

Daily Report Cruise 2015407

20.07.2015

Indian Ocean II

R/V Dr Fridtjof Nansen

To: Åsmund Bjordal (CDCF); Kathrine Michalsen (CDCF); Tore Strømme (CDCF); Dr Fritjof Nansen; Magne Olsen (IMR); Reidar Toresen (IMR); Tor Ensrud (CDCF); Jens Otto Krakstad (IMR); Kenneth Loven (Argus) Kwame Koranteng (FAO); Marie Hauge (IMR)

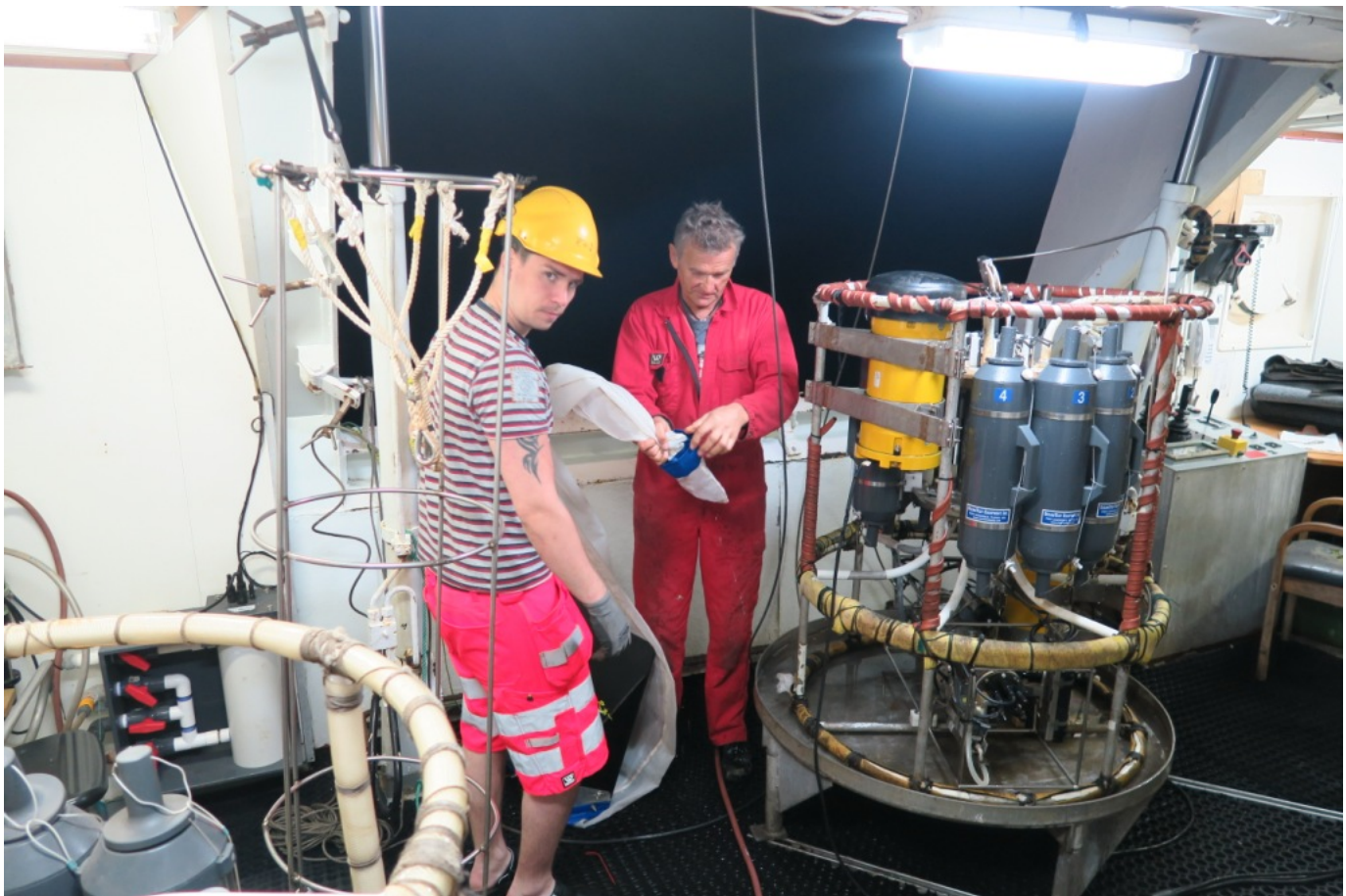
From: Bjørn Serigstad

1 HSE

Nothing else observed or reported.

2 Activities and comments

Sampling with CTD/ LADCP and Manta trawl on stations south of Mauritius and first station on the way west to Madagascar Ridge. CPR is deployed.



Charles and Patrick operating the Manta Trawl



Kamlesh and Zo working up samples from the Manta Trawl searching for plastics

3 Weather

Temp: 20°C,

Wind: Gale

Waves: Very rough, 4-6 meters

4 Tomorrows schedule

We will continue on the transect westward to Madagascar Ridge with CTD stations, Manta Trawl and CPR. Installations and testing of VAMS will continue,

5 Prognoses

Weather forecasts are promising and we hope we will be able to keep the speed of 10 nautical miles /hour.

6 Problems during field work

We have had problems keeping the desired speed but weather seems to improve and we are optimistic.

7 Future plans

We will continue on the transit to the Madagascar Ridge with sampling on the way according to sailing order.
