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Foramainiferal distribution in the methane sseepage area off Joetsu, eastern margin of the Japan Sea

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Foraminiferal assemblages of surface sediments in the methane seepage area off Joetsu, the eastern Japan Sea, were examined for the purpose of finding effects of the methane seepage on the beenthic foraminiferal distribution. Samaples were collected from three methane seepage sites, two on the Umitaka-kaikyaku and one on the Joetsu knoll. Susrface sediments were taken using push corers operated by ROV