

Draft Programme
Seamounts and Submarine Canyons Workshop
Hatfield Marine Science Station, Newport, Oregon, USA

Note: The Seamounts and Submarine Canyons Workshop will be held in parallel with another CoML workshop on Deep Sea Sediments.

Thursday 21 August 2003

Daytime – participants arrive
Registration Desk manned from 16:00.

19:00 – Evening reception for all

Friday 22 August 2003

9:00 – Joint plenary session with Deep-Sea Sediments workshop

9:00	Welcome (George Boehlert)
9:10	The Census of Marine Life (Ron O’Dor?)
9:30	Seamounts/Canyons (Karen Stocks)
9:50	Deep-Sea Sediments (David Billett)

10:10 Break – Seamount/Canyon and Deep-Sea Sediment groups separate

10:30 – *The Known*

10:30 – 11:00	Brief self-introductions
11:00 – 11:30	Workshop goals
11:30 – 12:30	Summaries of major existing datasets and analyses – 10 min. each, given by participants

12:30 Lunch

13:45 - *The Known, continued*

13:45	Summaries of major existing datasets and analyses, continued
14:30	Summaries of current and planned sampling programs – 10 min each, given by participants

16:00 Break

16:20 *The Unknown*

16:20	Discussion: gaps/strengths in current knowledge of the biogeography of seamount and canyon systems.
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Evening - Group Meal

Saturday 23 August 2003

9:00 *Applied Aspects and New Technologies*

9:00	Information Needs for Management (Ross Shotton?)
9:30	Information Needs for Conservation (Sabine Christiansen)
10:00	The SeamountsOnline information system (Karen Stocks)
10:15	Information systems for video and photos (Judith Connor)

10:30 Separate into separate on seamounts and canyons
Tasking of subgroups (goal: to develop a list of priority future activities)

11:00 Break

11:30 – 12:30 Sub-group Discussion: what factors are most limiting progress into the biogeography of seamounts and canyons and what are the priority activities for overcoming these factors. Areas to be considered:

- Priority research: geographic locations, taxonomic groups, biogeographic hypotheses.
- Data Integration and Access
- Analysis/Synthesis/Modeling
- Community Networking and Coordination
- Technology Development

12:30 Lunch

13:45 – 15:30 Sub-groups continue: developing a plan to energize future research on priority areas; funding sources and strategies

15:30 Break

15:50 Group convenes as whole

15:50 Report from Seamount sub-group

16:20 Report from Canyons sub-group

16:50 Discussion. Prioritization of next steps. Formation of committees for future efforts.

Evening - Group Meal

Sunday 24 August 2003

09:00 Joint plenary session with Deep-Sea Sediments workshop

9:00 Report from Deep-Sea Sediments workshop

9:30 Report from Seamount/Canyon workshop

10:00 Discussion of Common Issues

11:00 Adjourn

12:00 Bus to Coos Bay (paid by workshop) for those attending the Deep-Sea Symposium. For those not attending, transport to the airport will be arranged individually.

Lunch on the way (participant's expense)