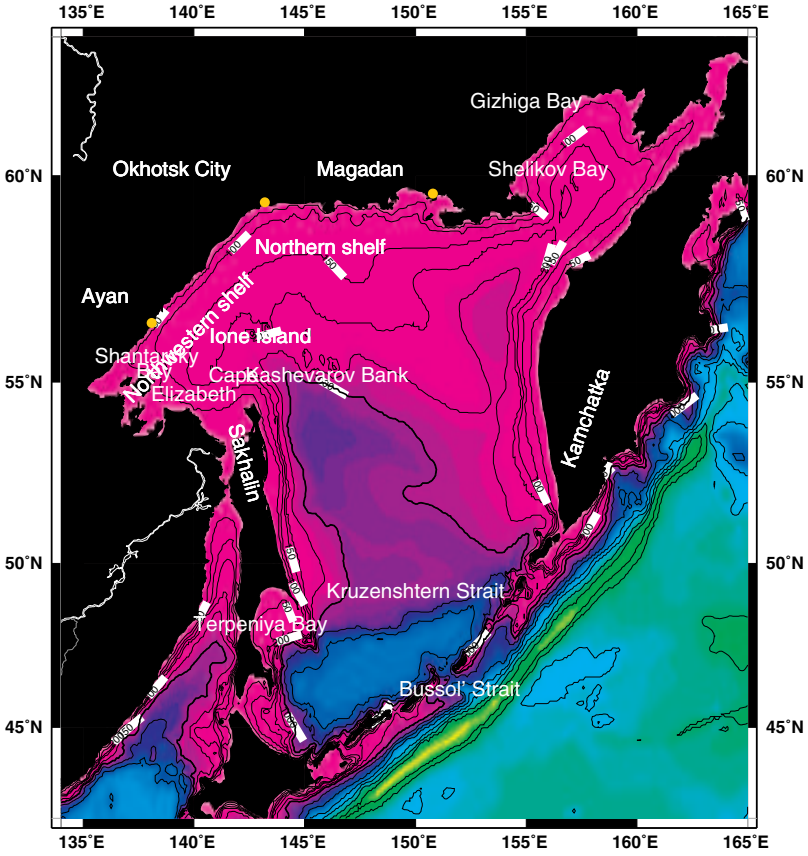

Figure 1. (a) Okhotsk Sea geography.

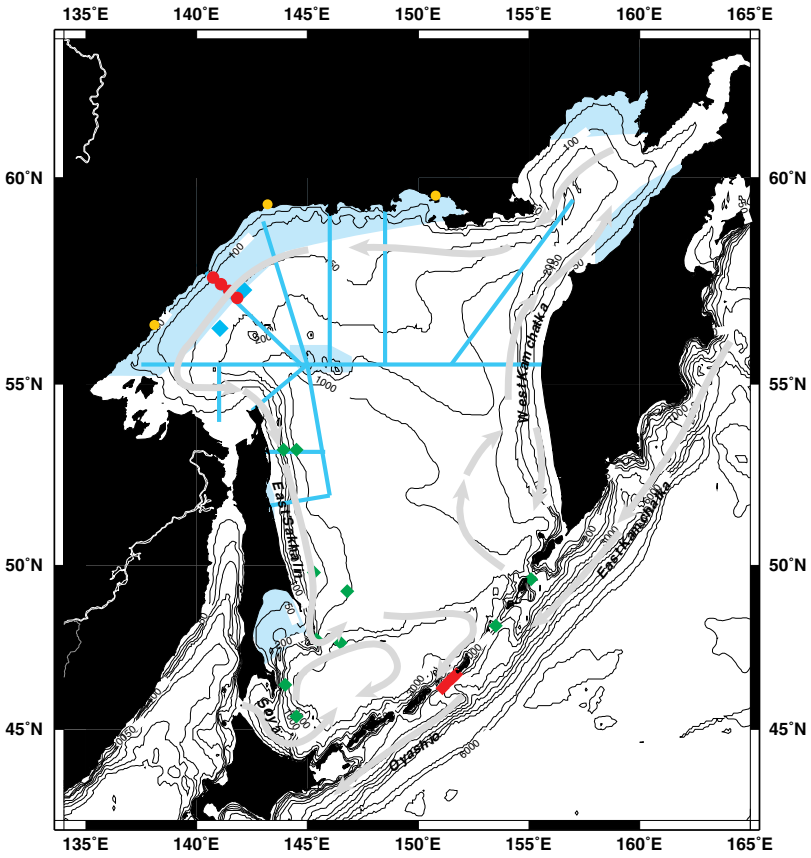

Figure 1. (b) Proposed U.S. observations for 1999 to 2000, including the shelf landers (red circles) and hydrographic stations (blue lines) Kitani's (1973) dense shelf water observations are shown with light blue diamonds (full station pattern is included in Fig. 3a). Green and red diamonds indicate Japanese/U.S. current meter moorings planned for this period (JAMSTEC and Riser). Also shown is the 500 meter isobath and a very schematic version of the main currents in the Okhotsk Sea, based on Luchin (1993) (reproduced in Talley and Nagata, 1995). Light blue shaded regions indicate the coastal and Kashevarov Bank polynyas.