



## The Drilling of the Lomonosov Ridge by the IODP and future Arctic scientific drilling







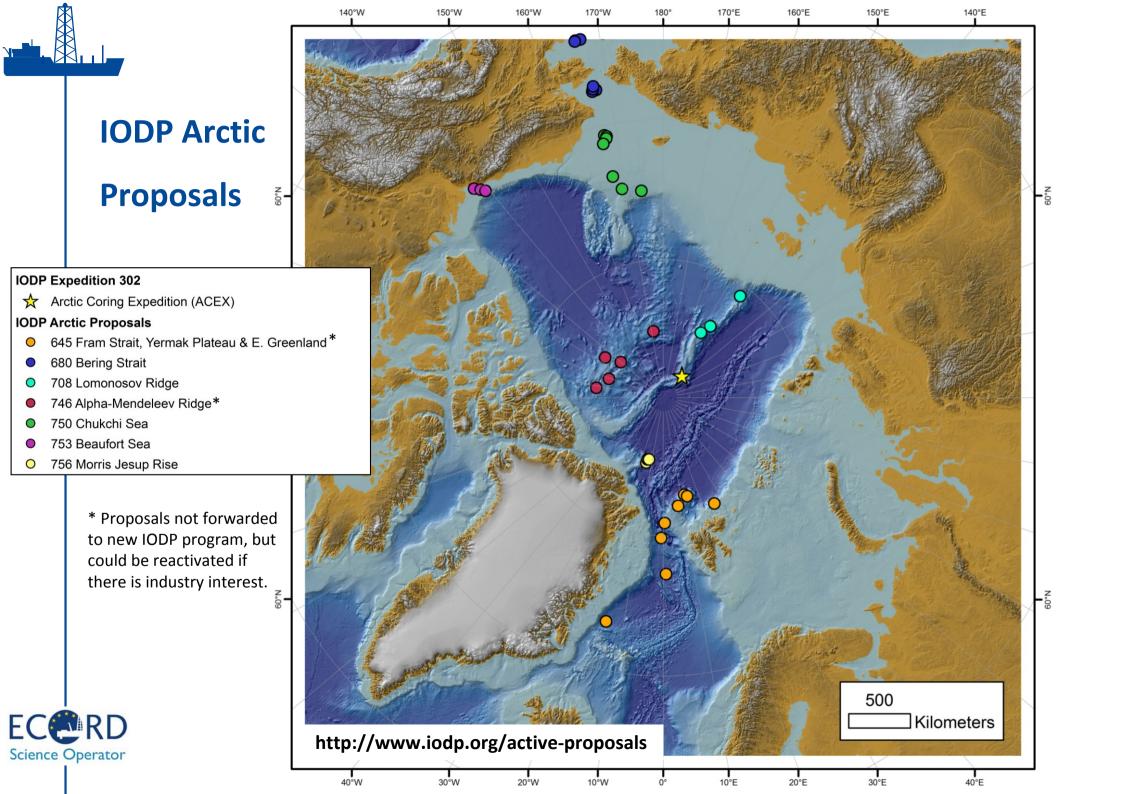


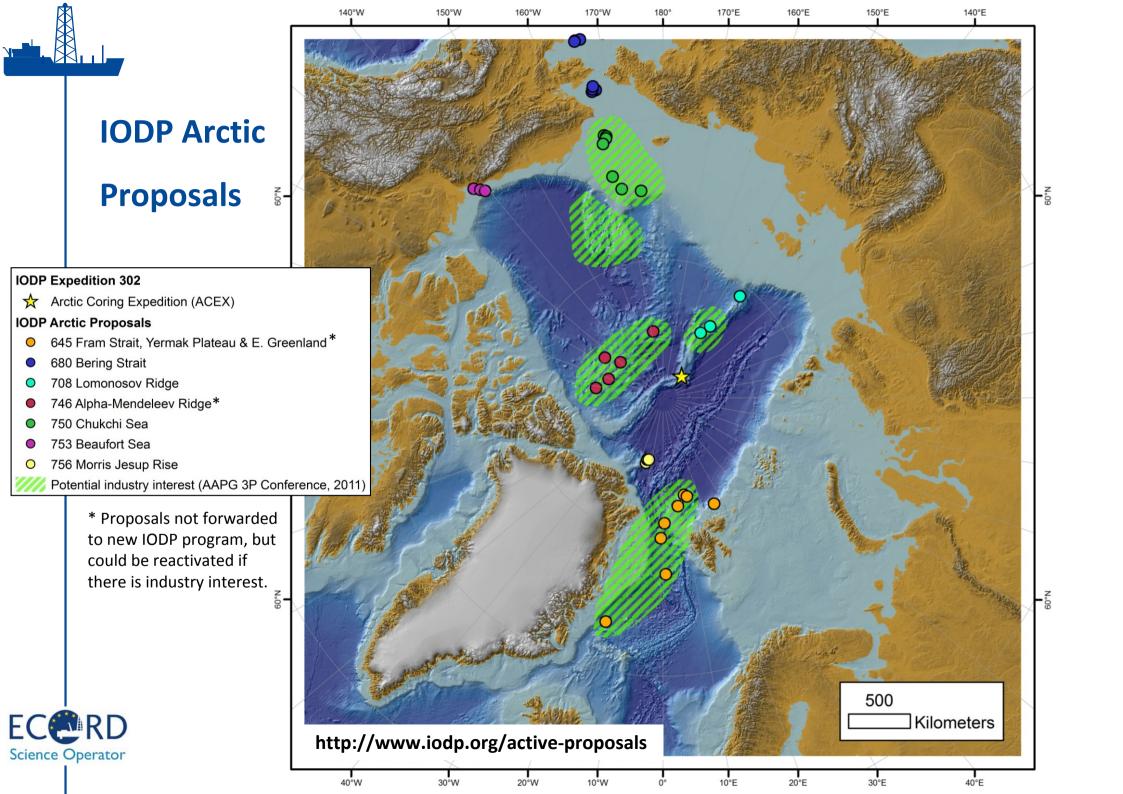
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### The Arctic Coring Expedition (ACEX)



#### Who Implemented ACEX?

The ECORD Science Operator (ESO), under the auspices of the Integrated Ocean Drilling Program (IODP)

#### The Swedish Polar Research Secretariat (SPRS)

- Support icebreaker sub-contracts (x2) and associated logistics
- Fleet management
- Helicopter services
- Ice management (sub-contracted to Arno Keinonen Arctic Consulting Incorporated AKAC Inc.)

Seacore Ltd.: drilling services and drillship sub-contract

Schlumberger: downhole logging services

.....plus the Science Party and Educators



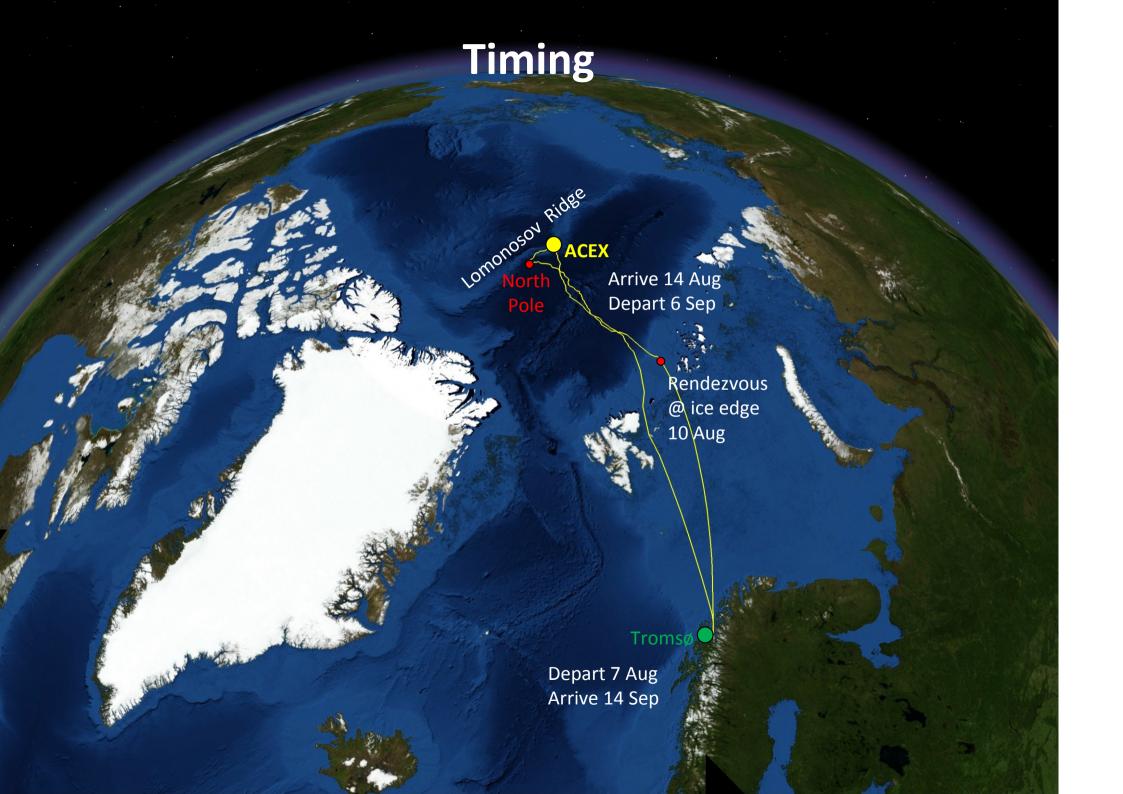


#### The ACEX Fleet

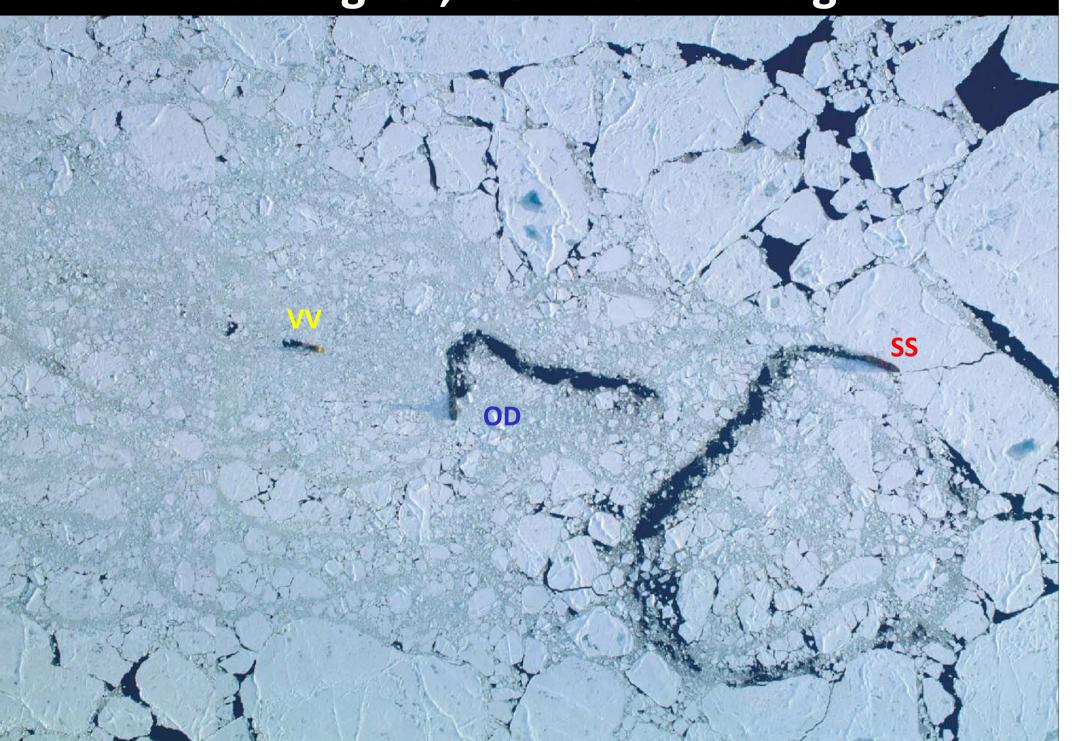






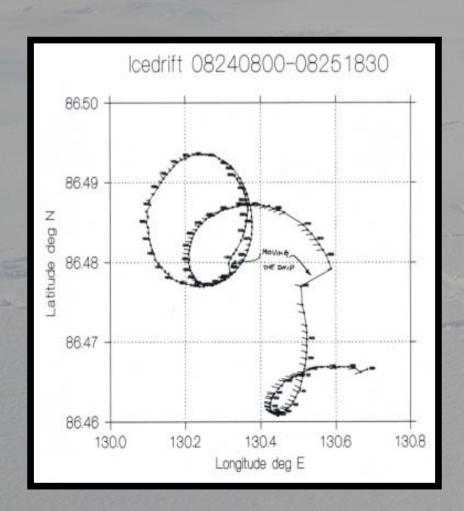


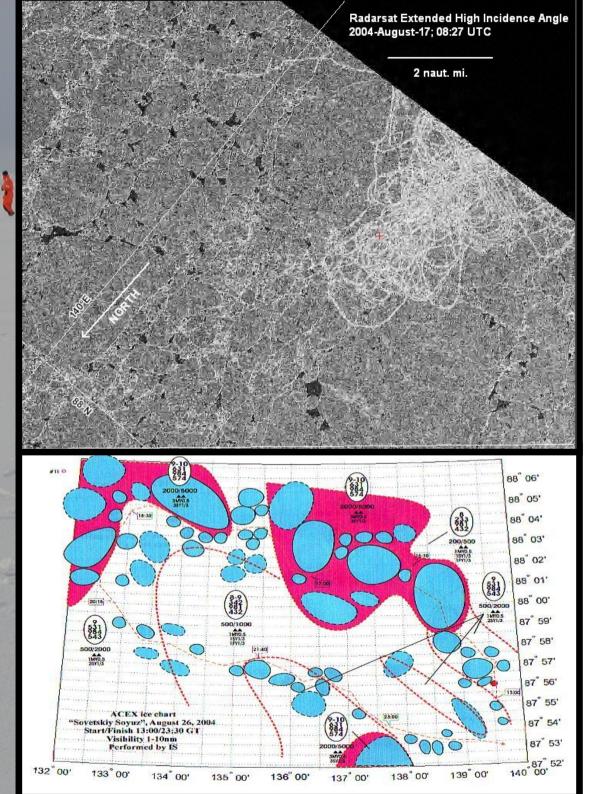
## Breaking ice, from 3.6 km height



#### Ice Management

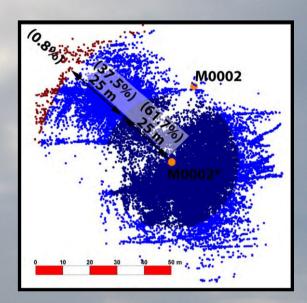


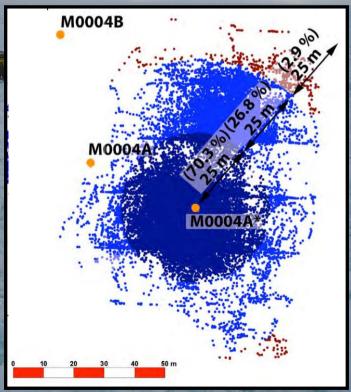




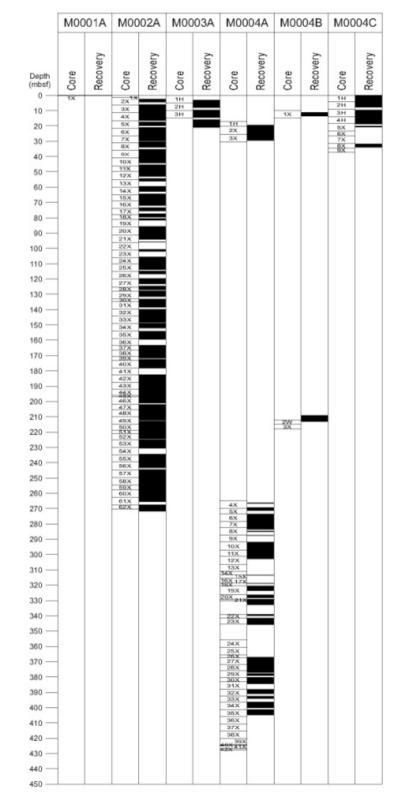
### **Station Keeping**













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#### **Summary**



- Ice management program exceeded expectations:
  - 48 consecutive hours envisaged: 9 days achieved at Site M0004.
  - Highly rated fleet and ice management teams.
- Hard-working, innovative drilling team.



 By using a similar fleet with a similar, if not identical Arctic-experienced professional team, the <u>success ACEX can be replicated in virtually any</u> <u>other area of the Arctic Ocean</u>.

