

FICHE META_INFORMATION_PARAMETRES

(à remplir par le responsable du paramètre) / (*to be filled by the person in charge of the parameter*)

1. PARAMETRES CONCERNES / Parameters

Name of the Parameters :

dry mass sinking flux
particulate organic carbon sinking flux
particulate inorganic carbon sinking flux
particulate nitrogen sinking flux
particulate biogenic silica sinking flux

2. OPERATION & CAMPAGNE & PIs / OPERATION & CAMPAIGN&PIs

*Sampling method :*PPS3 sediment trap

Station numbers : R1, E1, E3, A3-2, E-5

Operation code : DRIFT_PART_TRAP

3. PROJET ETUDE / PROJECT TITLE

Campaign NAME : KEOPS2

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5. DESCRIPTION DES PARAMETRES / PARAMETERS DESCRIPTION

5.1. Ce qui a été collecté,
mesuré et comment / How
was the parameter collected

and measured (include references for analytical methods)?

Sampling: Sinking particles were collected into a carousel of rotating sampling cups beneath a Technicap PPS3/3 conical-cylindrical free-drifting sediment trap deployed at ~200m depth. All cups contained pre-filtered (0.8 um pore size glass fibre filter) brine made by salt enrichment of local seawater (final salinity ~50 g L⁻¹), to retard physical loss during carousel movements. Some cups also contained poison (HgCl₂ ~1g L⁻¹) to inhibit biological activity. After collection, the sinking particles were sieved through 300-350um pore-size Nitex screen to remove zooplankton, and then filtered onto a ~1.2um pore size silver membrane filter and dried at 60C.

Analytical procedure :

Separate aliquots of each filter were analysed as follows:

For POC and PN, filter aliquots were acidified to remove carbonates and then analysed for total C and total N by combustion-GC elemental analyser, using the methods of Trull et al, 2008a,b.

For PIC, filter aliquots were acidified and evolved CO₂ measured using an isotope ratio mass spectrometer following the method of Assayag et al., 2006.

For PbSi, filter aliquots were digested in hot alkaline solution and analysed by colorimetry following the method of Queguiner , 2001.

For dry mass, dried filter aliquots were weighed before and after removal of the filtered mass by acidification and physical irrigation.

Units:

for POC, PN, PIC and PbSi: milli-mole m⁻² day⁻¹

for dry mass: g m⁻² day⁻¹

5.2. Post-cruise data analysis/treatment required, and the time frame for this

Analysis is complete and data have been provided to KEOPS2 team.

Date of Delivery :

October 2012

5.3. Estimations des erreurs, précision, sensibilité des données / *Error estimates, precision and accuracy of the data* :

Subsampling of the filter dominates the uncertainties and is estimated to be ~ 10% for all parameters.

6. REFERENCES BIBLIOGRAPHIQUES

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