Introduction to Deep Sea Research

Deb Kelley, Mike Perfit, Karyn Rogers



DeSSC Early Career Scientist WorkshopDecember 7-8, 2013, San Francisco, CA

Who's Who in Deep Sea Research





NDSF

National Deep Submergence Facility

DeSSC

Deep Submergence Science Committee

Who's Who in Deep Sea Research



- Coordinates access to oceanographic research facilities
- Supports existing facilities and future development
- 20 Research vessels
- National Deep Submergence Facility
- National Oceanographic Aircraft Facility
- National Oceanographic Seismic Facility
- Facilities are either owned by one of the Federal agencies or by individual institutions
- Runs Ship Time Request System!!!
- Information resource for cruise/ship schedules, etc.
- Outreach!

Global Class

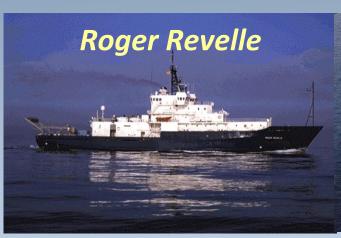








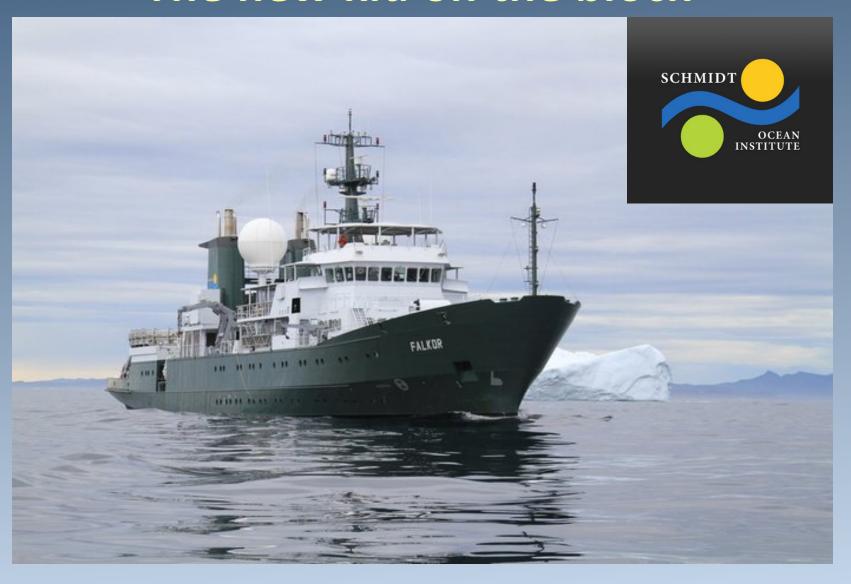








Who's Who in Deep Sea Research The new kid on the block



UNOLS National Facilities National Deep Submergence Facility



Alvir

Human Occupied Vehicle

Accommodates: 1 Pilot and 2 Scientists

Depth Capability: Phase 1: 4500m

Sentr

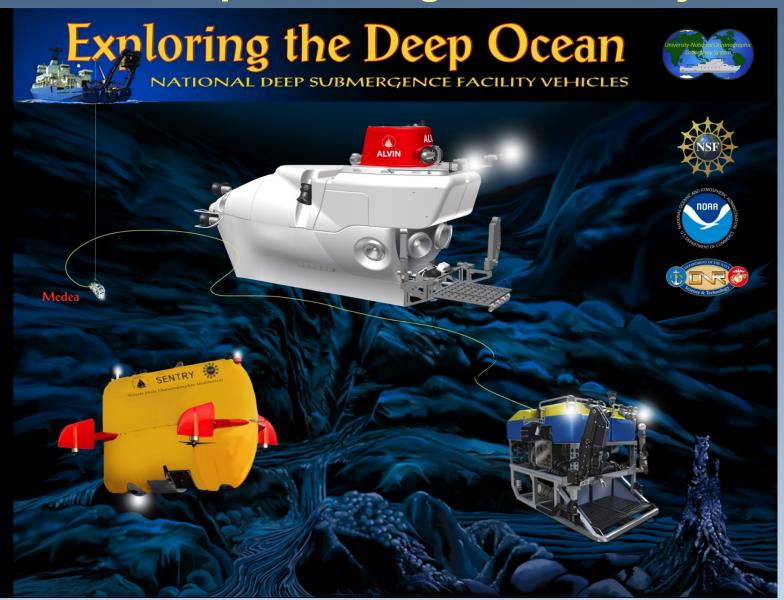
Autonomous Underwater Vehicle

Depth Capability: 6000m (20,000 feet)

lasor

Remotely Operated

Depth Capability: 6500m (21,450 feet)



National Deep Submergence Facility

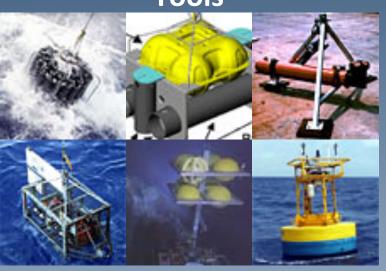
Vehicles



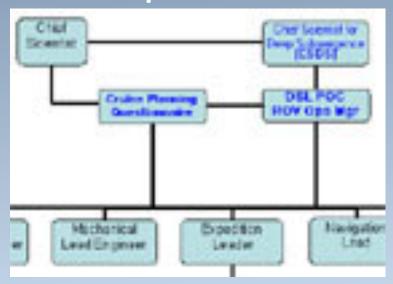
Personnel



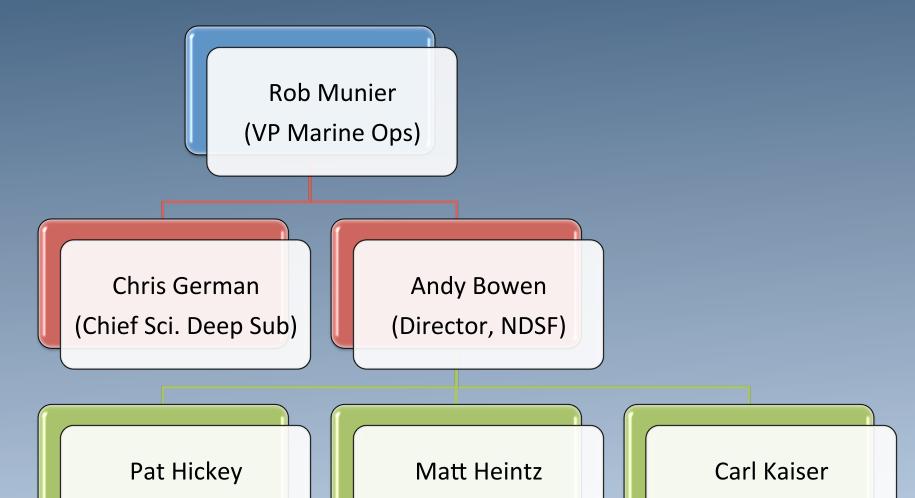
Tools



Operations



National Deep Submergence Facility Organization Structure



(Jason Ops Mgr.)

(Sentry Ops Mgr.)

(Alvin Ops. Mgr)

So, you've got an idea and you want to go to sea?

So, you've got an idea and you want to go to sea?

1.Pre-submission discussions (NDSF) (choice of vehicle; technical feasibility; cruise duration)

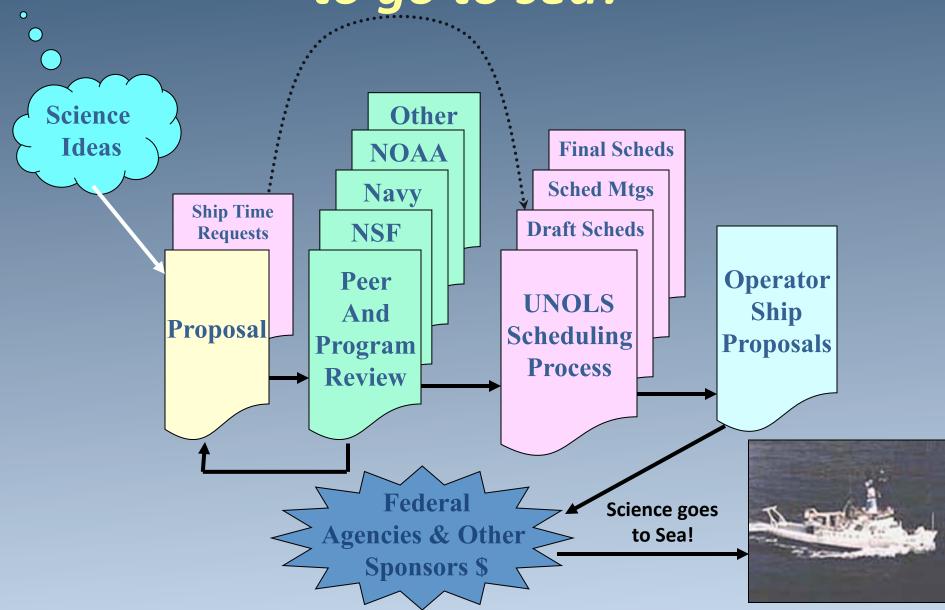
2.Grant submission (UNOLS) (UNOLS Ship Time Request)

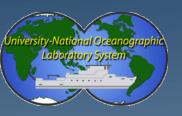
3.Once you are funded (NDSF)
(Pre-cruise planning; ~6 months lead; Expedition Leader)

4.Once you are at sea (Dive planning; responding to "events")

5. Post cruise (NDSF debrief, cruise report, data management)

So, you've got an idea and you want to go to sea?





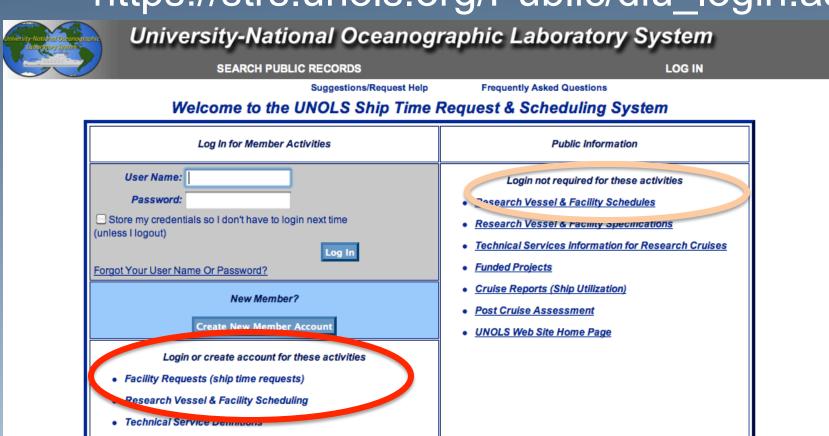
Facility Specifications

System Administration

Reports

Access the UNOLS STRS system portal:

https://strs.unols.org/Public/diu_login.aspx



Submit your STR form with your proposal in Fastlane

A word about budgets...

- Don't panic!
- Ship time and vehicle costs are not part of the regular NSF budget
- Ship time and vehicle costs do come out of a separate NSF fund, not the program budget
- If your proposal is going to an agency other than NSF, then ship time and vehicle costs must be paid by that agency

A word about budgets...

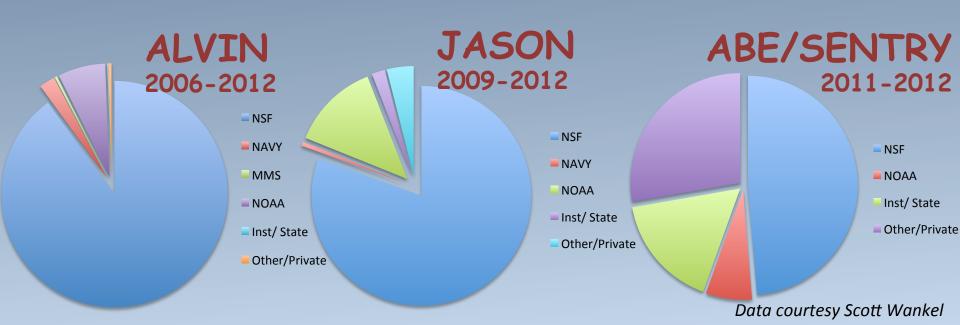


NSF is the primary funding source for UNOLS/NDSF vehicles and facilities

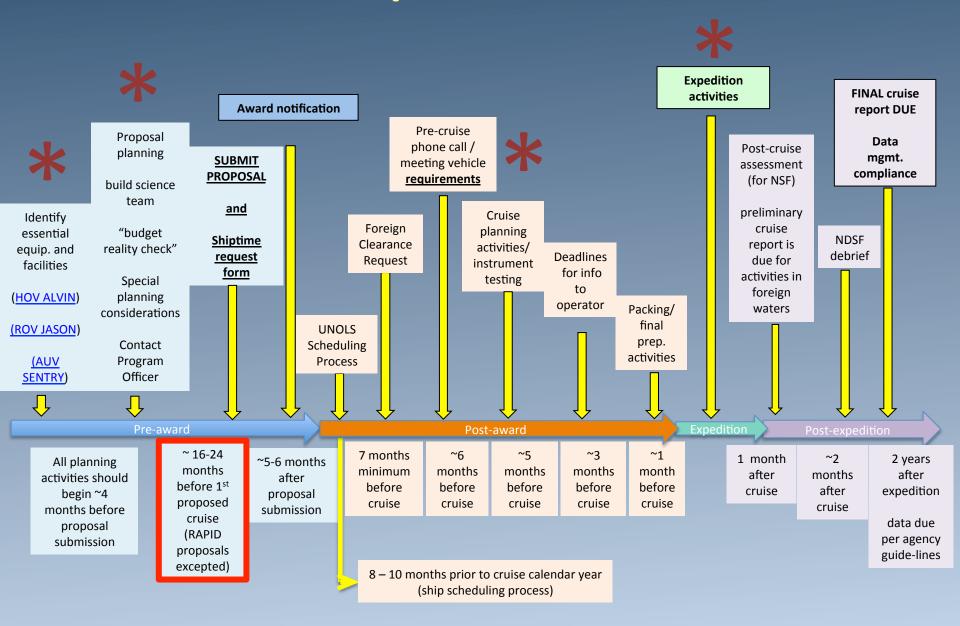
- OCE-CO; OCE-BIO; OCE-MGG
- OCE-ODP, OCE-OTIC, BIO-DEB, BIO-MCB
- OCE-PO, BIO-EF, ESI

Other sources:

· NOAA - OER; NAVY/ONR, MMS, Interior, Private



UNOLS Expedition Workflow



So, what should you do now?

- Go to sea!
- Talk to folks at this meeting!
- Get a mentor through DeSSC
- Write a proposal, support the fleet and facilities!
- Talk to your program managers
- Talk to NDSF folks
- Get involved with UNOLS lot's of outreach!
- Contact any of us for more info!



UNOLS Outreach Activities

- Chief Scientist Cruise Training
- DeSSC SVC Opportunity
- UNOLS Speaker Series
- UNOLS On-line resources Poster, Brochures, Slide packages
- UNOLS Meetings
- Cruise opportunities
- DeSSC Early Career Workshop