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In the last few blogs, I have mentioned the abbreviation; CTD, this generally means Conductivity, temperature and depth. So these are the things that they are aiming to measure. Today however, was a very special CTD, it went down to 1000+ meters. The tradition on board, when a CTD goes down that far, is to attach polystyrene cups onto the framework. It sounds weird, but when the CTD goes down, the pressure causes it to shrink, I felt like a giant holding the tiny cup. I didn't really participate in the work this time, but I did get to see the BRUV's, I was glad that I did get to see this though, as a baby shark swam past the camera. We weren't sure what type of shark it was, but it was cool to see one in the wild. Whilst this was going on the deep water camera work was also being conducted, as we were on the seamount, there was nothing much to be seen except sand.

I have to say that my confidence has really grown since I've had the opportunity to go on the DISCO, I did an interview for the documentary that they are making for the Discovery expedition. I have to admit, that I was really nervous, I could speak perfectly fine to the guys that were doing the video, but as soon as the camera was there I stuttered and was completely nervous! But I said what I needed to say, after several attempts.

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