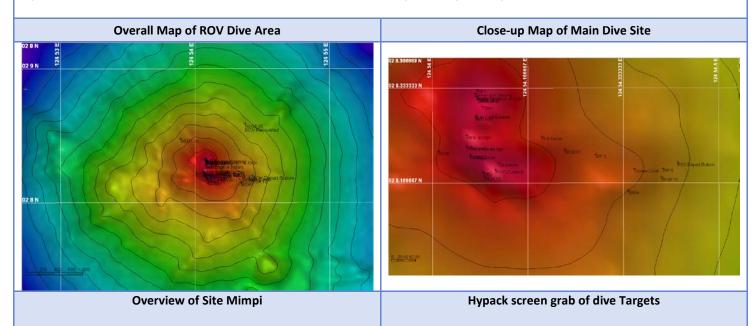
## OKEANOS EXPLORER ROV DIVE FORM

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ROV Lead	Dave Lovalvo										
General Area Descriptor	83km N of Bitung, Indonesia							39500 V	eanos olorer		
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	EX1	LEG03			ROV02 (15)  Little Hercules						
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Equipment Malfunctions	None										
Special Notes	Click here to enter text.										
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**Purpose of the Dive:** To explore unexplored areas of potential hard bottom in the south to compare to the north and look at sites that span broad depth zones. "Site T" has never been explored before.

## **Description of the Dive:**

The dive began at the southern peak of the main cone of the volcano, and then traversed to the northern peak of the main cone. Throughout this transit, the seafloor was largely covered in dark-yellow sediment. Faunal abundances were consistently low. Primnoid corals and black corals were observed and dominant. As we moved over the summits of the peaks, the area of exposed rock increased as did their abundance. The region between peaks was mostly sandy and the dominant fauna were stalked sponges hosting zoanthids. Abundant staining, resembling iron oxides, was observed on rocky outrops. Such staining was localized in cracks and crevices in the rock. Small tubes were observed in one of the stained cracks- possibly tubeworms, but no evidence suggested that were alive. Small patches of clear shimmering fluids were observed early in the dive but a highly diffuse and a seafloor source could not be identified. From the northern cone, we transited SE to a secondary cone at around 870m. As we progressed down slope towards that direction, the area of exposed rock increased, the current increased in strength and faunal abundances increased. This trend remained as we progressed eastward down slope over a knoll. Octocorals and black corals dominated the benthic landscape. In one case, a scleractinian coral was observed surrounded by a large colony of hydroids. A putative new morph of Paragorgia, a Sibogagorgia?, and a purple comatulid crinoid were observed. In general, the faunal diversity of site T was notably equivalent to that of site K, however the abundances at site T were in general significantly lower than site K.



## **Representative Photos of the Dive**



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