**Table S1**: Positive *Mnemiopsis leidyi* net samples collected during the presented investigations, with location data. Temperature and salinity are averages from the upper 30 m of a ctd cast made at the collection locality. When bottom depth is given as >n, it is based on maximum depth of the ctd cast. Length is the oral–aboral length, given as a range for 2008 coastal cruise and the 2009 & 2010 Hardangerfjord data, and average for the rest. For MOCNESS hauls with *M. leidyi*, nets without *M. leidyi* are also shown to illustrate vertical distribution. For locations of hauls without *Mnemiopsis leidyi* taken during the investigations at hand, see Figs 1 & 2.