The Meteor left Funchal, Madeira at ~1600, 9 Dec, slightly delayed in order to test the faulty winch computer that had been repaired during the port stop in Madeira. With good weather, we have more than made up this delay during our transit to the study area, which we anticipate arriving at today, 15 Dec., early in the afternoon. We have spent this transit-week preparing and testing. Seas are calm, and spirits high.

Jason Phipps Morgan, 22°23'N, 44°8'W