

Deepwater robotic platforms at Marum, Universität Bremen

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2 Technology Halls
Test Basin
Workshop





High Pressure Test Facility

730 bar

780 l Volume





500 kVA Diesel Generator

**ca. 50 Containers
Termination Boxes
(div. Special-Container)**



15t Fork Lift

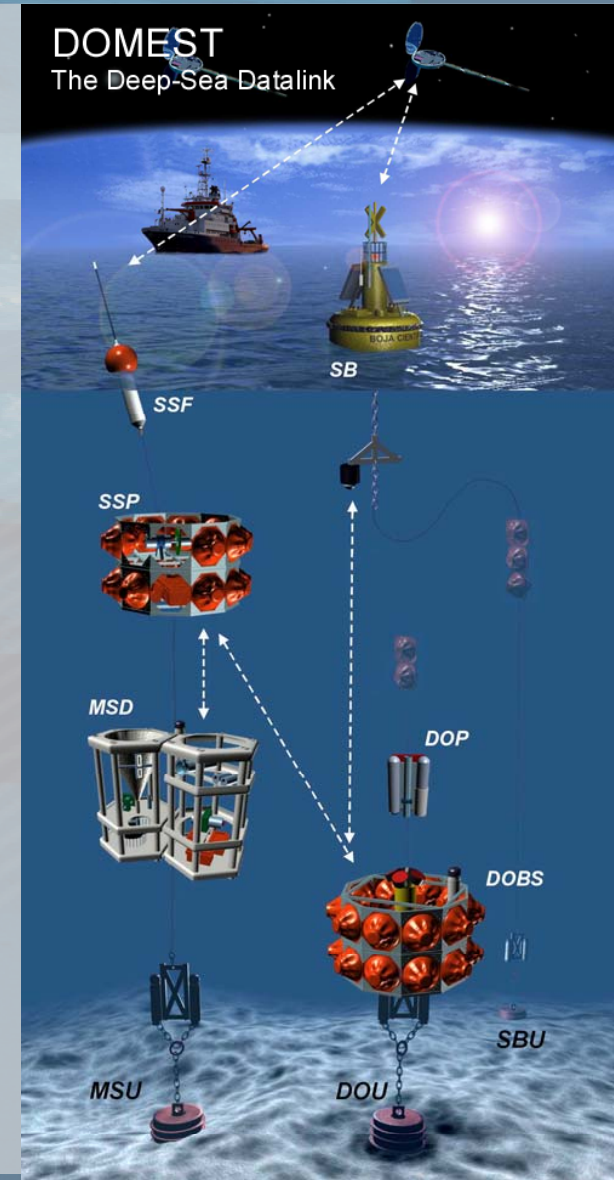
3t Fork Lift

div. Handling Gear



DOMEST / DOLAN mooring

with online data access, 1996 - 2008





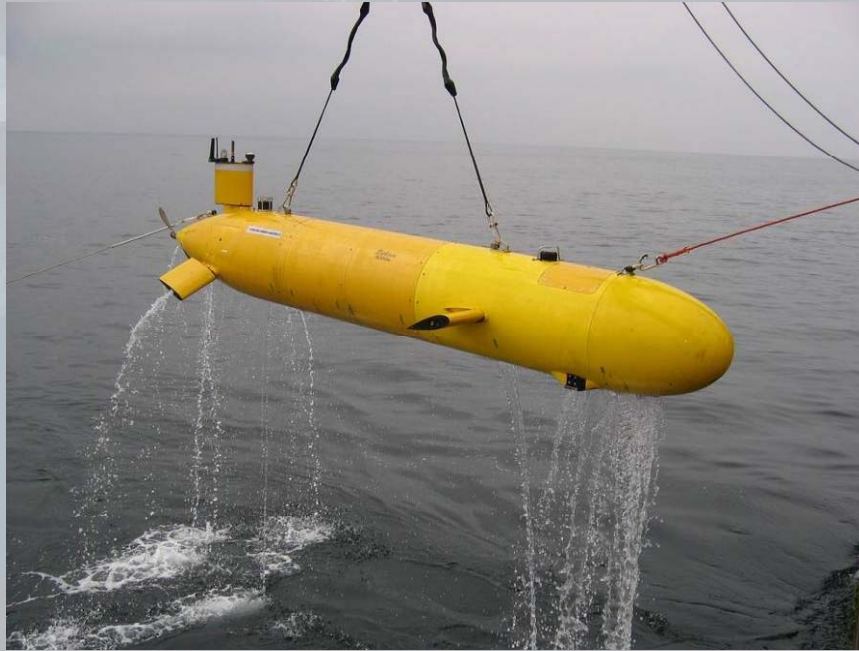
CHEROKEE

1000 m, inspection class ROV
2001 - present
(N. Nowald)

QUEST 4000

4000 m heavy workclass ROV
2003 - present
(V. Ratmeyer)





Bremen – SEAL 5000 m

Long range mapping AUV

2007 - present

(G. Meinecke)

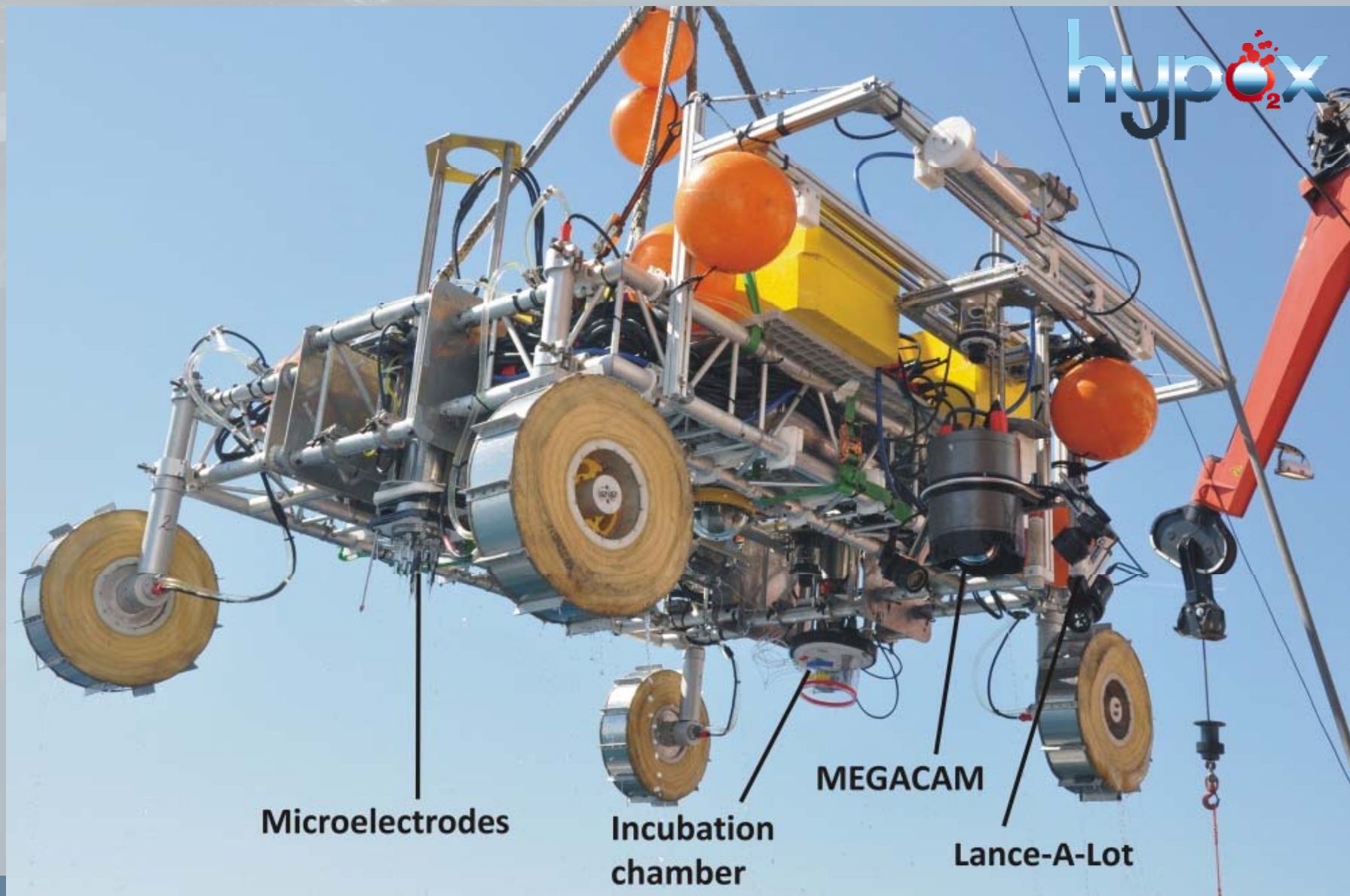
MOVE moving lander

In-house development, 6000 m

2000 - present

(C. Waldmann)



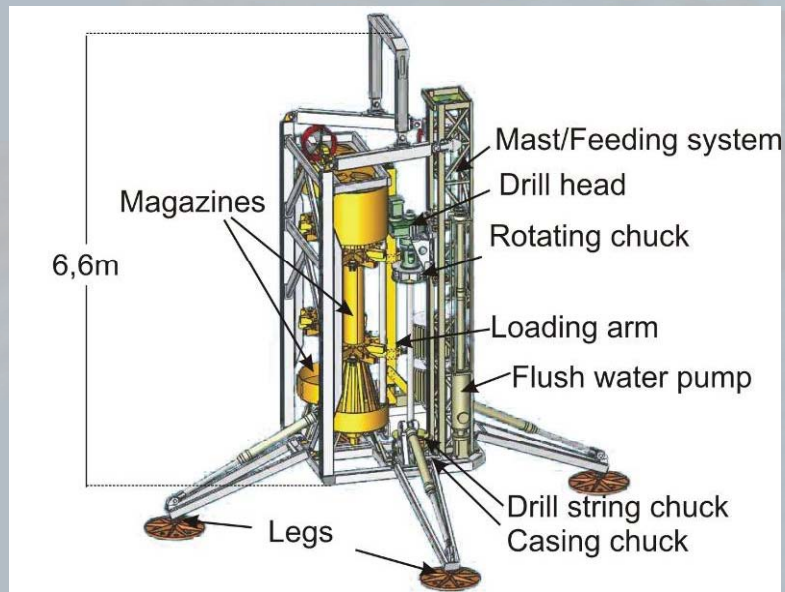


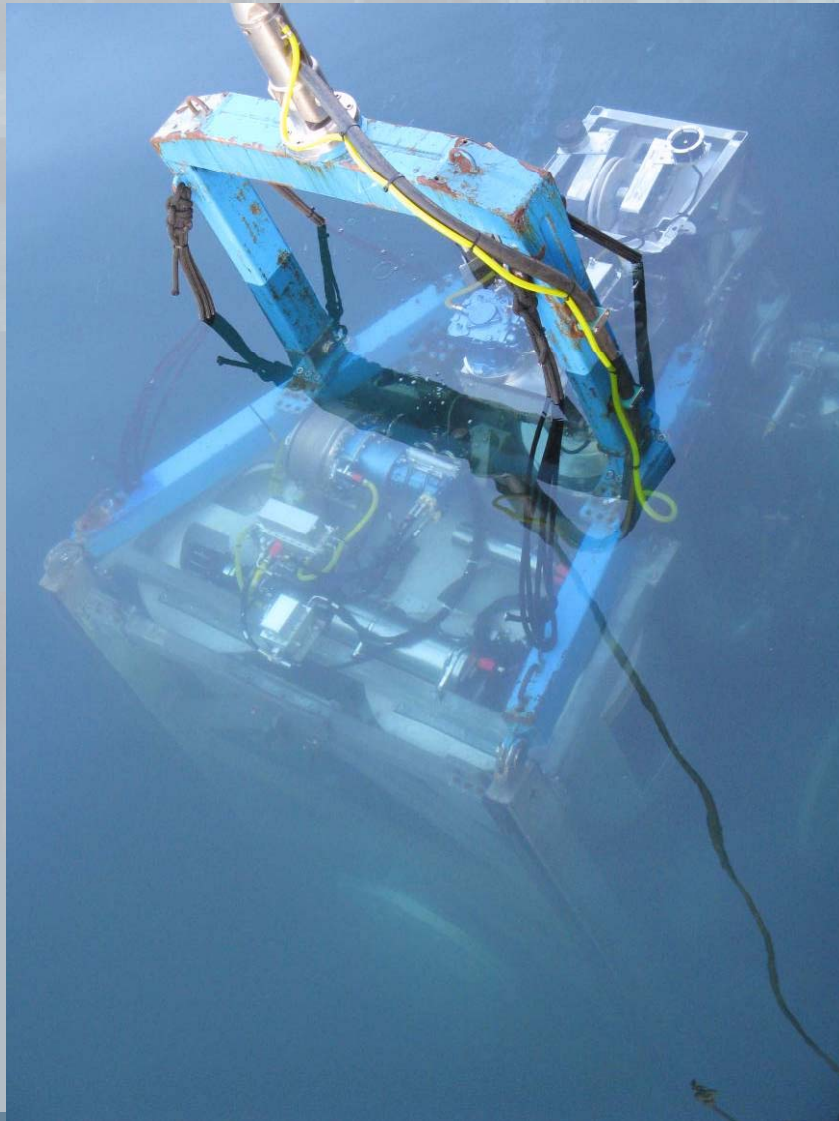
MeBo „MeeresBodenBohrgerät“

2000 m heavy seafloor drill

2005 - present

(T. Freudenthal)





Marum SD (K. Huhn)
MSM15/3: off Sicily



SO211 ChiMeBo
(D. Hebbeln)

Hiev: Tirpitzhafen



SO211: off Chile

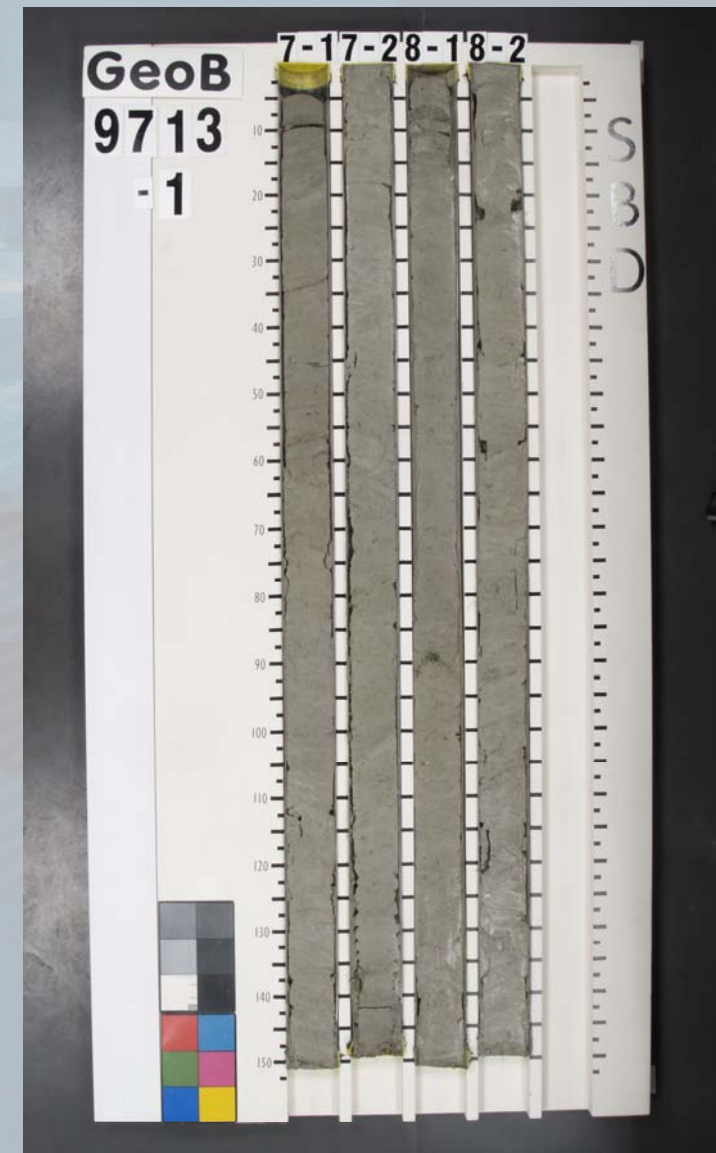
Specifications

- deployment depth up to 2000 m
- drill depth 70 m
- core diameter 55/63 mm
- sampling of soft sediment and hard rock
- transport in 20' container; weight 9.5 t

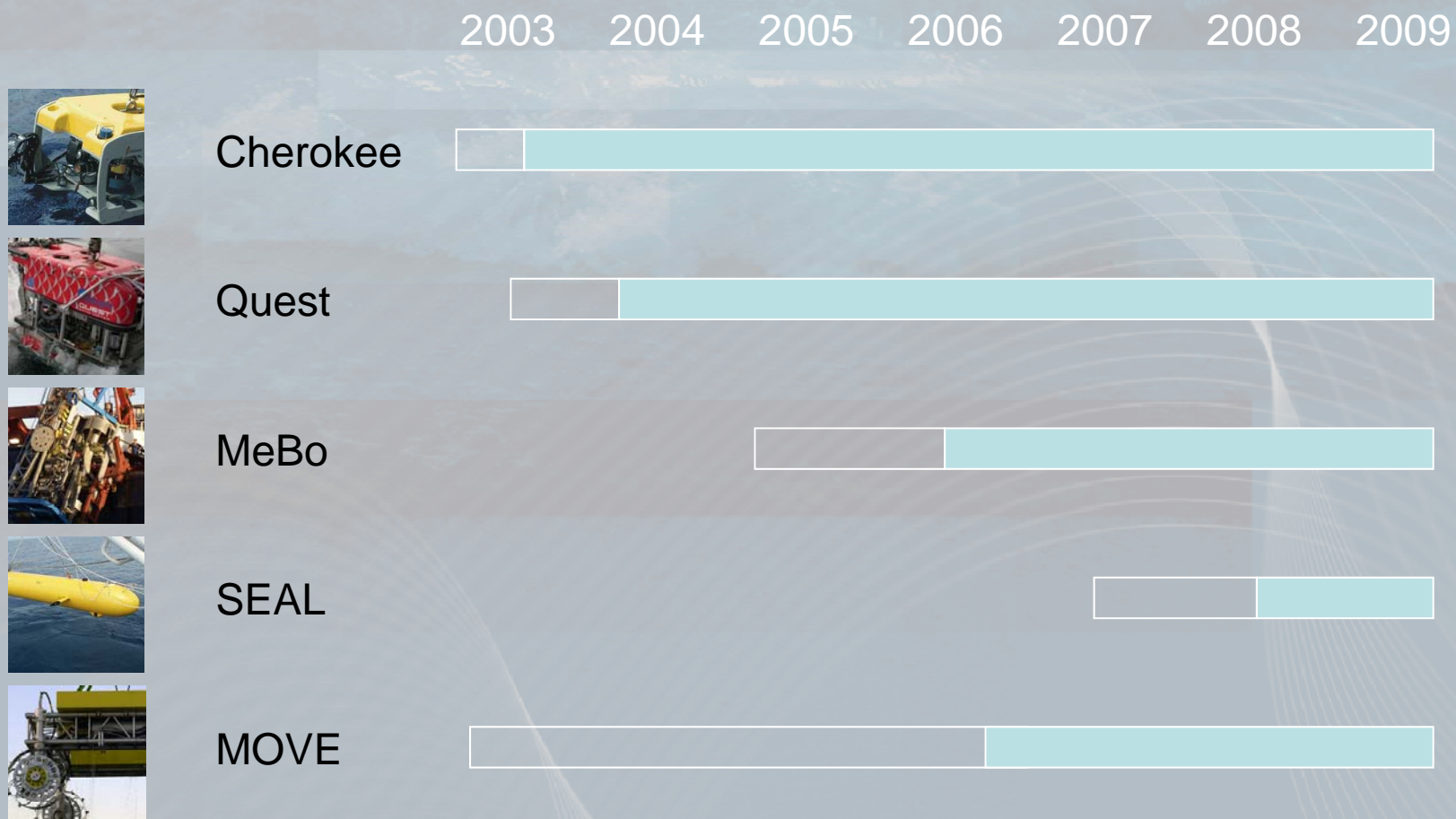
Expeditions

- 06/2005: Ponton, Baltic Sea
- 08/2005: RV METEOR, NW Afrika
- 12/2005: RV CELTIC EXPLORER, Baltic Sea
- 07/2006: RV CELTIC EXPLORER, NE Atlantic
- 02/2007: RV MARIA S. MERIAN, NW Africa
- 05/2008: RV METEOR, off Namibia
- 08/2008: RV CELTIC EXPLORER North Atlantic

- 06/2009: RV METEOR, western South Atlantic
- 2010: RV M.S. MERIAN Black Sea



Operational Availability



Research Vessels

i.e. 96 m research vessel RV METEOR
worldwide operation and logistics



QUEST System aboard german vessels

Adapted
to german science vessels:

RV Meteor

RV Polarstern

2008: *RV Sonne*

2009: *RV M. S. Merian*

„only“ 45t gross weight

deployed in free flying mode

Operational Team:
8 Persons







A-frame operation:

- even on large vessels
„turn of AUV necessary, due
to lack of A-frame high“
- more security for AUV instead
side-operation

Today: adapted industrial ROVs



*Others planned:
Spain
Greece*

Irish Marine Institute

MBARI



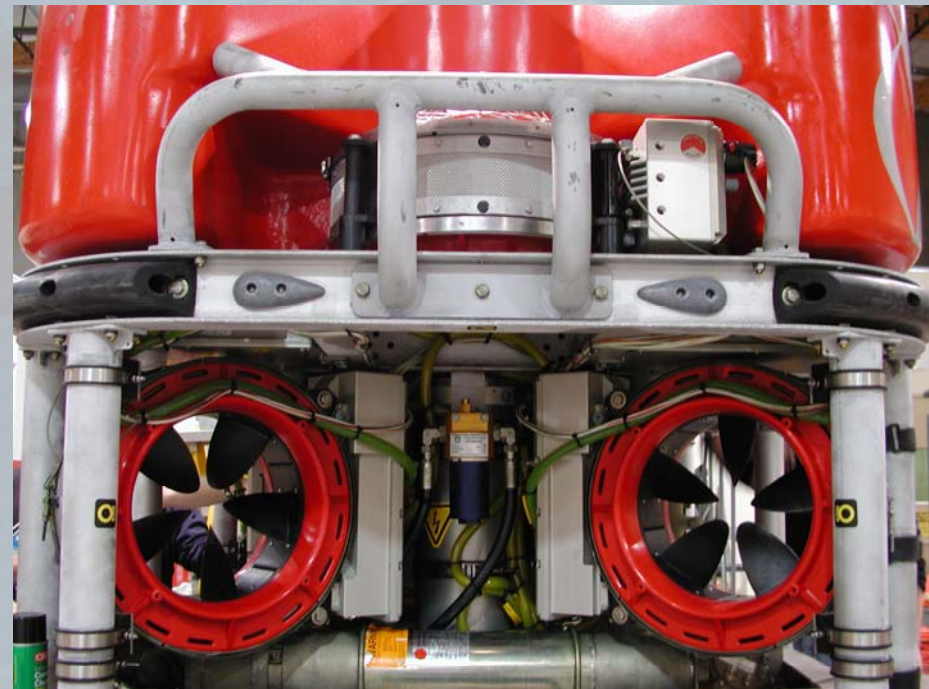
*7x 11 kW ring motor,
500lbs @ 600 VDC*

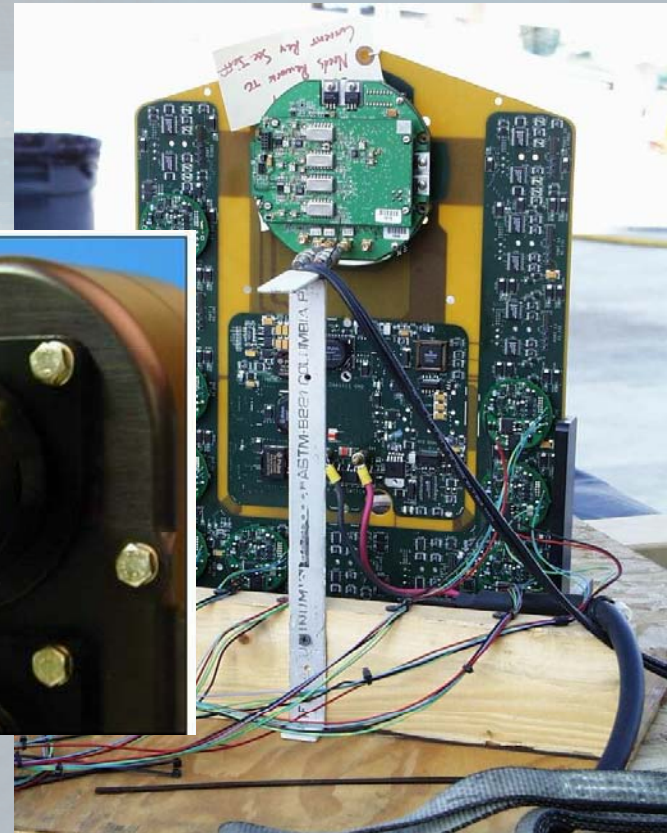
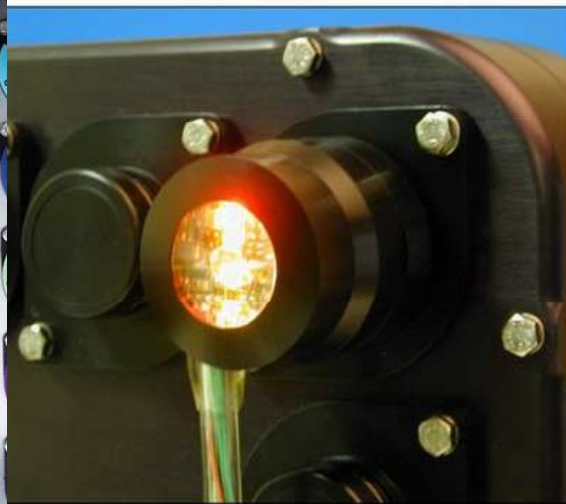
*Vector matrix arrangement
Precise control*

Power transmission:

*60 kW
3300VAC @ 400 Hz*

downside small dimension



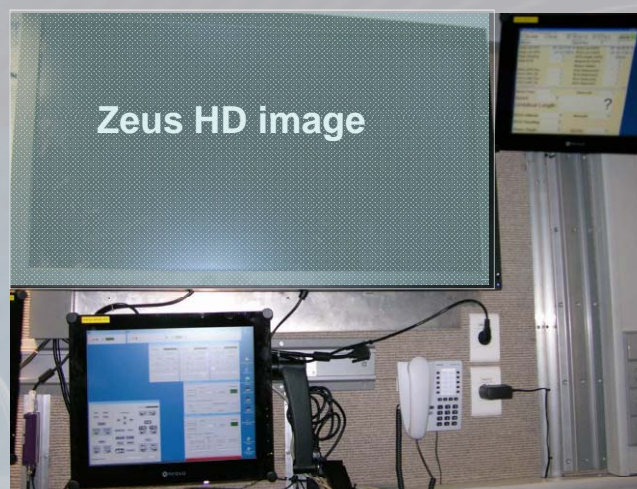
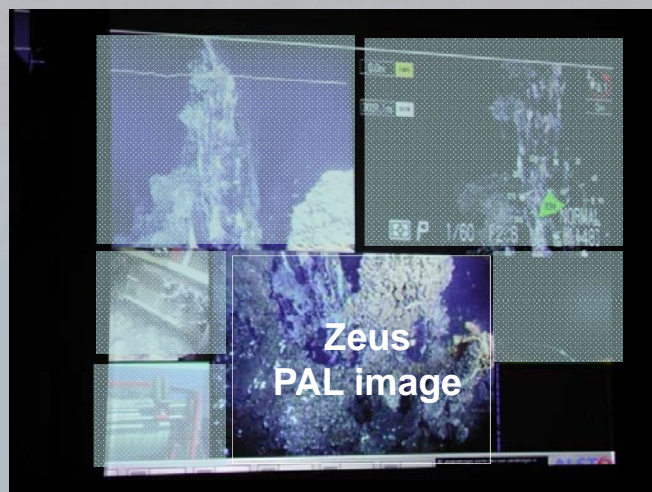


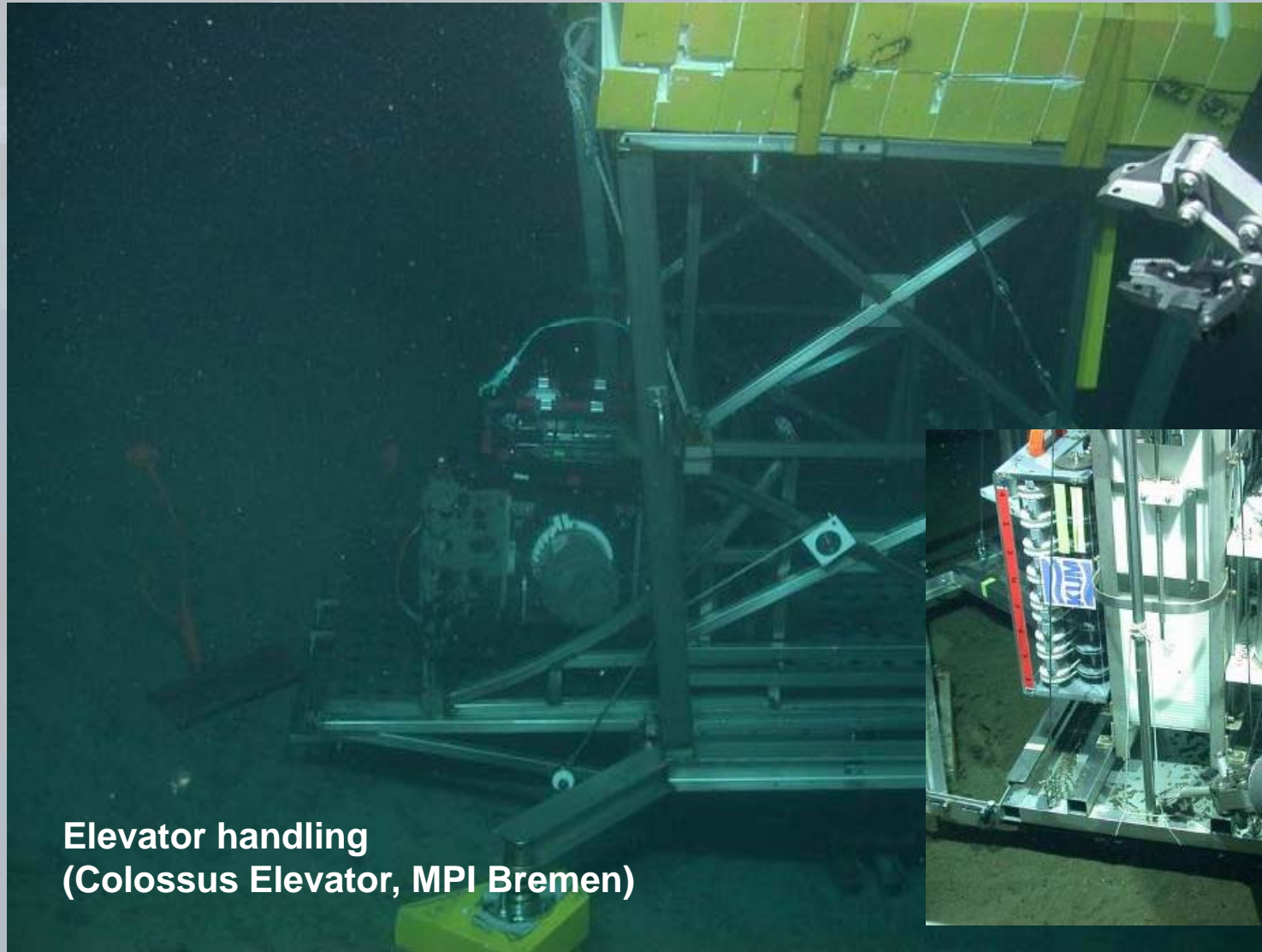
Telemetry via 1 SM fibre
4 SeaNet Nodes provide
64 transparent data channels
16 simultan. video channels

Reduction of complexity:
only 4 unique PCBs, almost no internal
wiring, separately pressure compensated

High Quality Imaging: HDTV

- 3CCD HDTV Zeus camera
- 1st deployment during M70-1
- ultrahigh video resolution 1920 x 1080 Pixel @ 59.94 Hz interlaced, 16:9 widescreen
- „expensive camera / lighting setup“
- **Low backscatter, crisp imagery**



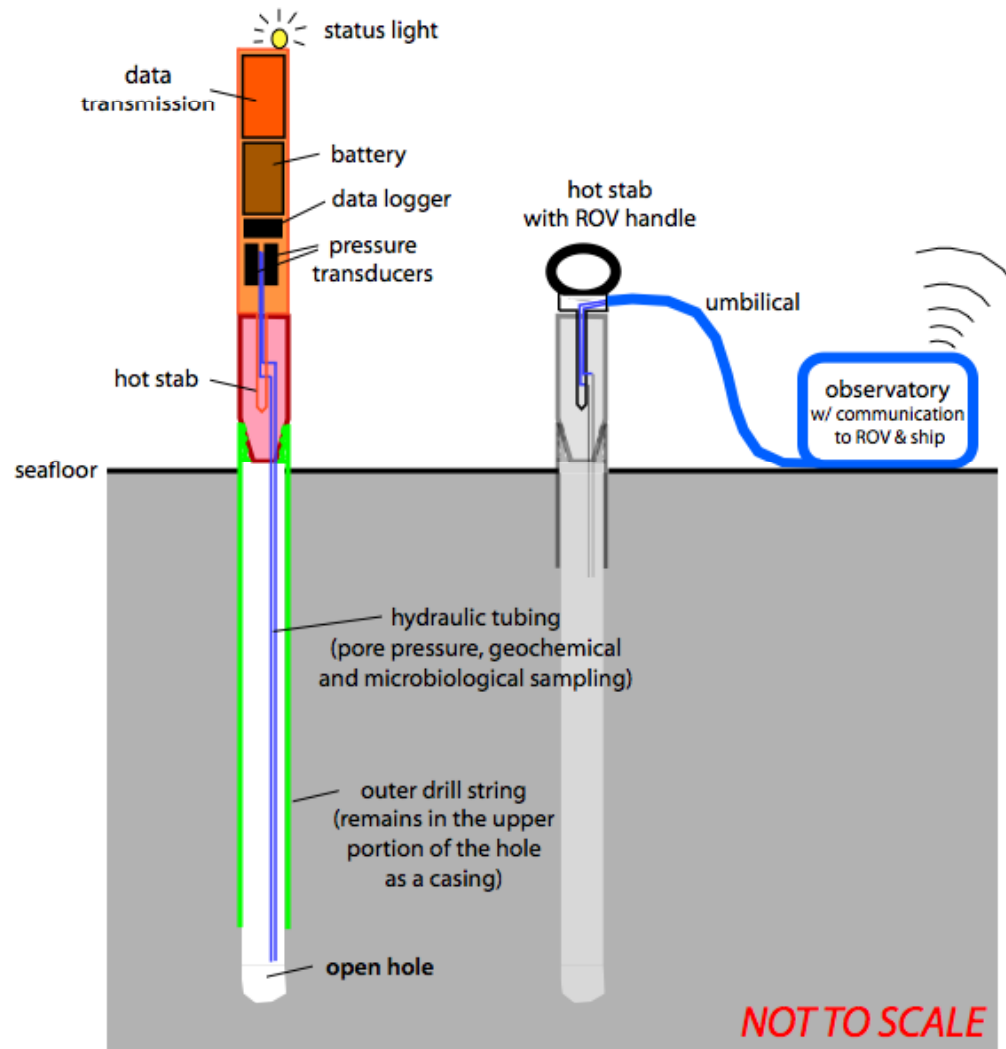


**Elevator handling
(Colossus Elevator, MPI Bremen)**

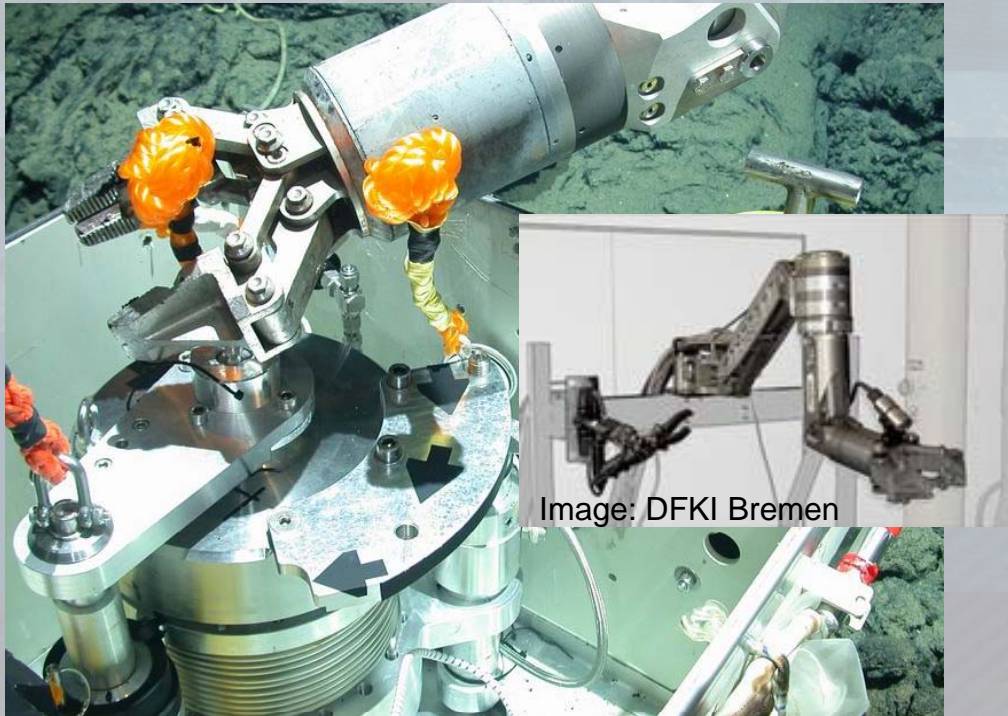
**Instrument
deployment and
control**



Construction and deployment of a MeBo CORK observatory



- design and build simple observatories w/ pore P and T measurement for deployment in landslide-prone areas (e.g. Mediterranean, Japan, gas hydrate-bearing margins, e.g. Fram strait, etc.)
- develop solutions for pore water sampling, osmo-driven microbiology chambers, and other extensions to collaborate with research area GB
- develop communication means to allow data retrieval from ships of opportunity



„Augmented“ control of ROV tools
(i.e., utilize C-Manip? for defined environments)

Setup dry training facilities
(for pilots, scientists and engineers)



Simulation

- Develop and test operational procedures
- Test 3D models of deployments in advance of expeditions
- scientists training: sonar, orientation, handling of instruments, dive planning

