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21 May to 14 June 2014

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A *seascape* approach to understand population connectivity in taxa at chemosynthetic communities (primarily seeps) of the Intra-American Sea.

- physical oceanography
- larval ecology
- population genetics



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2012

• Caribbean

2014

• Gulf of Mexico

2015

• US eastern continental shelf/slope

- Alvin benthic sampling
- *Sentry* plankton pump
- Sentry mapping
- mooring recoveries and deployments
- MOCNESS tows

Highlights

- 3500 specimens, 7336 samples
- 21 Alvin dives (two 2-dive days), 25 science divers
 - 24 'rookies' (mostly grad students)
 - 1 post doc
 - 1 undergraduate
 - 2 artists
 - 1 ship's crew (Diego Mello)
 - 1 Sentry ops crew (Carl Kaiser)
 - only 1 experienced Alvin user (Craig Young)
 - no missed dives
- 18 Sentry missions
 - dual ops with MOCNESS
 - dual ops with Alvin
 - 1.2 mab plankton sampling (record low-level flight)
 - vertical mapping, Florida Escarpment
- 9 MOCNESS tows

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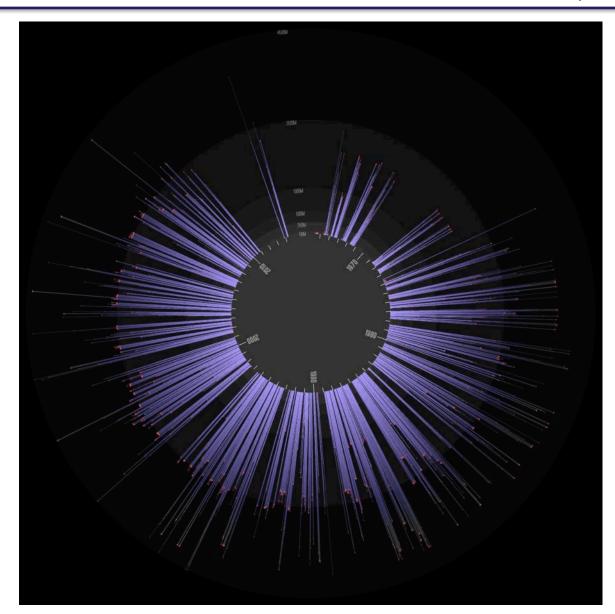
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'Sherman's Lagoon' cartoonist to explore deep-sea floor Tuesday – but this time, in real life.

