2012 Project Summary

From Rivers to the Ocean: The Dynamics of Freshwater Export from Hudson Strait

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This project seeks to quantify the variability of the freshwater export from Hudson Strait, the third largest oceanic contributor of freshwater to the North Atlantic, and to understand which processes regulate its variability. It involves the analysis of moored data, a high resolution regional process model and an idealized model.

Recent Results

A series of papers showing that the freshwater export is strongly dominated by the regional wind forcing, on interannual time scales, and to the river input variability on longer time scales have been published this year. A synopsis of the observed freshwater outflow will be presented at the upcoming IPY meeting this spring.

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