ANNUAL REPORT ON GEOTRACES ACTIVITIES IN NORWAY

May 1st, 2022 to April 30th, 2023

Outreach activities conducted

• *Popular article:* Climate change may lead to more toxic mercury in the Arctic <u>https://partner.sciencenorway.no/arctic-ocean-barents-sea-biology/climate-change-may-lead-to-more-toxic-mercury-in-the-arctic/2066235</u>

Other GEOTRACES activities

 Building Capacity to Crosslink Coastal Pollution with Climate Change (BC5) Project, (funded by Norad - Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation), focusing on pollution from e-waste and plastic pollution, had both Ghana and Tanzania field works (December 2022 – February 2023) to collect trace elements including Hg and MeHg 2022-2023

New GEOTRACES or GEOTRACES-relevant publications (published or in press)

- *Kohler et al., 2022.* Arctic Ocean's wintertime mercury concentrations limited by seasonal loss on the shelf. <u>https://doi.org/10.1038/s41561-022-00986-3</u>
- *Dietz et al., 2022.* A risk assessment review of mercury exposure in Arctic marine and terrestrial mammals <u>https://doi.org/10.1016/j.scitotenv.2022.154445</u>
- *Kohler et al., 2022.* Distribution pattern of mercury in northern Barents Sea and Eurasian Basin surface sediment. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.marpolbul.2022.114272
- *Moreau et al., 2023.* Wind-driven upwelling of iron sustains dense blooms and food webs in the eastern Weddell Gyre https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-023-36992-1

Completed GEOTRACES PhD or Master theses

• Laura M Kull MSc thesis (August 2022). Total Mercury Distribution in the Barents Sea and the Arctic Ocean Surface Sediments https://hdl.handle.net/11250/3028517

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