ABE/Sentry Update May 30, 2007



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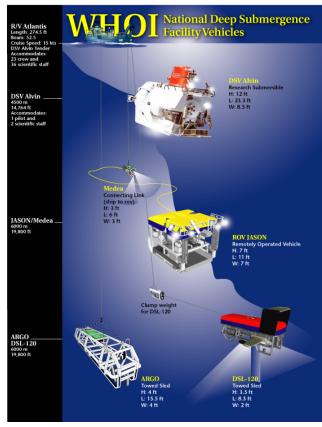






ABE/Sentry Update

Sentry trials scheduled (Sep 2007), ready to enter NDSF in 2008 Meanwhile, ABE has passed Dive #200









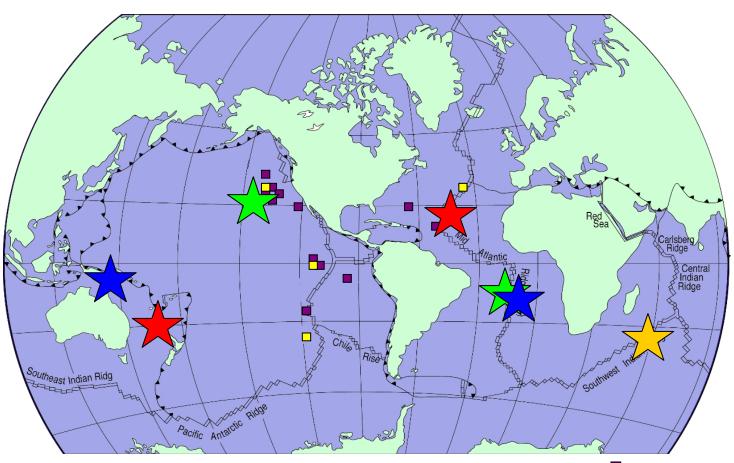






ABE/Sentry Update

ABE dives to date: 202, >3000 km bottom tracks, >1500 hrs











Search for Hydrothermal Vents on the Southwest Indian Ridge

- First active vent discovery on the Southwest Indian Ridge
- First active vent discovery on an ultra-slow spreading ridge

Cruise sponsored by COMRA

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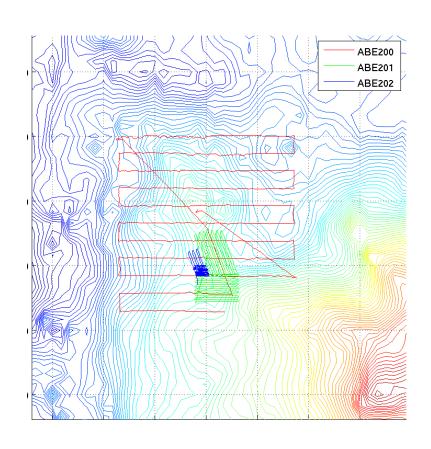












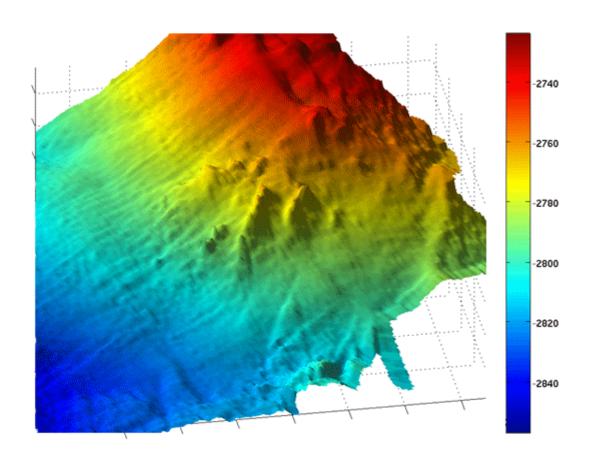
- 3-phase plume search/survey technique successful
- Remaining dives lost to weather









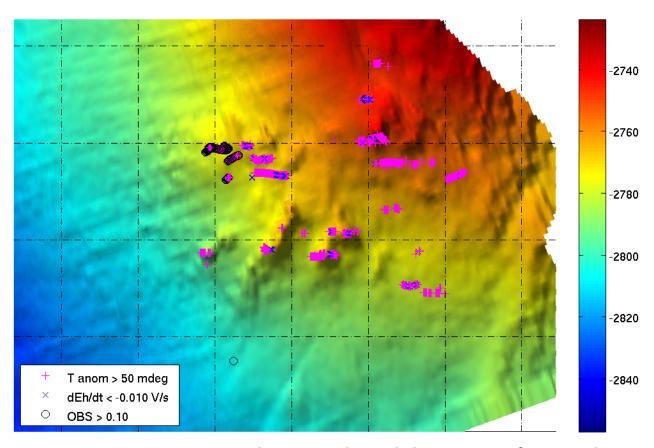












All vent structures showed evidence of venting





















Science party used *ABE* map and TV grab to recover samples from active smokers











Sentry Development

Upgraded Elements

- New batteries (Nereus packs)
- Multibeam sonar (Reson 7125)
- New frame, weight droppers/anchor system
- PHINS inertial nav
- New CT sensor
- New camera/LED strobe
- Dual magnetometers
- Instrument bay (Tethys mass spec as placeholder)

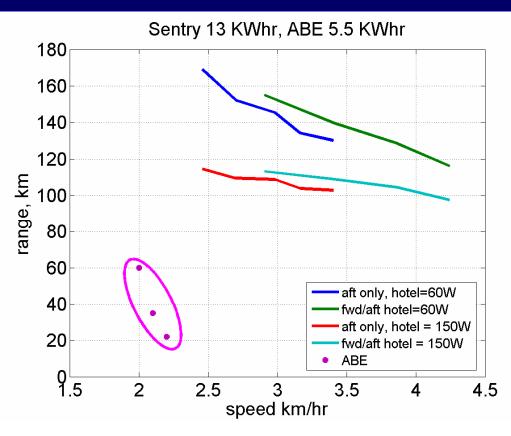








Update on Sentry Range



- 1. Battery capacity upgraded to 13 KWH
- 2. Reson 1725 power higher than anticipated (100W)

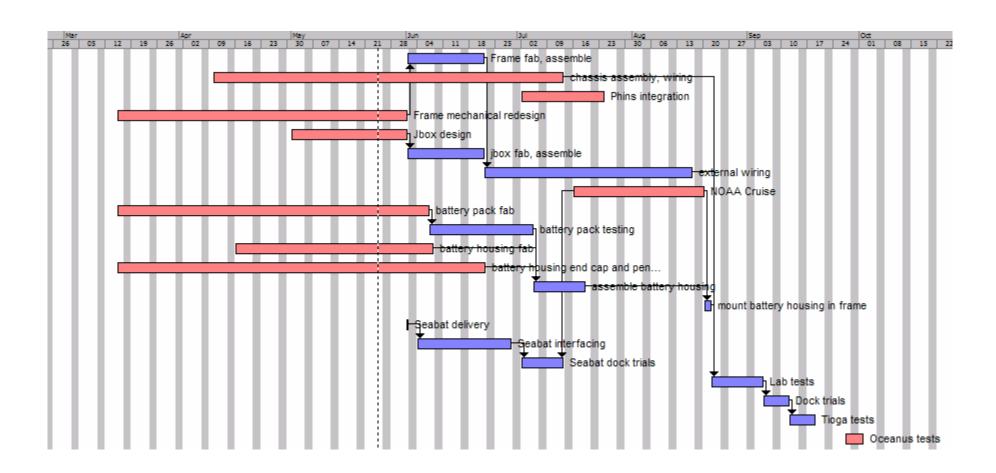








Sentry Development Timeline











Sentry Mechanical Overview



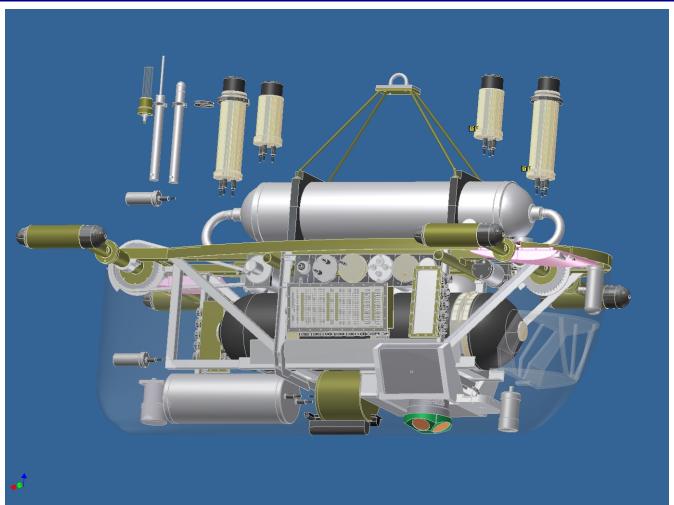








Sentry Mechanical Overview





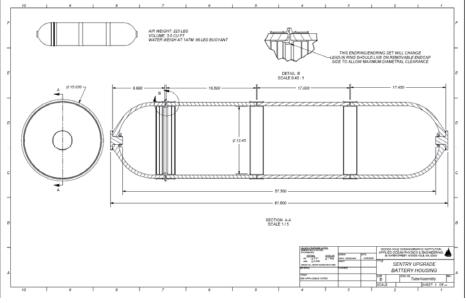






Sentry Battery Packs





- Sentry packs utilize 5 HROV packs and housings with some changes:
- 1. Ceramic endcap
- 2. Penetrator design
- 3. Internal structure to support 5 packs
- 4. ~13KWH capacity

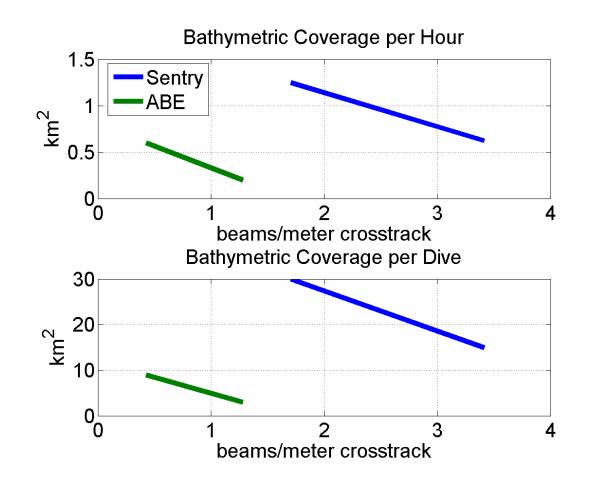








Reson 7125 Multibeam











Schmitt/Pettit CT Sensor, Optical Backscatter, and Eh Probe in Wing Root

