The summary of this evaluation is described here.

- One file, T5_00090, was not included in the watchstander log sheet. This data was collected before we started noticing the problem in the time. The XBT time seems to fall correctly on the time line plot, so it was assumed that the time in the header was correct.
- Seven XBTs, probes 86, 91, 100, 102, 103, 108 and 109, were included in the watchstander log, but not used for calculating SVP values. These probe times were not compared or any attempt made to correct the data. These files usually contain data from poor quality XBT traces.
- Five XBT files were located with non-matching times. The probes 94, 95, 96, 97 and 107 all had incorrect dates or times according to the watchstander logs. No correction was made for times that were different by only a few minutes, so the noted errors are on the size of 12 hours or more. To correct the time in these files, the original EDF file in the /data/current_cruise/ocean/xbt directory was copied to EDF.org and then the EDF file was edited to insert the corrected time and date in the header. The raw RDF files were unchanged and continue to have the incorrect times in their header information. All files in the /data/current_cruise/MB/process/svp directory have the corrected times. The time problems were as follows:

Probe	XBT File Time	Watchstander Log Time
94	2006/12/27 15:34	2006/12/27 03:35
95	2006/12/28 05:05	2006/12/27 17:05
96	2006/12/28 18:02	2006/12/29 18:02
97	2006/12/29 19:24	2006/12/30 19:50
107	2001/01/03 11:53	2007/01/04 15:55

Figure 5 - XBT File Time errors

It was found that the XBT computer internal clock that is used to time stamp the XBT files was drifting. The replacement computer for this system was setup, but turned out to be non-functioning. We continued the cruise by verifying that the computer time was close to the GMT realtime before each XBT launch and then re-verifying the time on the logged data file when it was received for processing into a sound velocity profile file. This prevented incorrect times on XBTdata files for the rest of the cruise.

NBP0701 Data Distribution

Multibeam data has been provided on either 2 DLT tapes and a DVD, or a single DLT and a DVD to the science party and RPSC. The tapes were created on UNIX or LINUX computers using the command tar and verified to be sound before they were distributed. The DVD contains a tar file and it is written in ISO format.

The contents of the tapes are described below. The processed data is in mbio format 57. The raw data is in mbio format 56 in the mblogger directory and in mbio format 57 in the Raw directory. The processed data includes gridded files, processing scripts and postscript plots divided into subdirectories for each day and map areas. The DVD contains all the survey areas, a copy of this report in microsoft word format and also a subdirectory, MBScripts, that includes the processing scripts and related documentation. In some cases the survey plots are provided in alternative jpeg, photoshop or pdf formats.

Each Full DDS4 Data Set Includes:

1. DDS4

- a) **mblogger** has raw data for December 22, 2006 to January 23, 2007 in MB56 format
- b) **Raw** has raw data converted to MB57 and ancillary files for December 22, 2006 to January 23, 2007. The files are divided into directories by days
- c) **process** has the edited data and daily processing divided into directories by days for December 22 to 26, 2006

2. DDS4

- a) **mblogger** has raw data for January 24 to 28, 2007 in MB56 format
- b) **Raw** has raw data converted to MB57 and ancillary files for January 24 to 28, 2007. The files are divided into directories by days
- c) **process** has the edited data and daily processing divided into directories by days for December 27, 2006 to January 28, 2007

Each Full DLT Data Set Includes:

1. DLT

- d) **mblogger** has raw data for December 22, 2006 to January 28, 2007 in MB56 format
- e) **Raw** has raw data converted to MB57 and ancillary files for December 22, 2006 to January 28, 2007. The files are divided into directories by days
- f) **process** has the edited data and daily processing divided into directories by days for December 22, 2006 to January 28, 2007

All data full data distributions also includes:

- DVD – postscript, grids and scripts for all survey areas. Also includes all processing requests for the cruise, this report and the daily processing scripts with documentation. In some cases JPEG and photoshop plots are in the directories.
- Printed copy of this report

A copy of the full data distribution will be sent to the Antarctic Multibeam Synthesis at the MGDS (<http://www.marine-geo.org/>). You can locate the all information for and download data from this cruise at the web site by selecting your cruise name from the data link tool. You can also download and use the java application GeoMapApp to interactively access multibeam and other data sets. Data sent to the database will not be downloadable until you have released the proprietary hold. You can contact the MGDS at:

MGDS Data Manager
Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory
61 Route 9W
Palisades NY 10964 USA
845-818-3745 Phone/Fax
info@marine-geo.org

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Figure 6 - Data Distribution Chart

Special Data Requests

Various special data requests were made during the cruise. All requests for extra grids, plots and data support were provided whenever possible.

EM120 Surveys

All scripts that were used to generate the above files were saved in the directory with the data files. The datalistp.mb-1 list files for each survey area are also located in this directory.

NBP0701 was primarily a seismic and geophysical cruise that took advantage of existing MB data, so completing bathymetric surveys was not a main concern. The cruise has been divided into several survey areas. The survey areas are identified in the chart below. Each of these areas was gridded as a survey and plots were generated. In addition, higher resolution plots of each survey area are included in the processed data directories. The surveys may include data from the past cruises NBP9501, NBP9602, NBP9605, NBP9702, NBP9801, NBP9802, NBP0007B, NBP0209, NBP0301A, NBP0302, NBP0305A, NBP0402, NBP0406, NBP0501 or NBP0602 as well as the current cruise NBP0701.

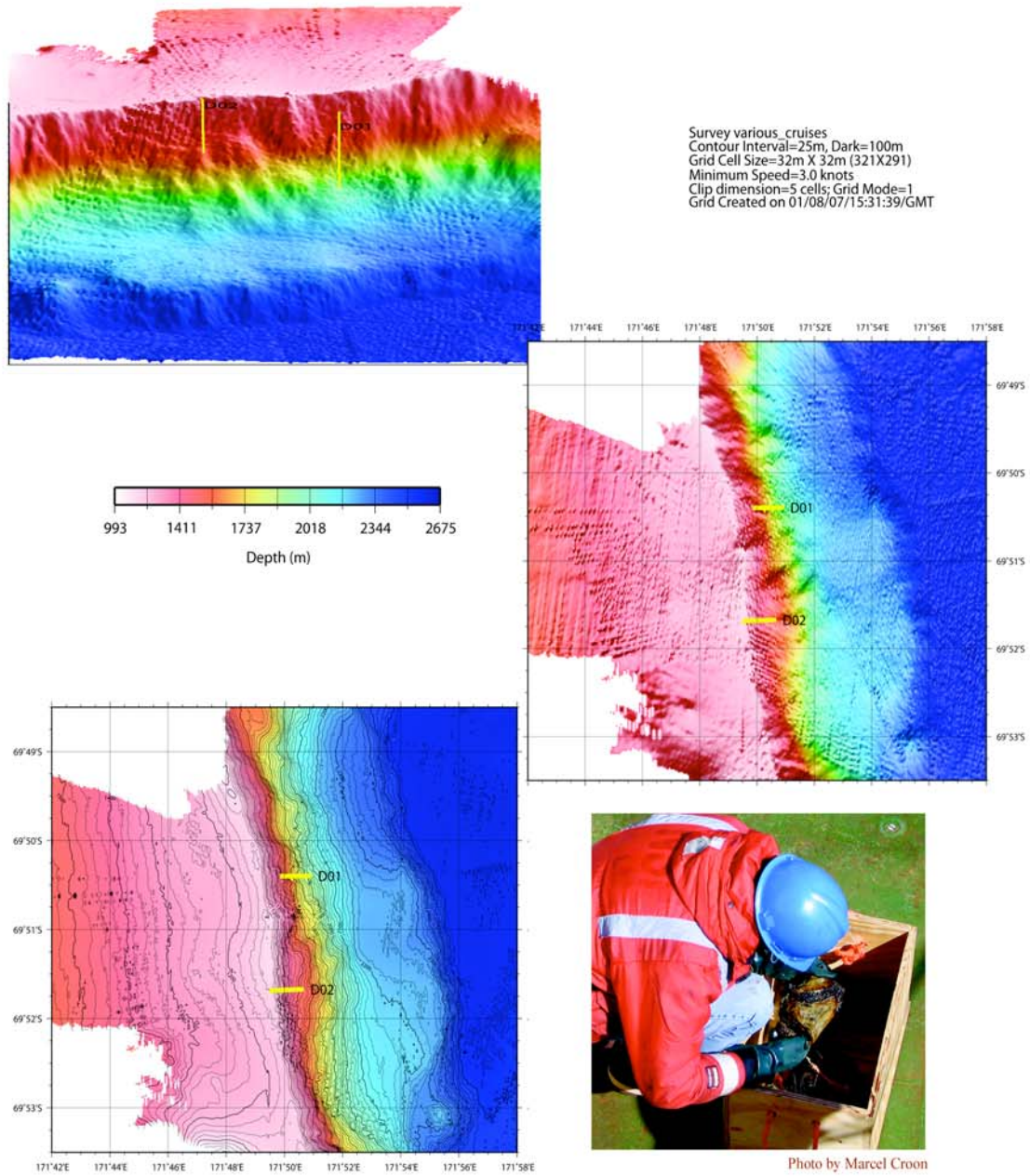
Many additional grids and plots were generated during the cruise for use during transits and for evaluating data. Only the final production surveys are listed here.

Subdirectory	West	East	South	North	Survey Name
AdareDredgeD01_D02	171° 42.0' E	171° 58.0' E	69° 53.5' S	69° 48.5' S	Adare Trough Dredges D01 & D02
MarionSeamount	175° 52.5' E	176° 26.5' E	70° 2.0' S	69° 50.0' S	Marion Seamount
AdareDredgeD03	171° 51.0' E	172° 7.0' E	70° 2.5' S	69° 57.5' S	Adare Trough Dredge D03
AdareDredgeD04	172° 11.0' E	172° 27.0' E	70° 6.5' S	70° 1.5' S	Adare Trough Dredge D04
BountyHeadCanyons	170° 26.0' E	171° 50.0' E	46° 33.0' S	45° 12.0' S	Bounty Head Canyons
Volcano	173° 59.0' E	174° 14.0' E	71° 8.0' S	71° 2.75' S	Volcano

AdareDredgeD05	171° 46.5' E	172° 2.0' E	71° 55.8' S	71° 51.5' S	Adare Trough Dredge D05
AdareDredgeD06_D07	171° 46.0' E	172° 2.0' E	71° 51.5' S	71° 47.25' S	Adare Trough Dredges D06 & D07
AdareDredgeD08	172° 16.0' E	172 31.6' E	71° 37.5' S	71° 32.8' S	Adare Trough Dredge D08
AdareDredgeD09_D10_D11_D12	172° 26.0' E	172° 48.0' E	71° 41.5' S	71° 36.8' S	Adare Trough Dredges D09, D10, D11 & D12
AdareDredgeD13_D14_D15_D16	172° 40.0' E	172° 54.0' E	71° 39.5' S	71° 33.75' S	Adare Trough Dredges D13, D14, D15 & D16
AdareTrough	171° 0.0' E	175° 0.0' E	71° 40.0' S	69° 20.0' S	Adare Trough
AdareBasin	171° 0.0' E	176° 0.0' E	72° 20.0' S	70° 20.0' S	Adare Basin

Figure 7 - Survey Names and Boundaries

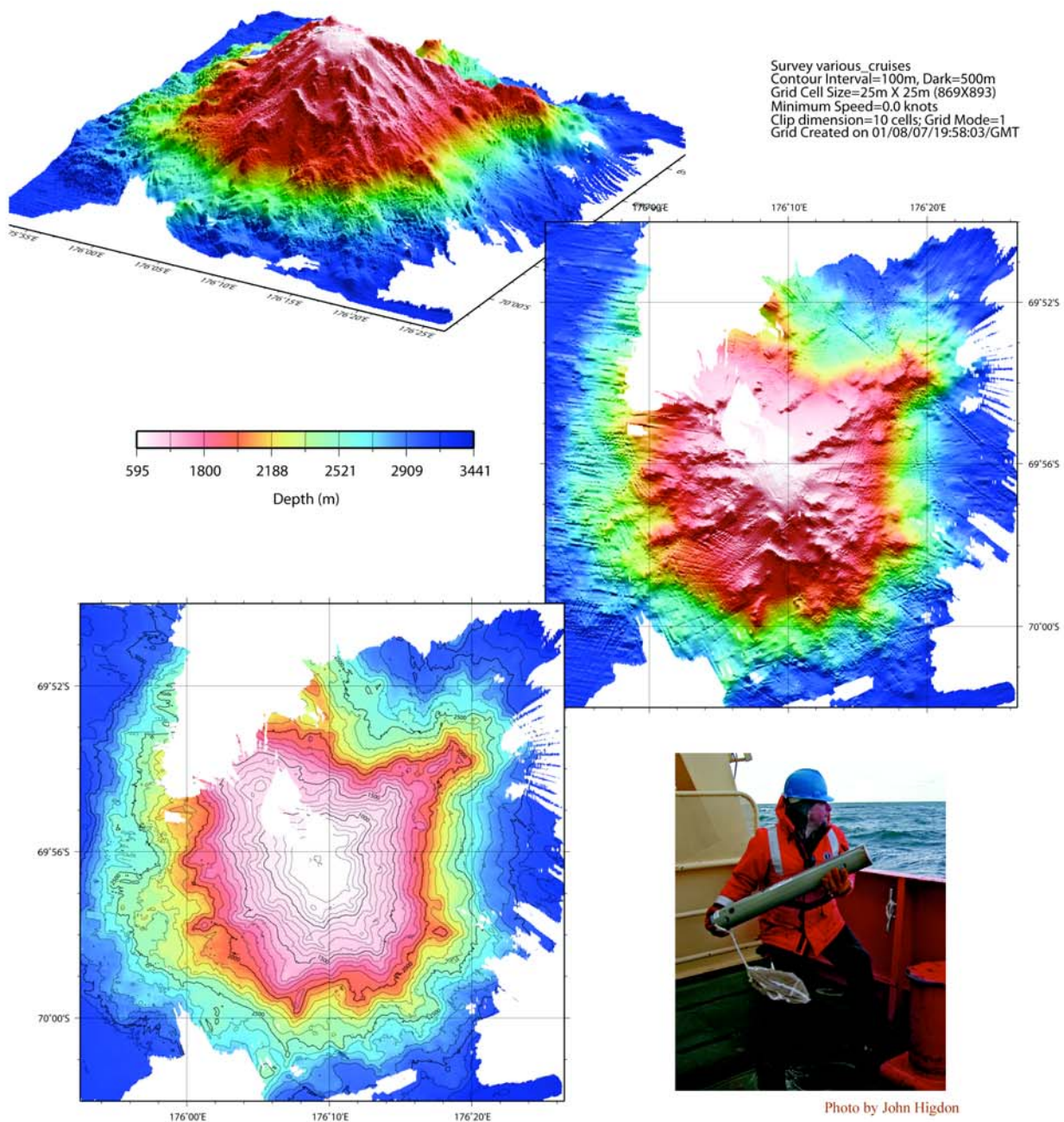
NBP0701 Adare Trough Dredges D01 & D02



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Figure 8 - Adare Trough Dredges D01 & D02

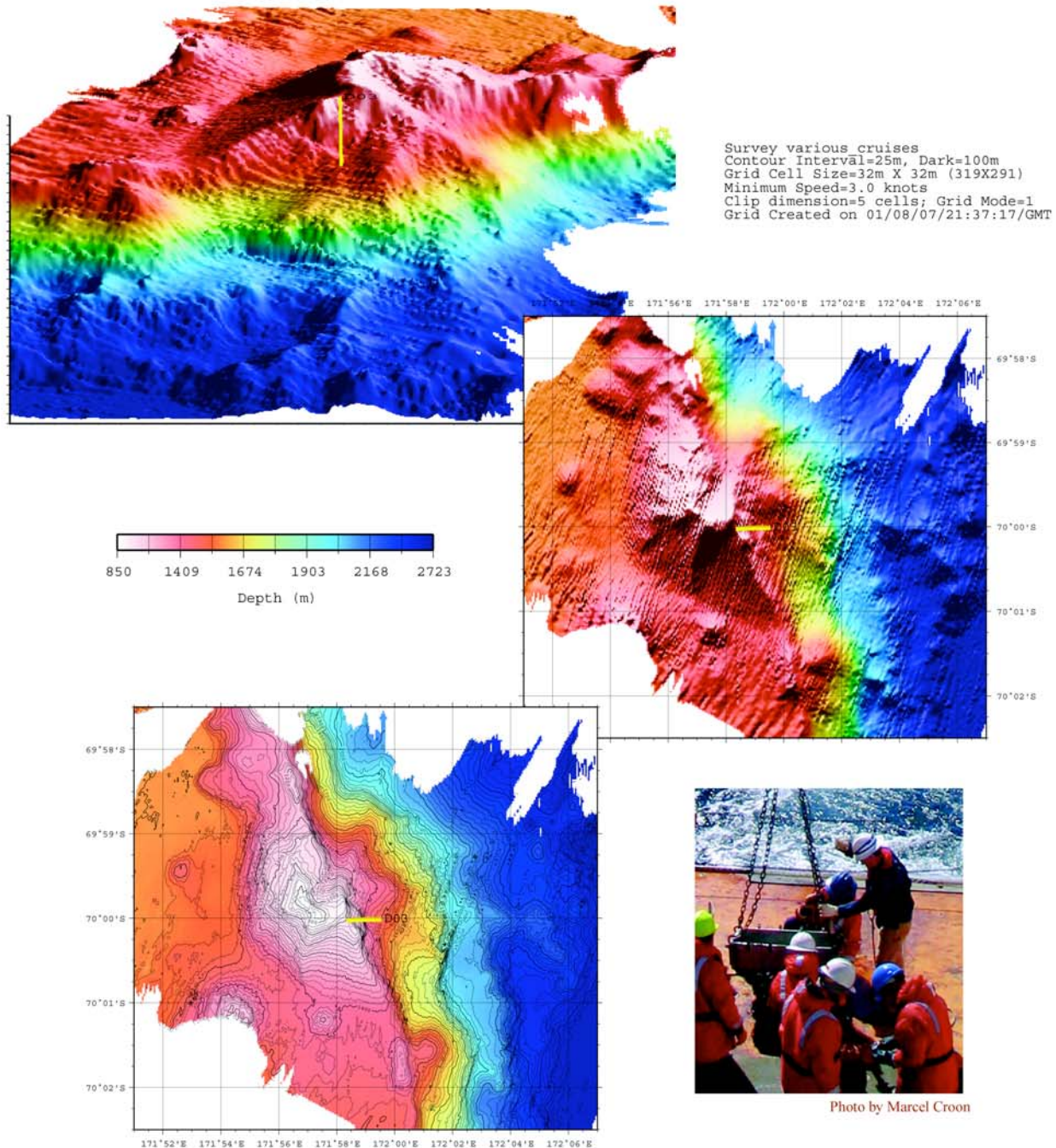
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Figure 9 - Marion Seamount

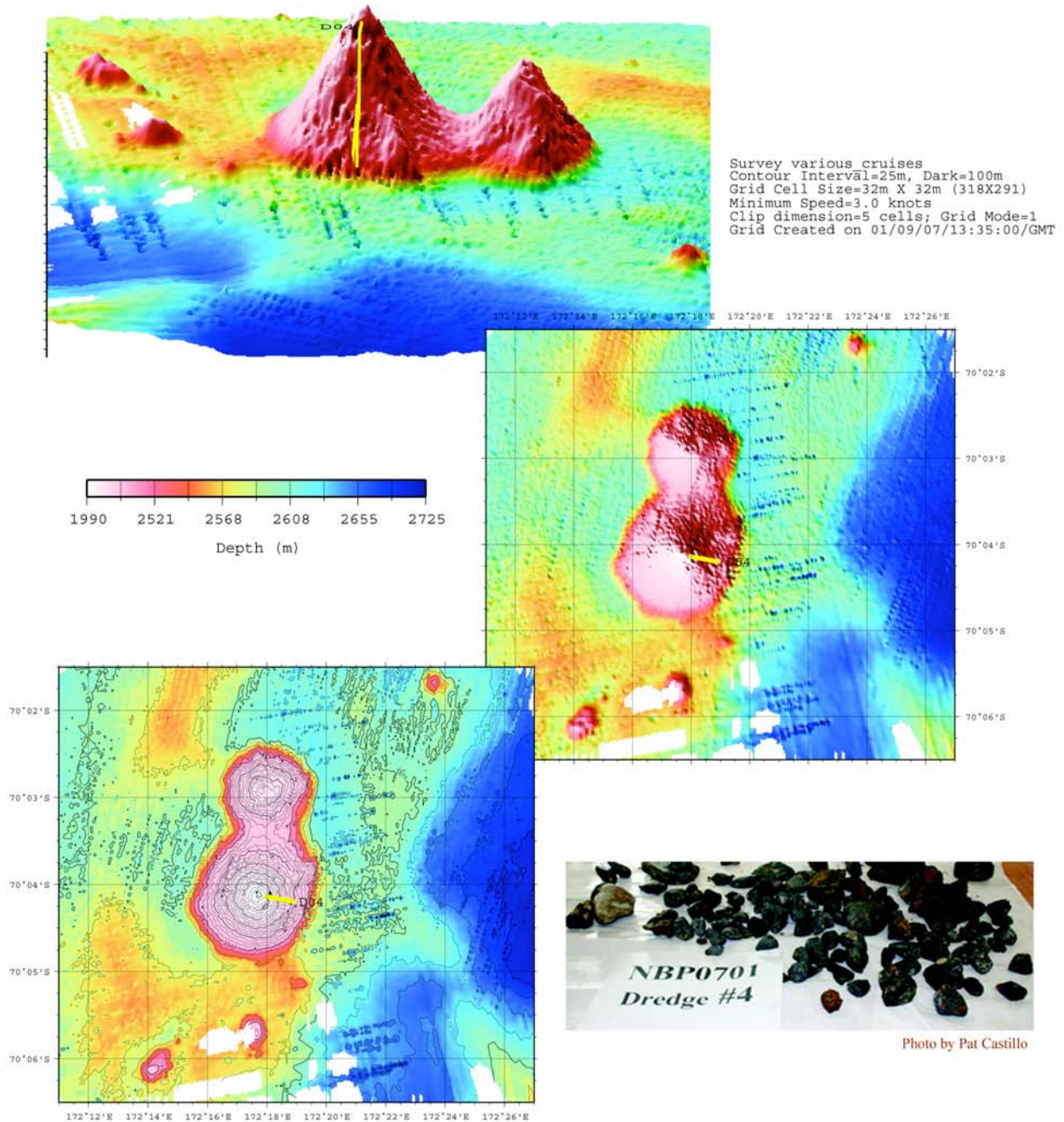
NBP0701 Adare Trough Dredge D03



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Figure 10 - Adare Trough Dredge D03

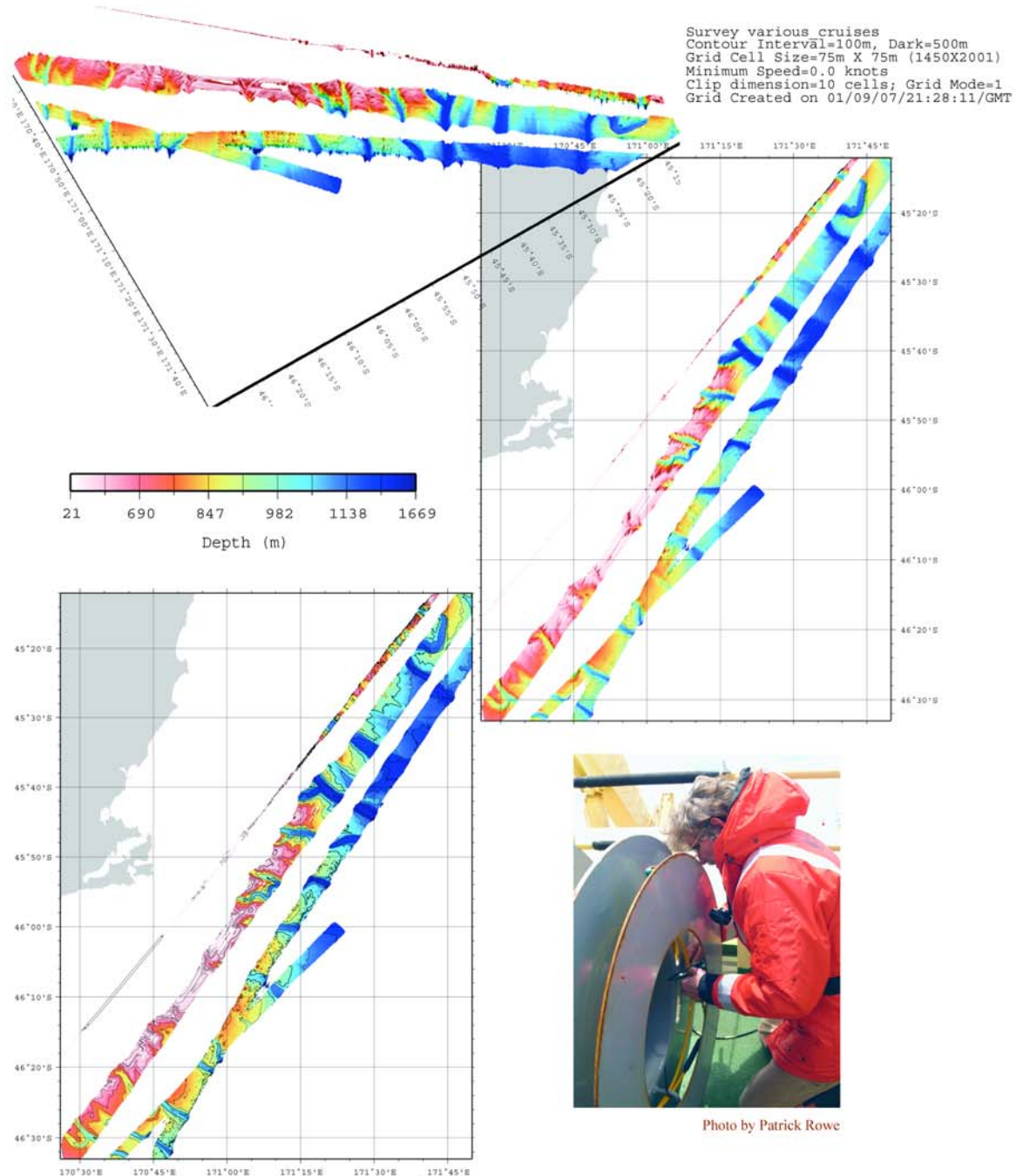
NBP0701 Adare Trough Dredge D04



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Figure 11 - Adare Trough Dredge D04

NBP0701 Bounty Head Canyons



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Figure 12 - Bounty Head Canyons

NBP0701 Volcano

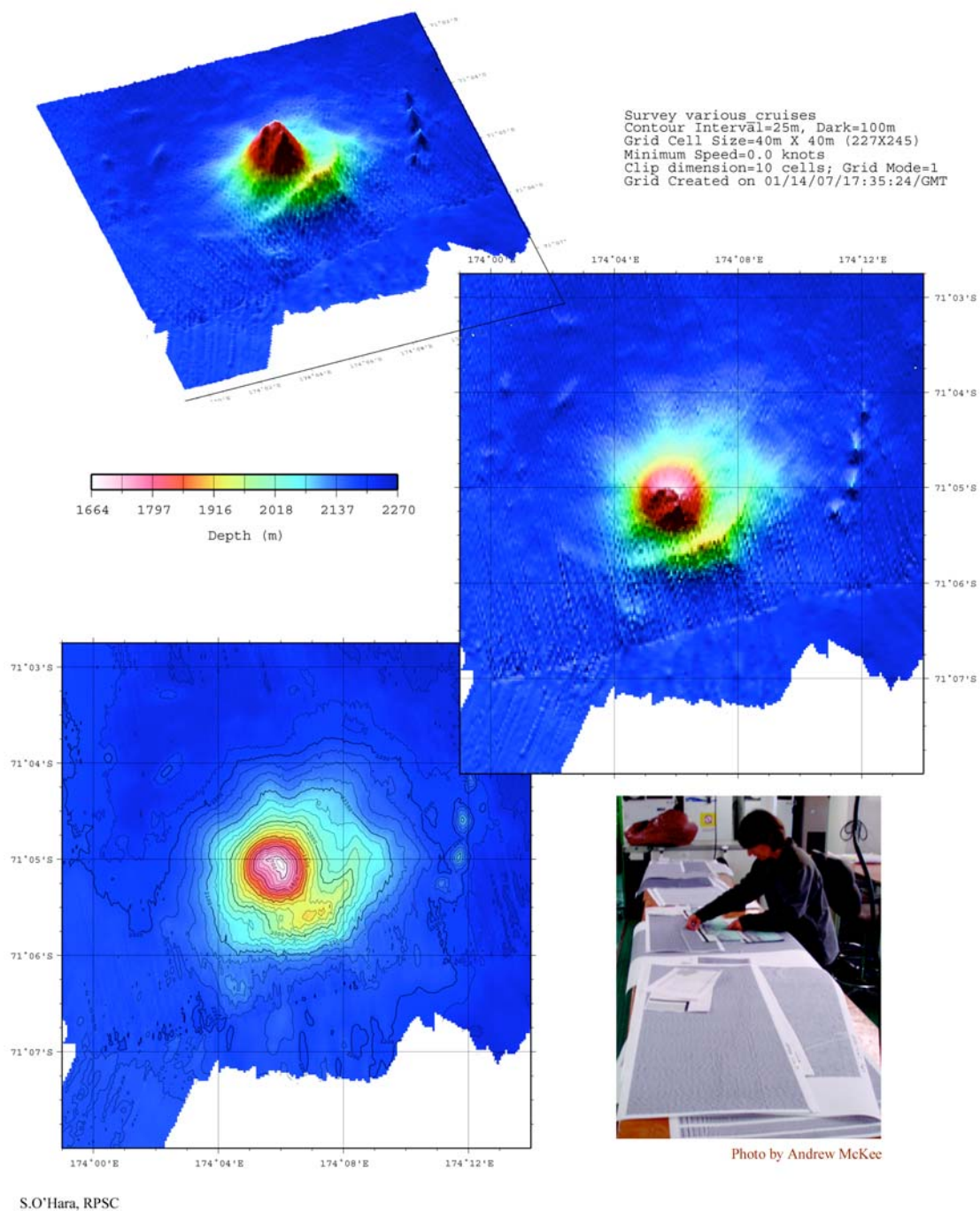
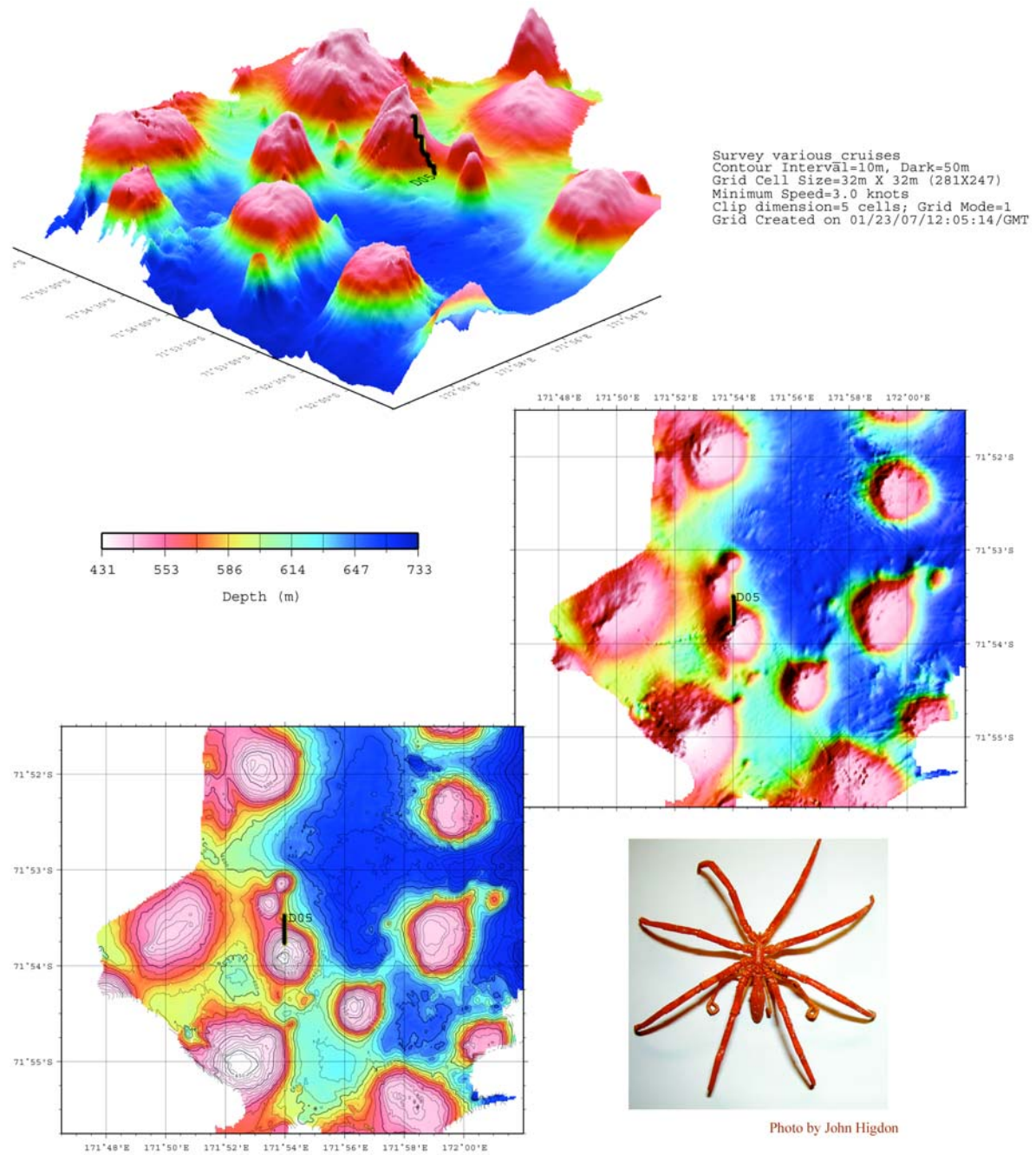


Figure 13 - Volcano

NBP0701 Adare Trough Dredge D05



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Figure 14 - Adare Dredge D05

NBP0701 Adare Trough Dredges D06 And D07

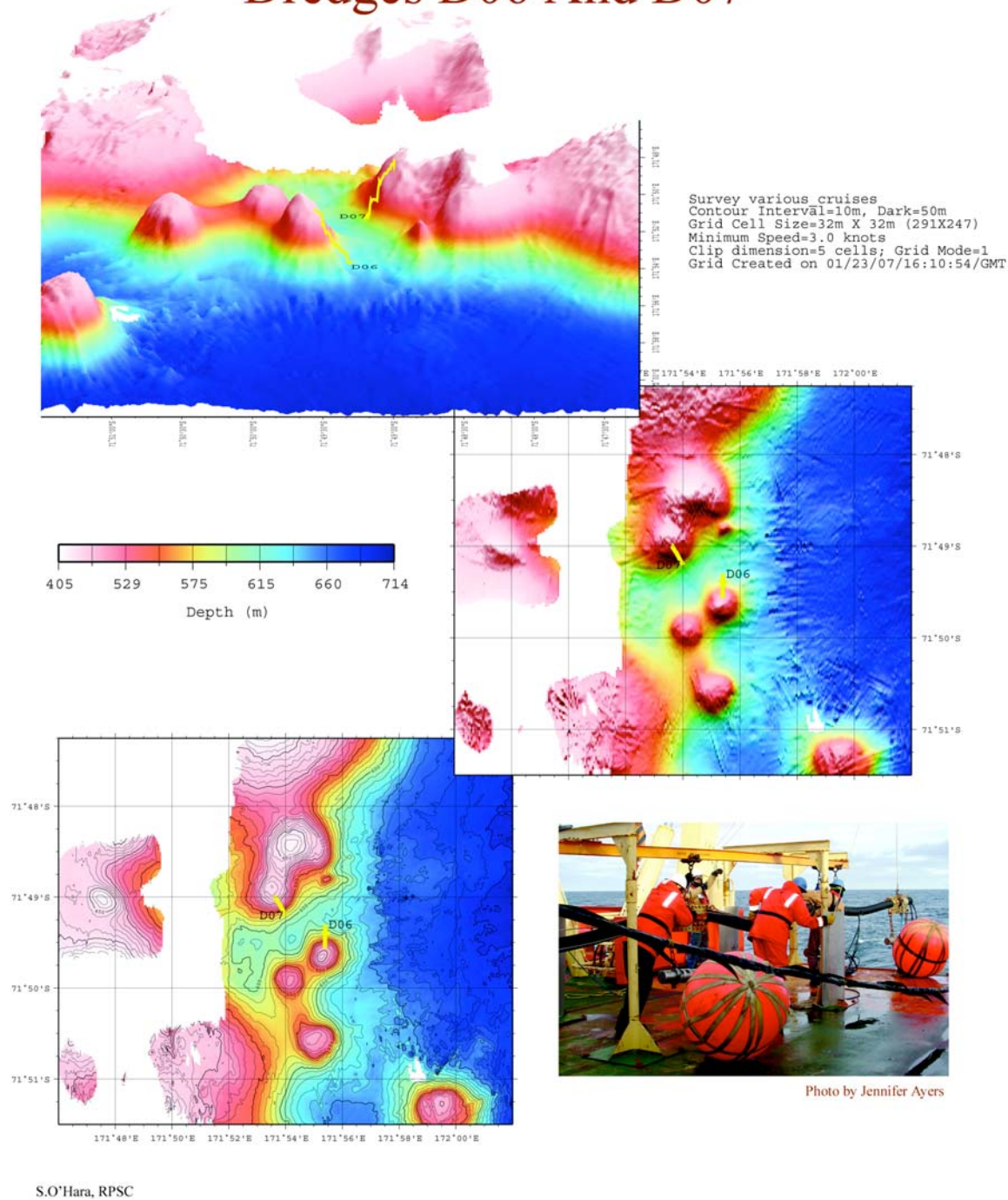
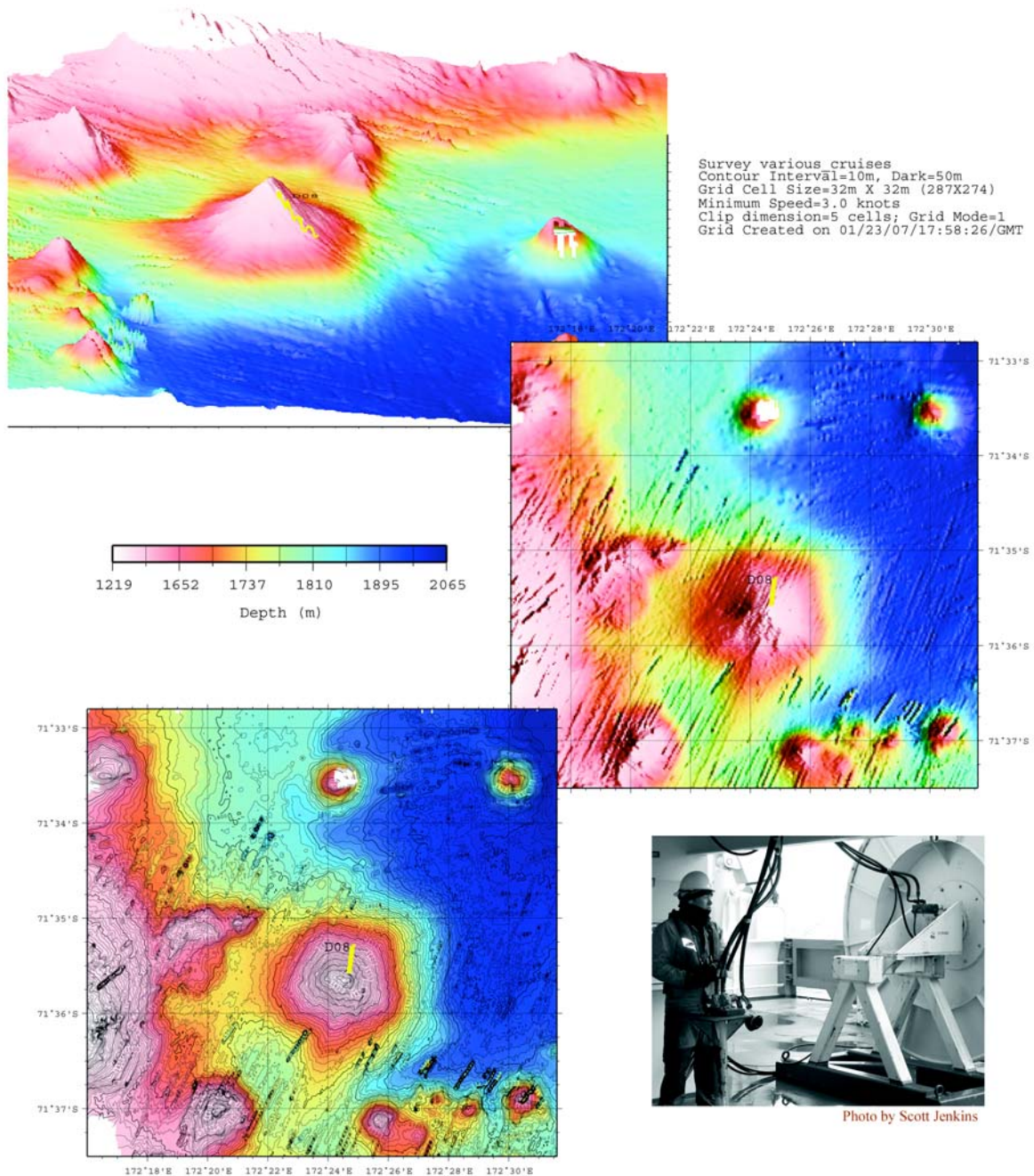


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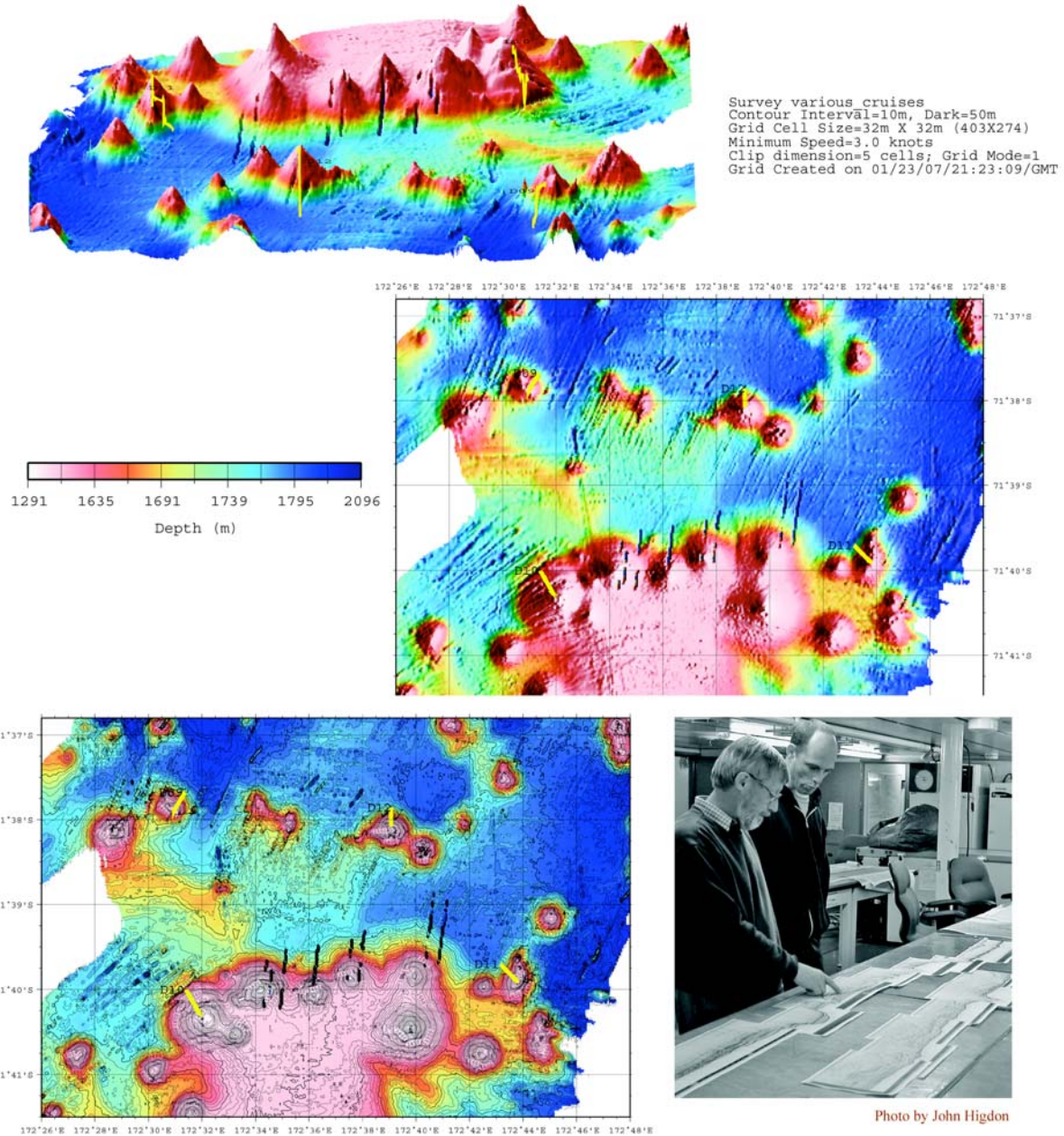
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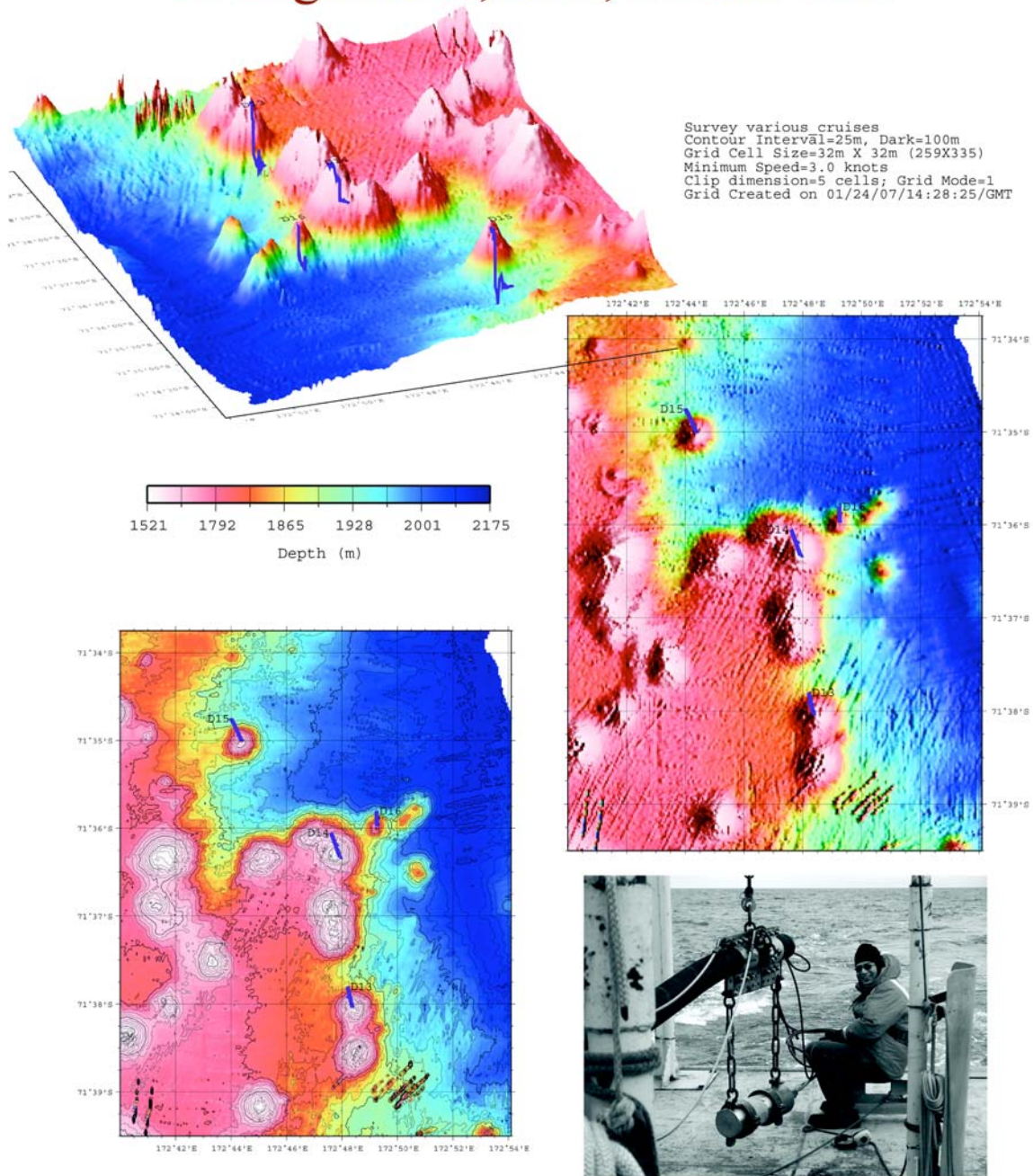
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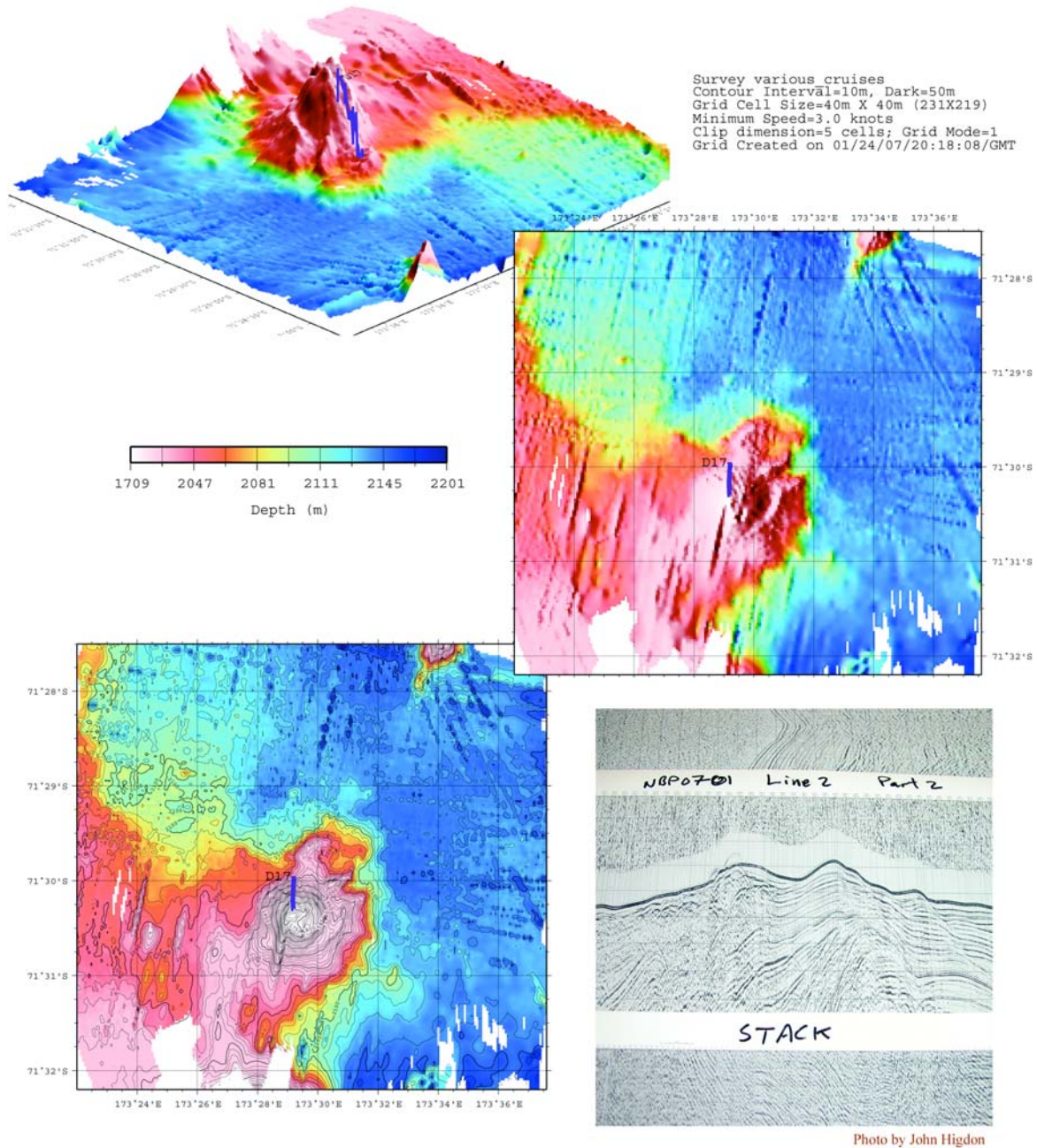
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Figure 18 - Adare Dredges D13, D14, D15 And D16

NBP0701 Adare Trough Dredge D17



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Figure 19 - Adare Dredge D17

NBP0701 Adare Trough

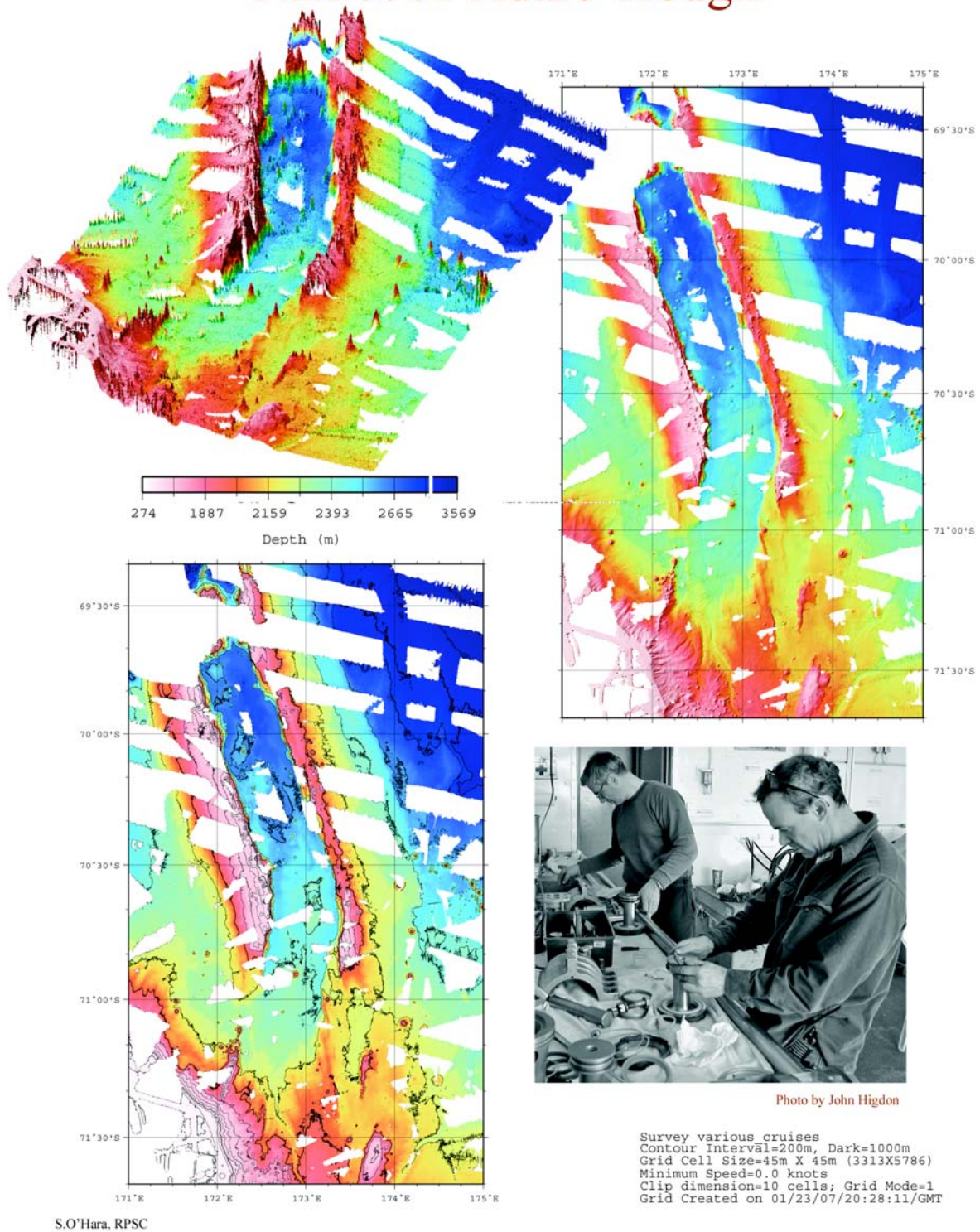
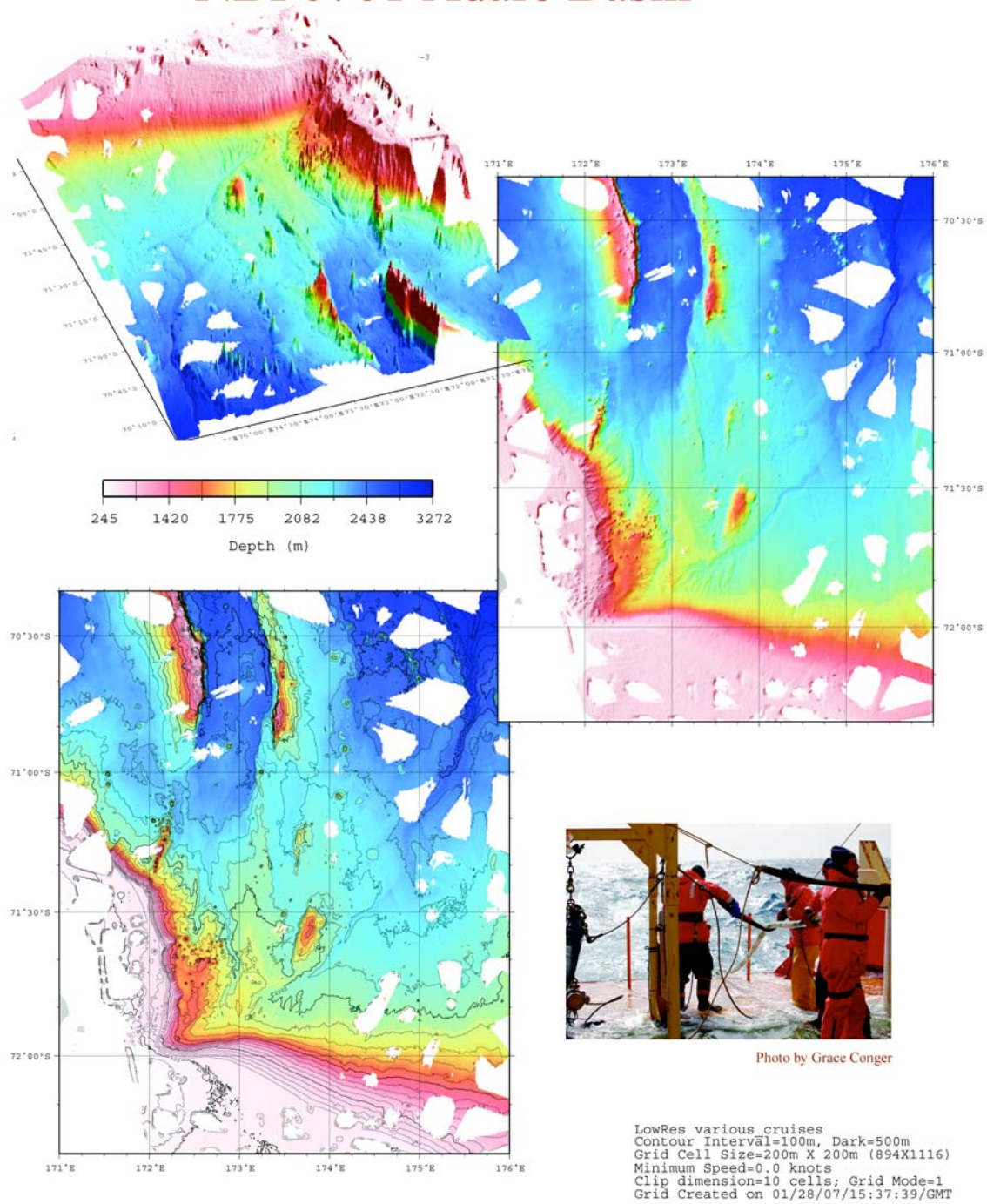


Figure 20 - Adare Trough

NBP0701 Adare Basin



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Figure 21 - Adare Basin

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