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Zhong Shan Da Xue Ji Di's 2024 Arctic Voyage: A Journey of Observation and Exploration

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The 2024 Arctic voyage, led by Sun Yat-Sen University aboard the icebreaker *Zhong Shan Da Xue Ji Di*, marked a comprehensive observational journey through the Arctic's challenging landscapes. Spanning 74 days and 11,500 nautical miles, including 1,473 nautical miles within ice-covered regions, this expedition provided a unique platform for gathering extensive data on the Arctic environment. The research team conducted multidisciplinary observational missions aimed at understanding interactions among sea ice, ocean, and atmosphere, with a particular focus on the dynamics of the marginal ice zone. Researchers employed methods from remote sensing, oceanography, geophysics, and atmospheric science to gather essential observations on sea-ice drift, melting patterns, ocean circulation, and atmospheric feedback. The voyage offered a valuable opportunity to monitor seasonal changes and interactions within the Arctic environment, capturing data critical for understanding its response to climate pressures. This seminar will provide an in-depth overview of the expedition, detailing the mission's scope, observational approaches, and the methodologies applied across disciplines. Insights from this voyage contribute to foundational knowledge needed for advancing Arctic climate models and tracking environmental shifts in this rapidly changing region.



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