

Link Symposium

- **NOAA/NASA Joint support**
- **Summary article in MTS Journal**
- **Outcomes:**
 - web-based inventory**
 - recommendations for new technologies**
 - funding efforts**

Priority actions suggested:

- **Investigate potential new energy sources (including *in situ* energy sources)**
- **Work toward miniaturization of sensors and tools (to reduce energy requirement)**
- **Develop means to determine orientation of samples**

Samplers to develop

- Larva samplers
- Sterile sampling capability
- Unobtrusive sampling devices (for capture, tagging, tracking)
- Ability to collect volumes of sediment for assessing microorganism populations

Samplers to develop

- Samplers that maintain *in situ* conditions
- Measure absolute seafloor pressure (to eliminate the problem of instrument “drift”).
- Rock corers with the ability to take oriented samples
- Manipulators with force sensitive feedback mechanism for delicate samples

DESSC Outreach to other disciplines and the public

- **Nontraditional fields (marine archeology educational efforts)**
- **Lectureship program in association with RIDGE2000**
- **IMAX movie and outreach activities**
- **Discovery Channel series**