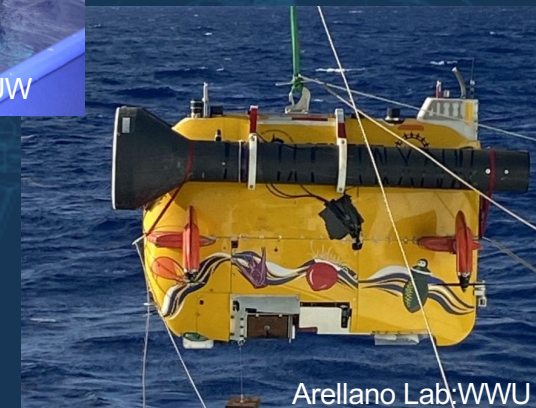
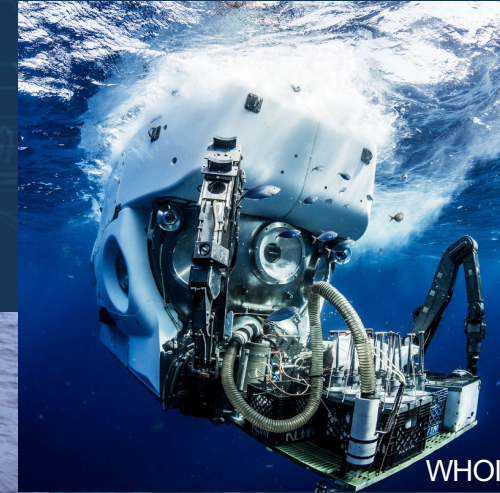
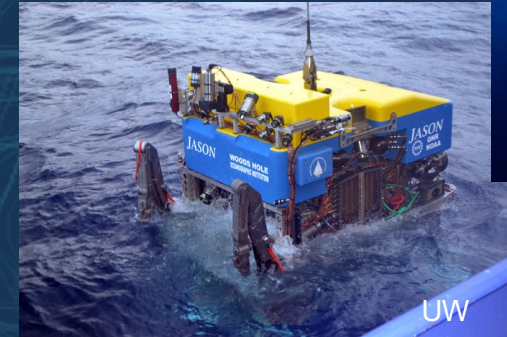


Deep Submergence Science Committee (DeSSC):

A UNOLS committee that provides guidance on deep submergence asset and acts as a liaison between users, the National Deep Submergence Facility (NDSF) and funding agencies.



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Who we are:

- A UNOLS (University-National Ocean Laboratory System) Committee
- ~10 Scientists across the country with experience using deep submergence assets across the various disciplines that NDSF supports
- A rotating membership - (self) nomination for 3 years with a total of 2 consecutive terms possible

What we do:

- Synthesize cruise triumphs and challenges to identify and communicate areas of improvement (Friends of Vehicles)
- Facilitate expanded use of the vehicles through removing barriers to New Users to the vehicles
- Identify areas of improvements for the vehicles or act as sounding board for changes.
- Provide input on issues that face UNOLS through the lens of Deep Submergence
- 2 Meetings a year – one focused on business and one on community

What we do:

- Take on initiatives to advance or adapt use of the vehicles
- Act as liaisons or create space across private and governmental agencies
- Advocate for access to the deep sea (including removing historical and present barriers across career stages)
- Provide input on ideas that would add resources or vehicles to the NDSF*

What we don't do:

- *Add resources to NDSF (there is a path for requesting new/different resources – and we provide input on requests)