

Expeditions 355 (Arabian Sea Monsoon) and 360 (SW Indian Ridge Lower Crust and Moho) cores received

On the 17th and 18th March 2016, the KCC received ca. 1.7 km of cores recovered from the Arabian Sea, and ca. 0.5 km of cores from the SW Indian Ocean by the US drill ship JOIDES Resolution during the IODP Expeditions 355 (Arabian Sea Monsoon) and 360 (SW Indian Ridge Lower Crust and Moho), respectively. The Expedition 355 cores were brought under refrigeration in 40-foot containers from the GCR, College Station, USA, where onshore sampling of the cores was conducted a few weeks ago. The Expedition 360 cores were brought under ambient temperature condition in a 20-foot container from Mauritius, where the ship offloaded the cores. All these cores are temporarily stored for a few days on their pallets in the KCC reefer aisle to facilitate sorting of the core boxes and sequential racking of cores in the new reefer. With this addition of the cores from the Indian Ocean, the KCC's IODP core collection has grown to ca. 113.3 km.

