

TN365 Marion Rise Cruise

International Collaborative Expedition : US-Germany-China 36 day cruise - RV Thompson - Durban to Cape Town Chf Scientists: Henry Dick, WHOI, USA Jurgen Koepke, Hannover, Germany Huaiyang Zhou, Tongji Univ., China

Focus on ultraslow spreading segments of Marion Rise from Discovery to Indomed FZs on SWIR.

Objective: To test the hypothesis that Marion Rise is isostatically supported by residual Gondawan mantle as opposed to hot mantle and thick crust of a hotspot plume.





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- Geophysical mapping : (Bathy, Mag, Grav)
 4998 km survey + 3749 km transit
- Rock Dredging : 33 dredges
- Sentry dives: 5 dives + waveglider nav Mapping: swath bathy, mag, plume sensors, MAPR 273 km of tracklines
 For details see talks and posters AGU session
 T13A-01 (Dick), T21D-0365 (Tivey)





