

Mussel Seed Installation

In the Western Dutch Wadden Sea there are Mussels that are grown on hanging long-lines. The seeds are harvested for further growth in mussel farms until they are ready for consumption. To understand the impact of such mussel nets on the local environment, we have attempted to measure, by ship, the mass and nutrient balance for an area that encloses the entire installation. This turned out to be a complicated and nearly impossible task, due to the strong tidal currents that change faster than we could circle around the area to do measurements.