

Expedition 353, 2nd Sampling Party at the KCC

Second sampling party was organized at the KCC during April 4 – 8, 2016 for taking discrete, cube and U-channel samples from the marine sediment cores collected by the US drill ship JOIDES Resolution during the IODP Expedition 353 (Indian Monsoon Rainfall). Eight researchers and students from China, Germany, Japan, and USA supported by curatorial staff from the KCC substantially accomplished the goal of the sampling party as they took about 4500 samples this time. These samples were taken based on a newly created splice by the XRF measurements of various Archive Half core sections in Germany and the USA. At the end of the sampling party, about 700 samples remained pending, and those will be taken by the KCC staff over a period of next few weeks, and then all samples may be shipped to the requesters sometime in May 2016 or little later.

