

FS METEOR

Expedition M201 VebVolc

09.06. – 18.07.2024 | Reykjavik – Praia da Vitoria



1. Weekly Report (07. - 09. June 2024)

Today, Sunday, 09 June, expedition M201 started investigating the cause and age of volcanism in the Vesturdjup Basin, East of Iceland.

RV METEOR arrived in Reykjavik late Wednesday, 05 June, and was visited on Friday, 07 June, by the German ambassador in Iceland, Clarissa Duvigneau, and embassy delegates to inform them about the science program and the ship. A few Icelandic scientists visited the vessel one day later for some more informal science chats with the PI's of M201.



RV Meteor in the port of Reykjavik, Iceland
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The working deck of RV Meteor is filled with containers and scientific equipment that had to be prepared and setup for the first station work of M201. © F. van der Zwan

The scientific team - 26 scientists from 9 different nations and 9 institutes and universities - boarded RV METEOR Friday morning, 08 June, and we immediately started preparing the labs and setting up the scientific equipment.

Sunday morning, we left the port of Reykjavik and headed towards the working area, where we began the first deployment of the seismic equipment. This will take a few more hours, and then we will start with the collection of seismic data late Sunday.

All participants are doing well, and the atmosphere on board is excellent.

On behalf of all participants of M201, greetings from aboard the RV METEOR,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Nico Augustin". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Chief Scientist