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SCIENCE GOALS

- Quantify production & export of fecal pellets and other zooplankton by-products (mucous feeding webs, molts, carcasses)
- Quantify active transport of carbon from the euphotic zone by both diel & ontogenetic (seasonal/life-cycle) vertical migrations



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Abundance/Distribution





MOCNESS tows to 1000m 2 day/night pairs per state



UVP (to 1000 m) half day, half night



Acoustic sampling



Live zooplankton capture





- Size-fractionated Biomass (wet, dry, C &N weights)
- Electron transport system
- Zooplankton ID, biovolume



Respiration & excretion Rates



Fecal Pellet production Rates

