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1. Objective

Survey the cold/freshwater filament with a focus on air/sea interaction jointly with IATALANTE/MERIAN. CTD casts on both sides of the front and in the filament for biogeochemical analysis. Many operations have been done in rather shallower water (<50m WD). Glider ifm03 with leak was successfully recovered by RV Meteor (great thanks to them). The cold filament was also fresh (<33.5). In the Moving Vessel Profiler data we observed plenty of ocean finestructure and gradient zones. Not many clouds and water vapor. Dolphins, a shark and Albatross were spotted. Water color changed abruptly due to the fronts that spin off from the filament.

2. Synoptic Situation

No report

3. Cruise-day Elements

Approx. Time (local)	Operation	Latitude	Longitude	Comm
	joint patch sampling with IAtalante			
11:30	End of joint patch sampling; CTD# 54	At position		
14:00	End of joint patch sampling; CTD# 55	7° 6.00'N	54° 22.00'W	
14:00	split from IAtalante and move north - heading towards Piarco Airspace/Guyana EEZ border WP: 9°19'N/55°46'W (possible cyclone with centre: 8°30N/55°22'W)			9kn MVP From 350m WD: Change MVP to uCTD every 30' And MSS 1.5h
18:30	CTD# 56	7°20'N	54°50'W	Full depth
	MSS(3)	same pos.		200m
18:30	Group meeting Note: New time			

Inter-calibration: with IAtalante

CTD Stations: see table

Overflights: no

4. Instrument Status

Operational:

Ocean – ADCP 38 & 75kHz; TSG; X-Band Radar; Underway O2, Chl-a (spectrometer); Incubation (PP; filtration); Nutrient/lab analysis; CTD/O2 +rosette; Moving vessel profiler; Microstructure sonde; Ferrybox pCO2; MIMS (O2/Ar, DSMS), underway CTD

Glider ifm09; ifm 03; ifm12 (see <https://gliderweb.geomar.de/> -> swarm 12;

Atmosphere – Halo Wind Lidar; Disdrometer; W-Band Radar. MRR (rain), sun photometer, Cloudcamera; SMPS (Aerosol; ship based); radiosondes; DWD Metrology package (incl. radiation); ARTHUS Raman Lidar; Splash drone (atmospheric state parameters); – MPCK+ (atmospheric state parameters+cloud microphysics; Cloudkite); Mini MPCK (atmospheric state parameters and fluxes; Cloudkite); SMPS (Aerosol; Cloudkite)

No functioning: Ceilometer

5. Outlook

Stop zig zag sampling of the front by noon and steam to 9N (Piarco) for launch of MPCK. Hope to find clouds.

6. Figures

94 GHz - Radar derived profiles and time series:









