

# ROV Dive Summary, EX-21-03, Dive 06, June 19, 2021

### **General Location Map**



Dive 06 named Caryn Seamount. This site is on Caryn Seamount outside of the U.S. Exclusive Economic Zone.

#### **Dive Information**

Site Name	Caryn Seamount
General Area Descriptor	An isolated seamount with volcanic origin rising out of the Sohm Abyssal Plain
Science Team Leads	Karl McLetchie
Expedition Coordinator	Kasey Cantwell/Matt Dornback
ROV Dive Supervisor	Karl McLetchie
Mapping Lead	Shannon Hoy

Dive Purpose	The sixth engineering dive of the ROV Shakedown. Primary objectives include pilot training,	
	testing new motors, motor controllers, lights, cameras, and hydraulic systems on the ROVs.	
	Secondary objectives include exploring Caryn Seamount and collecting characteristic	
	geological and biological samples.	
Was the dive	No	
restricted for		
Underwater		
Cultural Heritage?		
ROV Dive	Dive Summary: EX2103_DIVE06	
Summary Data	^^^^^	
	Dive Type: Normal	
	In Water: 2021-06-19T12:24:46.076705	
	36.66883664795508;-67.92760693520448	
	On Bottom: 2021-06-19T14:38:05.459955	
	36 668942568193714 · -67 92861380123425	
	50.000342300133714, -07.32001300123423	
	Off Bottom: 2021-06-19T18:10:54.960449	
	36.669588201078014 ; -67.92902245622362	
	Out Water: 2021-06-19T20:21:43.534606	
	36.66115593094224 ; -67.94041954204027	
	Dive Duration: 7:56:57	
	Detters Times 2:22:40	
	Bottom Time: 3:32:49	
	Max Vehicle Denth: 3796.6 m	
	Min Seafloor Depth: 3764.0 m	
	Distance Travelled: 234.3 m	



Dive Description	Successful first ROV dive on Caryn Seamount. We started on a ridge arm at 3797 m and traversed upslope. An objective of the dive was to introduce topography with increased complexity for pilot training, ROV systems testing, and calibration. The dive started in an area with rubble and soft sediment. Several dead sponge stalks with brittle stars on top in addition to other sponges were present. A few corals were seen throughout the dive as well as a diversity of sponges. Two sponges (Hexactinellid sp. and Geodia sp.) and a rock sample were collected. Dive was called ~ 15 minutes early due to increased sustained winds and seas. The clear water gave the video team a chance to dial in the ME-20 camera from Seirios to see the tether and surrounding terrain, try different D2 lighting settings for shots from the main HD, and demonstrate how well the new camera controls work. The ME-20 will be moved to D2 once in the shelter of Block Island on Tuesday morning. The rocky terrain allowed the pilots to verify functionality of the SeaKing scanning sonars on D2 and Seirios and to test out the Blueview multibeam sonar on D2. The Bueview worked very well, painting a picture of the seafloor out to 90m. Auto altitude & heading continued to work very well. Auto XY seemed to hold position well. Moves in Auto XY were done in all directions and the associated data was collected for analysis. The D2 DVL was adjusted to pick up the seafloor at 90m altitude. The Seirios USBL stopped tracking below 3,000m. It is suspected that the head needs oil. A spare head was swapped on for the next dive. If it is the head then it may need to be sent to birk work were two the dive were for EV2010
Notable Observations	Many corals and sponges present
Community and habitat observations	Corals and Sponges - Present Chemosynthetic Community - Absent High biodiversity Community - Absent Active Seep or Vent - Absent Extinct Seep or Vent - Absent Hydrates - Absent
CMECS Feature	Seamount, Ledge, Slope
SeaTube Link (science annotation system)	https://data.oceannetworks.ca/SeaTubeV3?resourceTypeId=600&resourceId=2193

## **Equipment Deployed**

ROV	Deep Discoverer
Camera Platform	Seirios
ROV Measurements	The following ROV measurements, data streams and equipment are used on each ROV deployment: CTD, depth, scanning sonar, USBL position, altitude, heading, attitude, high-resolution cameras, low resolution cameras, manipulator arms, suction sampler, sample drawers and thrusters. The section below notes if any of these sensors were malfunctioning or not operational
Equipment Malfunctions	Turbidity sensor, Seirios USBL



#### **Close-up Map of Main Dive Site**



Hypack map of the Dive 06 waypoints. Depth is displayed by contour lines at 10 meter increments and by colors. Warm colors are shallower and cool colors are deeper.



#### **Representative Photos of the Dive**



A coral with a worm associate



A rocky slope with sponges attached.



# Samples Collected -





Sample ID	EX2103_D06_01B
Date (UTC)	06/19/2021
Time (UTC)	15:46
Depth (m)	3791.227
Latitude (decimal degrees)	36.669140
Longitude (decimal degrees)	-67.929
Temp. (°C)	2.451
Field ID(s)	Hydrozoa
Comments	





Sample ID	EX2103_D06_02G
Date (UTC)	6/19/2021
Time (UTC)	1655
Depth (m)	3785.131
Latitude (decimal degrees)	36.66936
Longitude (decimal degrees)	-67.9291
Temp. (°C)	2.53244
Field ID(s)	Loose Rock - Mg Encrusted
Comments	

Associates Sample ID	Field Identification	Count
EX2103_D06_02G_A01	Cnidaria Actinea	1
EX2103_D06_02G_A02	Bryozoa (lace corals)	1





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Sample ID	EX2103_D06_03B
Date (UTC)	6/19/2021
Time (UTC)	1756
Depth (m)	3772.538
Latitude (decimal degrees)	36.66954
Longitude (decimal degrees)	-679295
Temp. (°C)	2.18375
Field ID(s)	Porifera Geodia
Comments	

#### **Niskin Sampling Summary**

No Niskin bottles were used



#### Scientists Involved (provide name, email, affiliation)

No scientists were involved in this dive

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