



**CONTRIBUTED SESSION:  
INTERNATIONAL OCEAN EXPLORATION**

Chair: Jonathan Phinney (USA)

**MONDAY, JUNE 6**

- 2.00-2.15      **UNDERSTANDING THE BIOGEOGRAPHY AND BIODIVERSITY OF DEEP-OCEAN CHEMOSYNTHETIC ECOSYSTEMS: THE CHESSE PROJECT OF THE CENSUS OF MARINE LIFE AND INTERNATIONAL EXPLORATION AT THE CHILE TRIPLE-JUNCTION, SE PACIFIC OCEAN.**  
Christopher R German, Paul A. Tyler, and Eva Ramirez-Llodra
- 2.15-2.30      **DEEP SEA ASPHALT FLOWS AND THEIR RELEVANCE TO REGIONAL CHEMOSYNTHETIC LIFE FORMS**  
Elva Escobar-Briones
- 2.30-2.45      **DISCOVERING SEEP COMMUNITIES IN THE GULF OF MEXICO AND BEYOND**  
Ian R. MacDonald
- 2.45-3.00      **PRELIMINARY COMPARISON OF THE CEPHALOPOD FAUNA OF THE NE US CONTINENTAL SLOPE AND BEAR SEAMOUNT (NEW ENGLAND SEAMOUNT CHAIN).**  
Elizabeth K. Shea and Michael Vecchione
- 3.00-3.15      **EXPLORING THE MACRO- AND MEGAFUNA OF A MID-OCEAN RIDGE: CHALLENGES AND EXPERIENCES OF THE MAR-ECO PROJECT IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC**  
Odd Aksel Bergstad and Tone Falkenhaus
- 3.15-3.30      **STRESS AND STRAIN ON EASTERN PACIFIC MARGIN: THE BIOLOGY OF NEWLY EXPLORED OXYGEN MINIMUM ZONE AND METHANE SEEP ECOSYSTEMS**  
L. Levin, A. Rathburn, M. Tryon, P. Lonsdale, E. Escobar, D. Gutierrez, A. Gallardo, J. Sellanes, and Eduardo Quiroga
- 3.40-3.45      **EXPLORING THE DEEP WATER COLUMN OF THE MONTEREY SUBMARINE CANYON**  
Bruce H. Robison
- 3.45-4.00      **TOWARD QUALITATIVE IMPROVEMENTS IN ACCESS TO AGING OCEAN BASEMENT BIOSPHERE**  
James P. Cowen, Craig D. Taylor, and Brian T. Glazer
- 4.00-4.15      **INTRA-OCEANIC ARC SUBMARINE VOLCANOES AS A FRONTIER FOR INTERNATIONAL OCEAN EXPLORATION: RECENT DISCOVERIES IN THE WESTERN PACIFIC**  
Robert W. Embley
- 4.15-4.30      **AUTONOMOUS LANDERS AS A BIOLOGICAL SURVEY TOOL IN INTERNATIONAL DEEP SEA RESEARCH PROGRAMMES.**  
Imants G. Priede, Nicola King, and Phil M. Bagley