

ANALYSIS OF HARRISON BAY ZOOPLANKTON SAMPLES

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Methods

Zooplankton samples were collected by LGL personnel at eight stations in Harrison Bay (Table 1), 8-9 Aug 1980. All samples were collected with a 0.75 m ring net, mesh size 308 μm . One vertical and one double oblique tow were taken at each station. However, the boat drifted with the wind so most of the vertical tows had some horizontal component as well. Maximum depth of tow was generally 6-9 m.

Three apparently benthic samples were also sent to us for analysis. These samples, all from station 5, did not have haul sheets, so we do not know how they were collected. Perhaps they were collected when the plankton net inadvertently dragged along the bottom or perhaps they were sent to us by mistake. We assumed they were benthic samples from the presence of sediment and other debris and the number of burrowing amphipods.

Except for the double oblique tow from sta 6 that was split with a Folsom plankton splitter (McEwan et al. 1954), all organisms other than copepods were identified from the whole sample. Copepods were subsampled using an automatic pipet. All sorting and counting were done using dissecting microscopes. Compound microscopes were used to verify identifications when necessary. References used to identify the organisms are listed in Table 2.

Equations used to calculate the number of animals per unit volume were:

1. Volume of water filtered (V):
 - a. Double oblique tow: $V = (\text{ship speed}) \times (\text{duration of tow}) \times (\text{mouth area of net})$
 - b. Vertical tow: $V = (\text{sampling depth}) \times (\text{mouth area of net})$
2. Mouth area of net = $\pi r^2 = \pi \left(\frac{.75}{2}\right)^2$
3. Concentration (m^3)
 - a. Non copepods: Cone (m^3) = $\frac{(A) (2^n)}{V}$
 - b. Copepods: Cone (m^3) = $\frac{(A) \left(\frac{\text{sample vol}}{\text{vol pipetted}}\right)}{V}$

where A = number of animals counted; V = volume of water filtered, and n = the number of splits.

Results and Discussion

Copepods were by far the most abundant organisms in the plankton samples (Table 3). *Pseudocalanus elongatus*, with all stages present, was the dominant species. Other copepod species present in large numbers were *Microcalanus pygmaeus*, especially stage V; *Derjuginia tolli*, all stages; *Metiridia longa*, especially stages II and III; and *Calanus hyperboreus*, stages I, II, and III.

Other abundant taxa were hydrozoans, *Mysis* spp. juveniles, and juvenile amphipods from several genera. Other taxa were present and sometimes abundant, i.e., unidentified barnacle larvae in the vertical tow at sta 8.

Table 1. Collection information for zooplankton samples collected in Harrison Bay, 8-9 Aug 1980;

Sta	Date (GMT)	Time (GMT)	Latitude (N)	Longitude (W)	Max Depth Tow (m)
1	9 Aug	0105	70°45'	151°53'	6
2	9 Aug	0240	70°40'	151°46'	6
3	9 Aug	0432	70°37.3'	151°28.7'	6
4	10 Aug	0235	70°43'	151°47'	8
5	10 Aug	0204	70°40'	151°35'	9
6	10 Aug	0340	70°36.7'	151°13.9'	9
7	10 Aug	0704	70°35'	151°30'	9
8	10 Aug	0805	70°35'	150°15'	9

Table 2. References used to identify zooplankton species collected in Harrison Bay, 8-9 Aug 1980.

General

Broad, A. C., *et al.*, 1979
Cooney, R. T., and J. J. Crane, 1972
Hyman, L. H., 1951, 1959
MacGinitie, G. E., 1955
Smith, D. L., 1977

Cnidaria

Carlgren, O., 1933
Hartlaub, C., 1933
Kramp, P. L., 1961
Naumov, D. V., 1960
Shirley, D. W., and Y. M. Leung, 1970

Annelida

Dales, R. P., 1957
Hartman, O., 1959
Yingst, D. R., 1972

Mollusca

Leung, Y. M., 1971

Arthropoda - Crustacea

Sars, G. O., 1900b

Arthropoda - Crustacea - Ostracoda

Howe, H. V., 1962
Leung, Y. M., 1972c
Sars, G. O., 1928
van Morkhoven, F., 1962, 1963

Arthropoda - Crustacea - Copepoda

Jaschnov, W. A., 1947, 1955
Lang, K., 1948
Sars, G. O., 1903-1911

Arthropoda - Crustacea - Cirripedia

Hock, P. P. C., 1913

Arthropoda - Crustacea - Mysidacea

Holmquist, C., 1959
Leung, Y. M., 1972b
Zimmer, C., 1909

Arthropoda - Crustacea - Cumacea

Sars, G. O., 1900a

Arthropoda - Crustacea - Isopoda

Sars, G. O., 1899

Table 2. (cont.)

Arthropoda - Crustacea - Amphipoda

Bernard, J. L., 1969

Bousfield, E., 1979

Chevreur, E., 1906

Gurjanova, E., 1951

Sars, G. O., 1895

Schellenberg, D., 1929

Tencati, J. R., 1970

Arthropoda - Crustacea - Decapoda

Hart, J. F. L., 1960, 1971

Haynes, E. B., 1973

Motoh, H., 1973

Arthropoda - Crustacea - Euphausiacea

Leung, Y. M., 1970

Chaetognatha

Dawson, J. K., 1971

Chordata - Larvacea

Leung, Y. M., 1972a

Chordata - Pisces

Ehrenbaum, E. H., 1909

Musienko, L. N., 1970

Rass, T. S., 1949

Table 3. Abundance (number per 1000 m³*) of zooplankton taxa found in net hauls from Harrison Bay, 8-9 Aug 1980. All samples collected with a 0.75 m ring net, mesh size 308 μ m. Where no number is present, no animals were found.

Taxon	Station Number Tow Type [†]	1 V	1 DO	2 V	2 DO	3 V	3 DO	4 V	4 DO
Cnidaria - Hydrozoa									
<i>Aeginopsis laurentii</i>		2593	226	741	10		59	530	239
<i>Aglantha digitale</i>		1111	50						25
<i>Eumedusa birulai</i>									
<i>Euphysa flammea</i>		370							
<i>Halitholus cirratus</i>			50	741	30	370	151		63
<i>Obelia</i> sp.									
<i>Plotocnide borealis</i>		741	25					265	25
<i>Sarsia princeps</i>			25			370		265	
<i>Actinula</i> larvae			251						163
Nematoda - unidentified		1111							
Annelida - Polychaeta									
Iospilidae		22222		370	20			265	
Polynoidae		370							
Unidentified larvae		11111	478	370	90		8	530	704
Mollusca									
Gastropoda									
Pteropoda									
<i>Limacina helicina</i>			25				17		
Unidentified veliger larvae			25						
Bivalvia, - unidentified larvae					10				

* Volume of double oblique tows estimated as ship speed x mouth area of net x duration of tow; volume of vertical tows estimated as depth x mouth area of net

† V = vertical tow; DO = double oblique tow

Table 3. (cent.)

Taxon	Station Number		1	1	2	2	3	3	4	4
	Tow	Type	V	DO	V	DO	V	DO	V	DO
Arthropoda - Crustacea										
Ostracoda										
<i>Conchoecia</i> sp.				25						
<i>Polycope</i> sp.										
<i>Cyprideis sorbyana</i>			1481							
<i>Cytheridea papillosa</i>			4815			10				
<i>Cytheromorpha fuscata</i>			2593							
Cytherideidae			2963			20			265	
Bythocytheridae										38
Copepoda										
<i>Calanus glacialis</i> II										
<i>Calanus hyperboreus</i> III				7039	1852	201		2933	2652	1257
		II			35185	4223	240741	6285	2652	8798
		I			3704	1006	18518	1257	5305	
<i>Pseudocalanus elongatus</i> VI f			2325926	194067	33333	7843	2796296	68292	623342	212418
		VI m			1852			838		
		V f	44444	3017		201			2652	1257
		V m		1006				838	2652	1257
		IV f	14815	2001	20370	5631	629630	7542	5305	5028
		IV m			27778	4022	685185	7122	5305	7542
		III	162963	8044	233333	43841	2018518	31423	106101	62846
		II			16666	4625	74074	6285	103448	22624
		I					18518		2562	
<i>Microcalanus pygmaeus</i> VI f									5305	
		VI m								1257
		V f	59259	1006					5305	1257
		V m							23873	1257
<i>Derjuginia tolli</i> V f										
		V m								
		IV f	74074						18568	3771
		IV m	59259	3017		201	55556		15915	6285
		III	59259	1006		402	74074		31830	7542

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Taxon	Station Tow	Number Type ⁺	1	1	2	2	3	3	4	4
			V	DO	V	DO	v	DO	v	DO
		II					18518	419	7958	
		I								
<i>Eurytemora herdmanni</i>		VI f	14815			201				
		VI m								
<i>Metridia longa</i>		V m						419		
		IV f						419		
		IV m	14815			201	55556	838		1257
		III	14815		1852		74074	838	5305	1257
		II	29630	2011		201				
<i>Limnocalanus macrurus</i>		VI f								
		V f			3704	201			2652	
		V m		1006	3704			419		
		IV f							2652	5028
		IV m						419	2652	
		III								
		II				201		419		
<i>Acartia bifilosa</i>		VI m								
<i>Acartia clausii</i>		VI m			1852					
		IV f			1852					
		IV m			1852					
<i>Acartia longiremis</i>		VI f				201		419		
		IV f								1257
		IV m					18518			1257
<i>Oithona similis</i>		VI f								1257
<i>Harpacticus uniremis</i>		VI f	14815						2652	1257
		VI m							2652	
		V f								1257
Cirripedia - unidentified		nauplii							265	264

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Taxon	Station Number Tow Type †	1	1	2	2	3	3	4	4
		V	DO	V	DO	V	DO	V	DO
Mysidacea									
<i>Mysis litoralis</i> f									
<i>Mysis litoralis</i> m									
<i>Mysis litoralis</i> juvenile									
<i>Mysis</i> spp. juvenile				21481	151	14074	8		
Unidentified damaged mysids									
Cumacea									
Leuconidae									
Diastylidae		1111							
Isopoda									
Unidentified epicaridean larvae		741	50		20		17		
Amphipoda									
Gammaridea									
<i>Onisimus glacialis</i> juvenile		1111	50					265	
<i>Onisimus litoralis</i> f									
<i>Metopa</i> sp. juvenile			25						
<i>Acanthostepheia behringiensis</i>									
<i>Monoculodes</i> sp. juvenile		20741	25						
<i>Monoculodes</i> sp. damaged									
Oedicerotidae juvenile		13704		370	30				
<i>Apherusa glacialis</i> f									
<i>Apherusa glacialis</i> juvenile			50		30			265	
<i>Apherusa megalops</i> juvenile									
<i>Weyprechtia pinguis</i> m									
<i>Weyprechtia pinguis</i> juvenile									
<i>Marinogammarus</i> sp. cf. juvenile									
Gammaridae juvenile damaged									
Hyperiidea									
<i>Parathemisto abyssorum</i> juvenile									
<i>Hyperia galba</i> f									
<i>Hyperia galba</i> m							8		
<i>Hyperia galba</i> juvenile							8		

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Taxon	Station Number Tow Type†	1	1	2	2	3	3	4	4
		V	DO	v	DO	V	DO	v	DO
Unidentified hyperiid larvae		370	25	370					13
Decapoda									
Anomura									
Paguridae - unidentified zoea		1852	151			1481	126	265	88
Brachyura									
<i>Hyas</i> sp. stage I zoea							8		
Caridea									
Hippolytidae - unidentified zoea	741		25						13
Euphausiacea									
<i>Thysanoëssa raschii</i> juvenile									13
Calyptopis stage III									
Unidentified crustacean larvae									
Unidentified crustacean eggs		1111	1408			370		7958	1458
Chaetognatha									
<i>Sagitta elegans</i>		1111	201					1592	364
Unidentified immature chaetognaths									13
Chordata									
Larvacea									
<i>Fritillaria borealis</i>		1481	50			370		1592	867
Pisces (larvae)									
Cyclopteridae									
Gadidae								265	
Unidentified damaged larvae									
Other organisms									
Foraminifera		18148							138
Trochophore larvae		370	25						50

Table 3. (cent.)

Taxon	Station Number		5	5	6	6	7	7	8	8
	Tow	Type ⁺	V	DO	V	DO	v	DO	v	DO
Cnidaria - Hydrozoa										
<i>Aeginopsis laurentii</i>	1980		855		6188	4290	12871	2278	26238	1043
<i>Aglantha digitale</i>			13		248		248	15	495	38
<i>Eumedusa birulai</i>	248				248		248			
<i>Euphysa flammea</i>										25
<i>Halitholus cirratus</i>	495		188		1733	2011	2723	603	2228	75
<i>Obelia</i> sp.										13
<i>Plotocnide borealis</i>	248		25		495		248	136	248	50
<i>Sarsia princeps</i>	495				248	134	248		495	
<i>Actinula</i> larvae	990		126		3218	3888	11634	1840	10396	1358
Nematoda - unidentified								15		
Annelida - Polychaeta										
Iospilidae										
Polynoidae										
Unidentified larvae	5693		75		1485	536	1238	60	2475	327
Mollusca										
Gastropoda										
Pteropoda										
<i>Limacina helicina</i>	248				248		495	75	495	13
Unidentified veliger larvae							743	30		
Bivalvia - unidentified larvae										

Table 3. (cent.)

Taxon	Station Number Tow Type ^t	5 v	5 DO	6 V	6 DO	7 v	7 DO	8 V	8 DO
Arthropoda - Crustacea									
Ostracoda									
	<i>Conchoecia</i> sp.								
	<i>Polycope</i> Sp.			248					
	<i>Cyprideis sorbyana</i>								
	<i>Cytheridea papillosa</i>								
	<i>Cytheromorpha fuscata</i>								
	Cytherideidae								
	Bythocytheridae	248							
Copepoda									
	<i>Calanus glacialis</i> II		1257				3771		
	<i>Calanus hyperboreus</i> III	86634	8798	24752	12569			123762	1257
	II	37129	2514		8379		7542	24752	3142
	I								628
	<i>Pseudocalanus elongatus</i> VI f	1893564	358220	5866337	2547344	4084158	1591252	6311881	166541
	VI m	24752		24752	8379	24752	3771		628
	V f	12376	7542	24752	4190		41478	24752	628
	V m	12376	11312	24752	12569	99010	116893		
	IV f	24752	36450	198020	83794	49505	184766	247525	13198
	IV m	37129	57818	396040	150830	74257	297888	198020	7542
	III	569307	142031	767327	356125	866337	241327	1757426	60960
	II	49506		24752		99010			1257
	I								
	<i>Microcalanus pygmaeus</i> VI f							24752	1257
	VI m								
	V f	24752		24752				24752	1257
	V m	49506		24752				24752	2514
	<i>Derjuginia tolli</i> v f	12376							
	v m							24752	628
	IV f	24752			50276	123762	7542		1885
	IV m	86634		49505	46087	272277	18854		2514
	III	86634	2514	420792	113122	396040	33937	247525	2514

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Taxon	Station Number Tow Type ⁺	5 v	5 DO	6 v	6 DO	7 v	7 DO	8 V	8 DO
	II	222772		346535	92174	99010	3771		1257
	I				4190				
<i>Eurytemora herdmanni</i>	VI f							49505	
	VI m		1257						
<i>Metridia longis</i>	V m								
	IV f								
	IV m							24752	1257
	III	24752	2514	24752	12569	74257	3771	247525	5656
	II	12376			4190		3771	74257	1885
<i>Limnocalanus macrurus</i>	VI f		1257		4190				
	V f	12376							
	V m		1257			24752	7542	24752	
	Iv f				4190		3771		
	IV m						3771		
	III		1257		4190				
	11								
<i>Acartia bifilosa</i>	VI m						3771		
<i>Acartia clausii</i>	VI m								
	IV f								
	IV m								
<i>Acartia longiremis</i>	VI f								
	IV f								
	IV m				4190				
<i>Oithona similis</i>	VI f					24752			628
<i>Harpacticus uniremis</i>	VI f								
	VI m								
	V f								
<i>Cirripedia</i> - unidentified	nauplii		38			1733	106	13366	1571

Table 3. (cent.)

Taxon	Station Number	5	5	6	6	7	7	8	8
	Tow Type ^e	V	DO	V	DO	V	DO	v	DO
Mysidacea									
<i>Mysis litoralis</i> f									
<i>Mysis litoralis</i> m									
<i>Mysis litoralis</i> juvenile							495		
<i>Mysis</i> spp. juvenile		495	666	14356	57919	24010	1659	248	
Unidentified damaged mysids						2228			
Cumacea									
Leuconidae									
Diastylidae									
Isopoda									
Unidentified epicaridean larvae		743	38	2228		1238	90	990	88
Amphipoda									
Gammaridea									
<i>Onisimus glacialis</i> juvenile		248							
<i>Onisimus litoralis</i> f									
<i>Metopa</i> sp. juvenile							15	248	13
<i>Acanthostepheia behringiensis</i>									
<i>Monoculodes</i> sp. juvenile		495							
<i>Monoculodes</i> sp. damaged									
Oedicerotidae juvenile		990							
<i>Apherusa glacialis</i> f						248	15	495	38
<i>Apherusa glacialis</i> juvenile		1485	63	248		248	15	990	63
<i>Apherusa megalops</i> juvenile				248	268				
<i>Weyprechtia pinguis</i> m			25				15		
<i>Weyprechtia pinguis</i> juvenile				2	4	8	248	15	248
<i>Marinogammarus</i> sp. cf. -juvenile			13				15		
Gammaridae juvenile damaged				248					
Hyperiidea									
<i>Parathemisto abyssorum</i> -juvenile							15		
<i>Hyperia galba</i> f			25	248	268	248	30		
<i>Hyperia galba</i> m					134			248	
<i>Hyperia galba</i> juvenile					268	743	15	248	13

Table 3. (cent.)

Taxon	Station Number		5	5	6	6	7	7	7	7
	Tow	Type [†]	v	DO	v	DO	v	DO	v	DO
Unidentified hyperiid larvae			248	38			248	30	248	
Decapoda										
Anomura										
Paguridae, unidentified zoea			495	214	990	402	248	362	2970	214
Brachyura										
<i>Hyas</i> sp. stage I zoea				25	248			15	248	
Caridea										
Hippolytidae - unidentified zoea				38				60		38
Euphausiacea										
<i>Thysanoëssa raschii</i> juvenile							248		495	
<i>Calyptopis</i> stage III							248			
Unidentified crustacean larvae					248	268	743	30		38
Unidentified crustacean eggs			1238	1269	248	536	743	2081	1238	75
Chaetognatha										
<i>Sagitta elegans</i>			248		495		248	15	743	
Unidentified immature chaetognaths								15		
Chordata										
Larvacea										
<i>Fritillaria borealis</i>			2970	767	3713	402	1980	468	18812	2313
Pisces (larvae)										
Cyclopteridae				25		536	743	90	248	25
Gadidae					248		248	106	495	75
Unidentified damaged larvae									248	
Other organisms										
Foraminifera			743	2.5	248		248			
Trochophore larvae				13	495	134	495	256	495	138

It is likely that *Pseudocalanus elongatus* and *Derjuginia tolli* breed in Harrison Bay because both young copepodid stages and mature adults were present at the same time. More than one immature stage of several other species was present, suggesting that at least part of their life cycle is adapted for survival in shallow water.

Calanus hyperboreus, *Microcalanus pygmaeus*, and *Metridia longa* are known to breed independently of their food supply (Heinrich 1962), with *C. hyperboreus* and *M. longa* apparently not feeding extensively until stage II or III (Hansen *et al.* 1971). Adults of these two species were collected only in one of the benthic samples.

Calanus glacialis was present as stage II copepodids in two samples. Grainger (1965) reported that stage I copepodids developed from nauplii in late July and early August, with stage II's developing in early September. He suggested that this species probably overwintered as stage III with development continuing during a second summer. This species is reported to breed when phytoplankton is abundant (Heinrich 1962).

Calanus hyperboreus stages I, II, and III were found in most plankton tows, but adult females (stage V) were only found in a benthic sample. This species probably also overwinters as stage III (Hansen *et al.* 1971). In the Gulf of Maine, this species lives below the photic zone, coming to the surface only during the spring phytoplankton bloom (Conover 1967). In laboratory experiments Conover (1967) found that adequate egg production could occur even when food was scarce or absent.

Pseudocalanus elongatus was the dominant species in all of the plankton hauls. Few adult males were present, but many of the adult females were carrying eggs attached to the genital segment and eggs could be seen in the oviducts. Ussing (1938) reported *P. elongatus* to be abundant in all seasons in East Greenland fjords with a population explosion in July and August. This agrees with RU 359's data from Stefansson Sound where *P. elongatus* was the most abundant species in Nov 1978, March and May 1979, and off Narwhal Island in Apr, May, and Jun 1980 (Homer and Schrader 1981).

Microcalanus pygmaeus is considered to be a deep-living animal (Ussing 1938). Only adults and stage V individuals were found in the Harrison Bay samples. It apparently develops during winter and is not dependent on phytoplankton for food,

The distribution of *Derjuginia tolli* is closely related to the presence of brackish water (Jaschnov 1947). It has been reported from the High Polar Basin, but Johnson (1963) considered it to be an expatriate from coastal areas.

Eurytemora herdmani is another brackish water species occurring in coastal waters of northeastern and northwestern North America and northeastern Asia, but it is not found in fresh water or water with very low salinity (Wilson and Tash 1966, Johnson 1966). Adults were found in Harrison Bay and females carried eggs.

Metridia longa was present in all the plankton tows from Harrison Bay. An adult male was found in one of the benthic samples. This species was

common during winter in East Greenland fjords (Ussing 1938). Spawning occurred in August, with most of the adults dying in Sep-Ott. Eggs and nauplii descended to deeper water where development occurred in winter. Distinct diurnal migrations occurred in late summer as soon as there was a difference between night and day (Ussing 1938). *Metridia longa* apparently does not feed much until stage II or III (Hansen *et al.* 1971).

Limmocalanus macrurus, present in all Harrison Bay samples, has a widespread, circumpolar distribution and occurs in fresh as well as brackish water (Holmquist 1970).

Adult males of *Acartia bifilosa* were found in the double oblique tow from sta 7. It is a brackish water species, common in the northern Baltic (Segestråle 1957) and has been reported to be abundant in some northwestern Alaska lagoons (Johnson 1961). It is probably an expatriate in Harrison Bay.

Acartia clausii and *A. longiremis* were not abundant in Harrison Bay. *Acartia clausii* is considered to be an inshore, estuarine species (Willey 1920), while *A. longiremis* is a widespread, neritic species (Johnson 1961).

Oithona similis is a small-sized, common, boreal cyclopoid species that was rare in Harrison Bay samples probably because of the relatively large meshed net we used.

Harpacticus uniremis is a widespread, littoral harpacticoid species, probably caught when the net was towed near the bottom or contained debris to which the animal was attached.

All of the hydrozoans are common, widespread species in Arctic coastal seas. *Aeginopsis laurentii* and *Aglantha digitale* are common pelagic species, while *Halitholus cirratus*, *Plotocnide borealis*, and *Sarsia princeps* are meroplanktonic species having pelagic medusae and attached polyp stages. *Halitholus cirratus* is reported to occur in freshened water in bays and at river mouths. All of these species have been reported from plankton samples collected previously by RU 359.

Polychaete larvae were most abundant at sta 1, but were present at all stations. Larvae are pelagic while adults may be either pelagic or benthic. Pelagic barnacle larvae were also present, primarily at sta 7 & 8. Adult barnacles are benthic. The ostracods, most abundant at sta 1, are probably also benthic species.

Most of the mysids and amphipods collected in Harrison Bay were juveniles; none were present in large numbers, although this may be an artifact caused by our sampling gear. All have been reported from previous OCSEAP samples. Juvenile mysids were most abundant at sta 2, 3, 6, & 7. Juvenile amphipods were most numerous at sta 1. Decapod zoea were present in low numbers at all stations. Unidentified crustacean eggs were also common at all stations.

Chaetognaths were present at all stations except 2 & 3 and were identified as *Sagitta elegans*, a common nearshore species.

Fritillaria borealis was the only larvacean in these samples and was present at all stations except sta. 2.

Fish **larvae** were most abundant at stations 7 & 8. Larvae were identified only to family with **Cyclopteridae** and Gadidae being present.

With the exception of the copepod *Acartia bifilosa* and perhaps some of the Ostracoda, all of the species identified in these samples have been reported previously from the Beaufort Sea by OCSEAP investigators. The presence of many juveniles among the larger crustaceans and young stages of many copepods relatively late in the season suggests that much development **must** occur during winter when food from **phytoplankton** productivity is low. Or if development does not occur, then the juveniles and young must be able **to** overwinter at low metabolic rates. Some copepods have young stages that apparently do not feed much (Hansen *et al.* 1971) and others, such as *Calanus hyperboreus*, can complete their life cycles using stored lipids as a carbon source (Conover 1967). It is not known what most **animals** do in winter. Schneider and Koch (1979) have shown that few amphipods are able to utilize carbon from terrestrial sources. It is gradually becoming known that some copepod species may be more opportunistic feeders than previously thought. Berk *et al.* (1977) have reported **ciliates** to be an important food source for one species of *Eurytemora* and suggested that **they** might be important for copepods in general. **Ciliates** have not been studied at all by OCSEAP investigators, and **nothing is** known about their occurrence or importance **in** Beaufort Sea coastal areas, although they have been abundant in some **phytoplankton** net samples from the Barrow area and in some ice cores collected for ice algae studies (Homer personal observations). They are known to utilize bacteria and particulate organic material as well as diatoms, flagellates, and other **ciliates** as food sources (Fenchel 1968). Perhaps they help provide a carbon source when **phytoplankton** carbon is not available.

Animals found in the three **benthic** samples are listed in Table 4. The numbers given are the number of specimens counted in the entire sample. Numbers per unit volume cannot be calculated because there is no **haul** data, Most of the species are **benthic** ones.

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Table 4. Relative abundance* of animals found in samples taken at station 5, Harrison Bay, 14 Aug 1980. Method of collection unknown. Where no number is present, no animals were found.

Taxon	Sample Number	1	2	3
Cnidaria - Hydrozoa				
<i>Aeginopsis laurentii</i>		1	3	1
Nematoda - unidentified			21	27
Annelida - Polychaeta				
Unidentified benthic spp.		14	51	32
Mollusca - Bivalvia - unidentified		4	7	1
Arthropoda - Crustacea				
Ostracoda				
<i>Cyprideis sorbyana</i>		1		
Copepoda				
<i>Calanus hyperboreus</i> VI f			1	
V m			1	
III		4		2
<i>Pseudocalanus elongatus</i> VI f		1	1	
<i>Euchaeta glacialis</i> IV f		1		
<i>Limnocalanus macrurus</i> V f				1
<i>Metridia longis</i> VI m			1	
Mysidacea				
<i>Mysis</i> spp. juveniles		10	17	33
Cumacea				
Diastylidae female			2	
juveniles		7	14	16
Amphipoda				
Gammaridea				
<i>Aceroides latipes</i> female (gravid)			1	
female			8	11
male			7	6
juvenile			12	12
<i>Paroediceros lynceus</i> juvenile			1	
Oedicerotidae juvenile				5
<i>Apherusa megalops</i> juvenile				2
Unidentified crustacean eggs			25	56
Priapulida				
<i>Halicryptus spinulosus</i>			1	
Chordata - Pisces				
Gadidae			1	
Foraminifera		9	23	14

* Numbers given are number counted in entire sample. Lack of haul data prevents calculation of abundance per unit volume. Most animals are **benthic**.

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