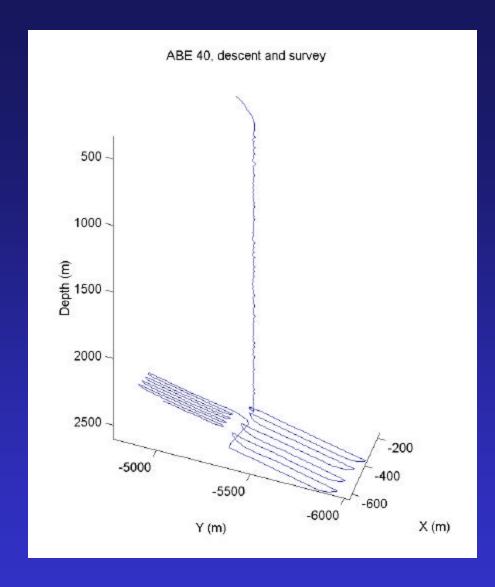


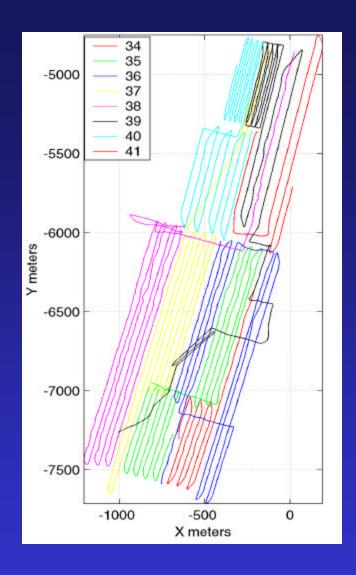
To date: 199 deep ocean dives completed >3000 km of bottom tracks

>1500 hours survey time

## ABE Highlights

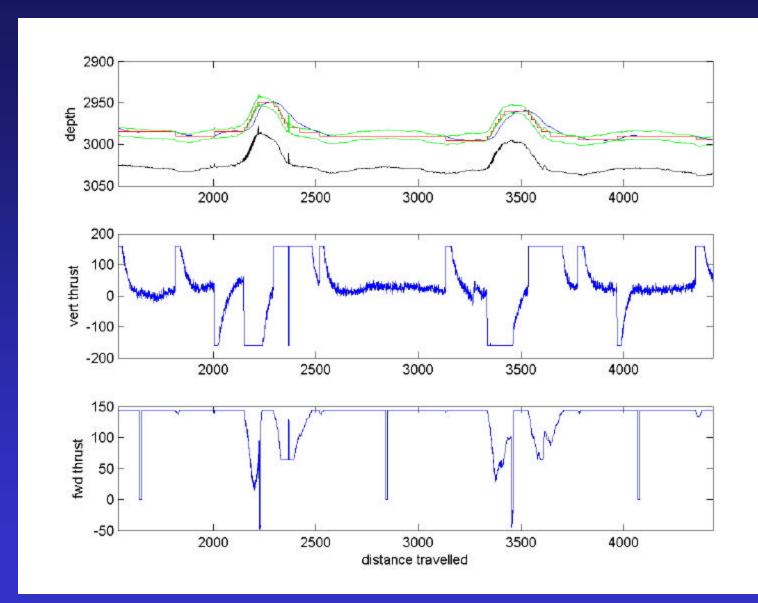
- •1996: First science operations, lava flow thickness through navigated magnetic measurements
- •1999: Bathymetric/magnetics mapping, Southern East Pacific Rise (17S)
- •2000: Hydrothermal vent heat flux measurement, Juan de Fuca Ridge
- •2002: Multibeam bathymetric mapping, Explorer Ridge
- •2003: Mapped Lost City site, Mid Atlantic Ridge
- •2004: First AUV-based vent discoveries, Eastern Lau Spreading Center
- •2005: Vent site discoveries, SMAR. Observatory/Cable Route mapping, Juan de Fuca Ridge
- •2006: Repeat surveys SMAR 5S, vent discoveries 5S, 8S, 9S
- •2006: Admitted to National Deep Submergence Facility

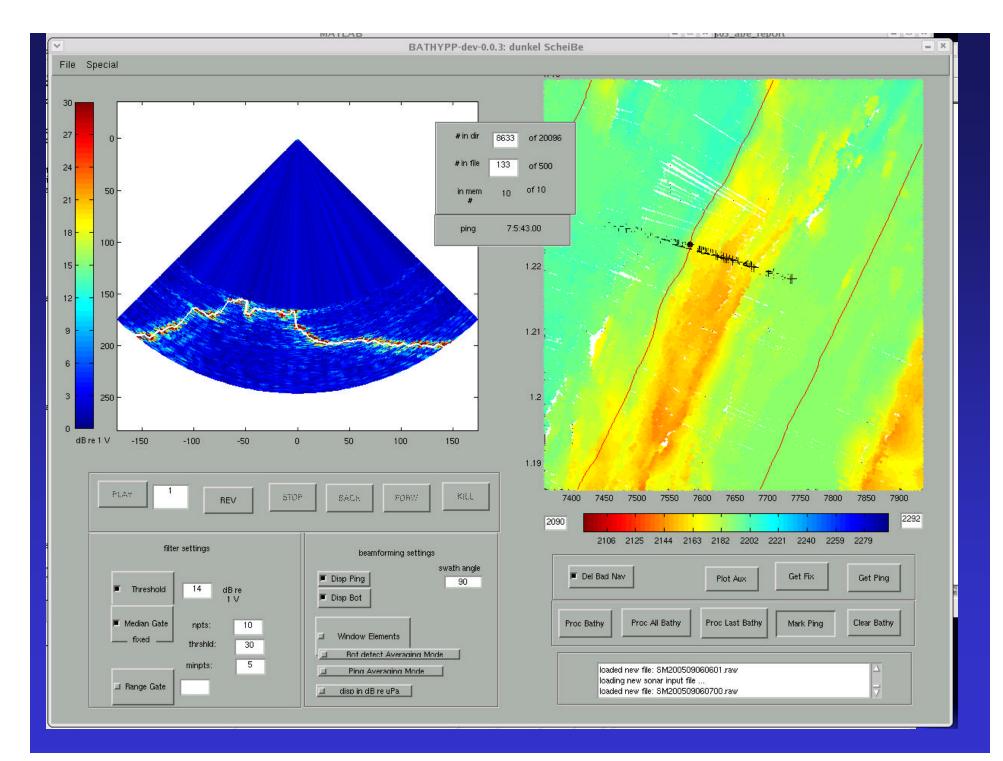




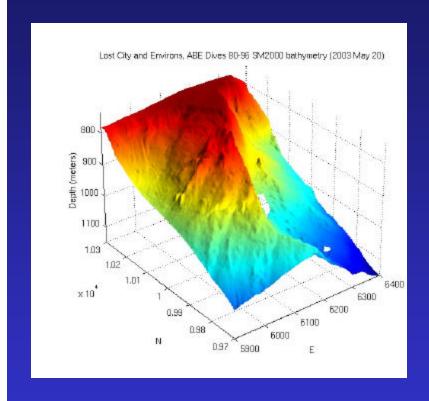
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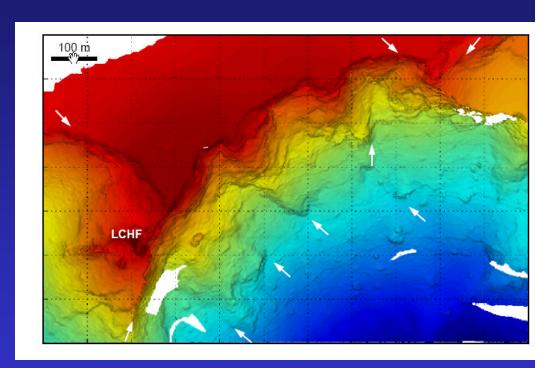
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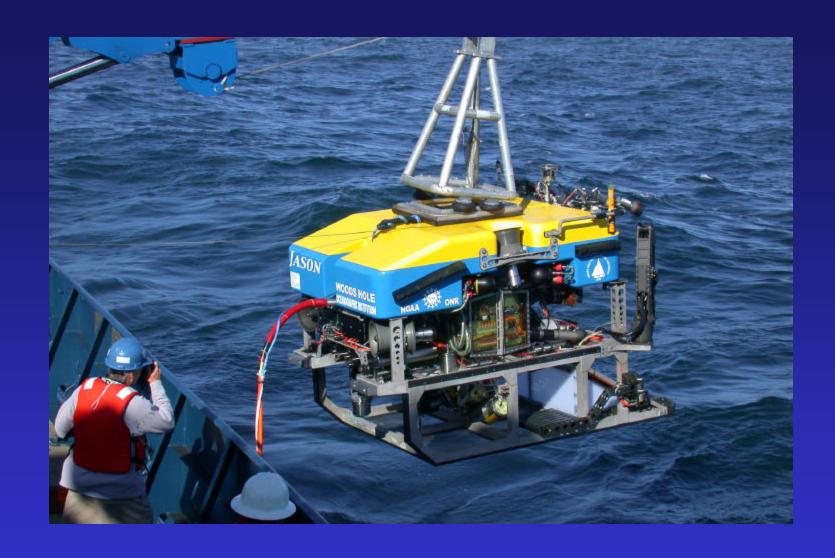


## Lost City and Environs



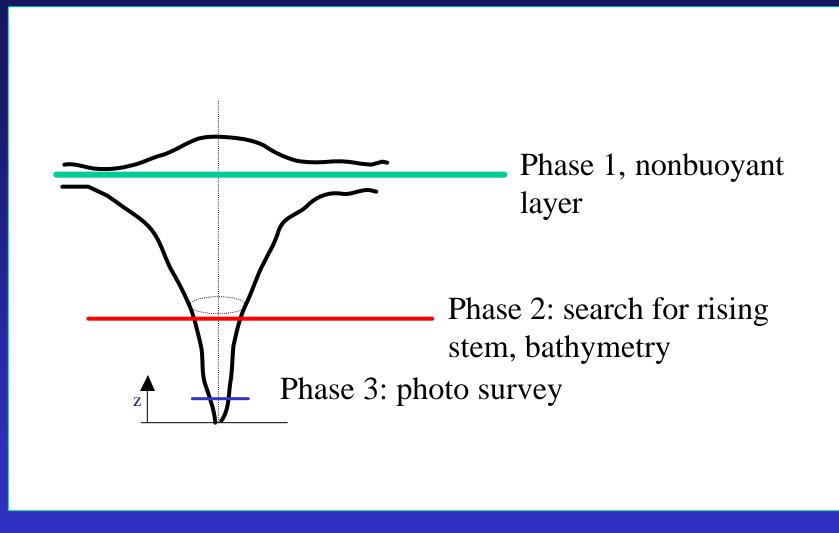


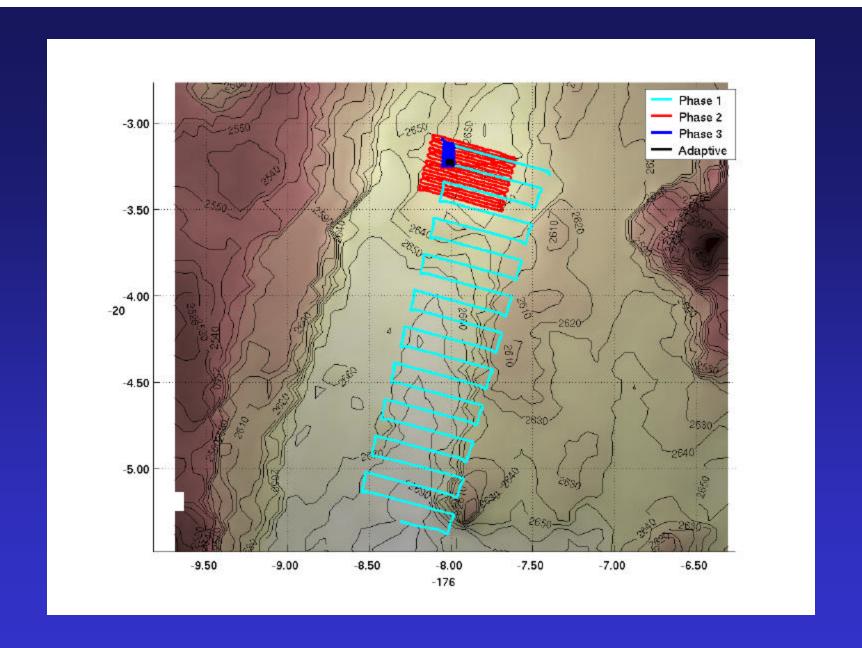
Kelley et al, Science,2005



Joint Operations with Jason II

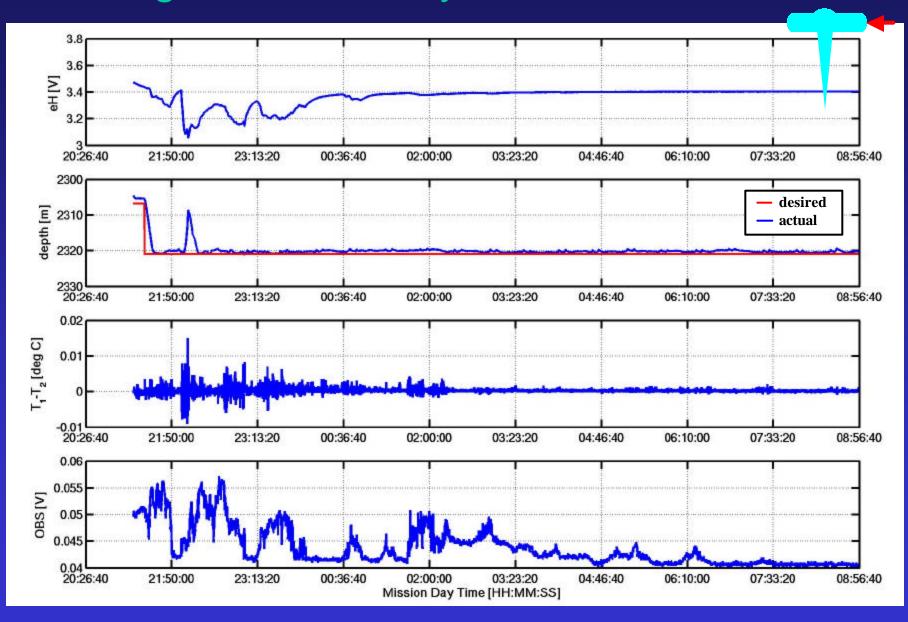
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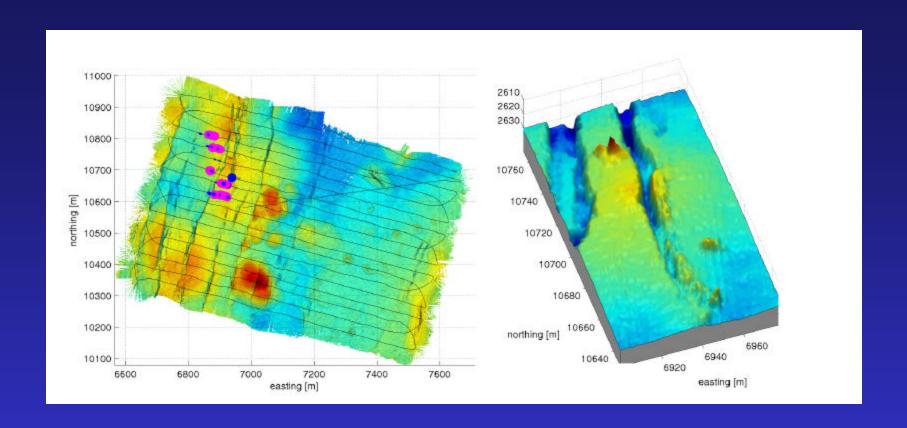




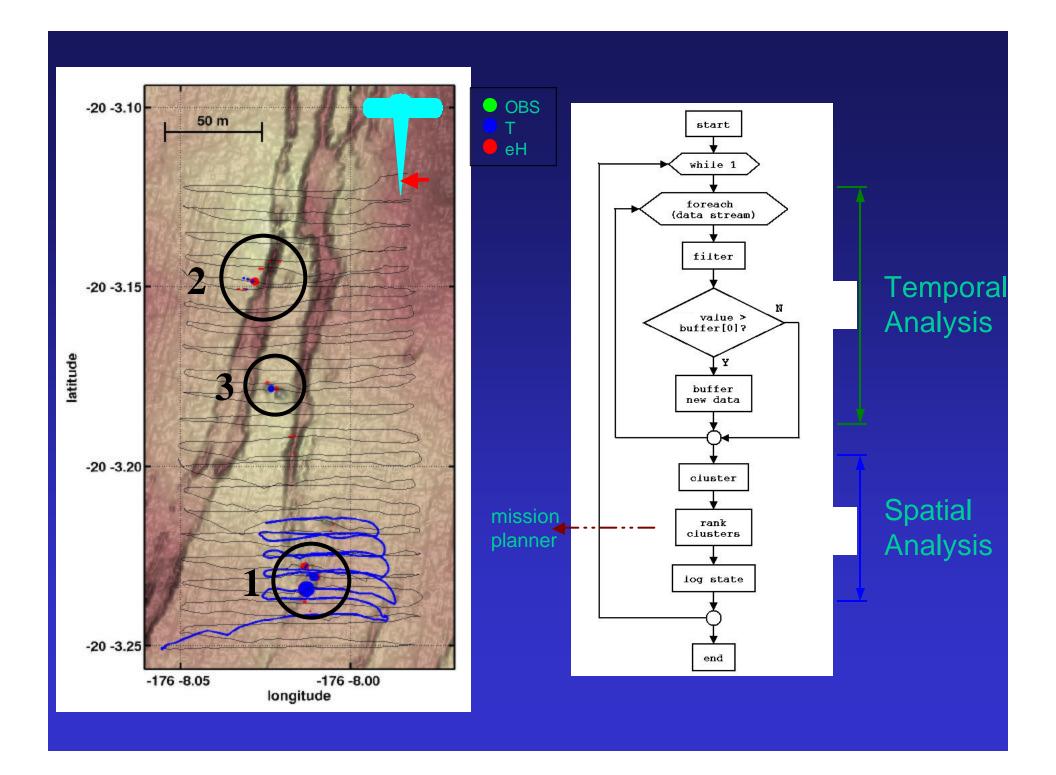
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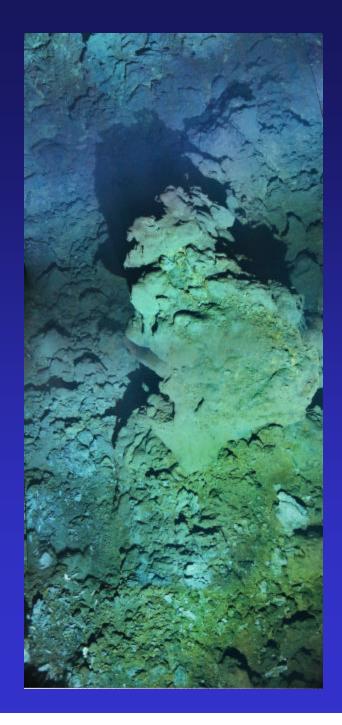
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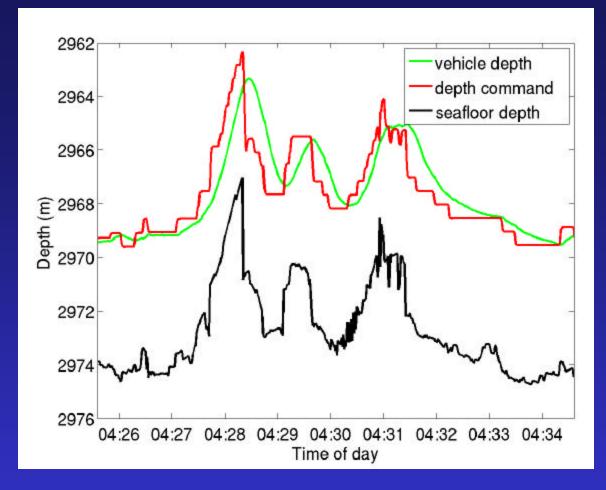




Phase 2 survey, pinpoint vents and make bathymetric map



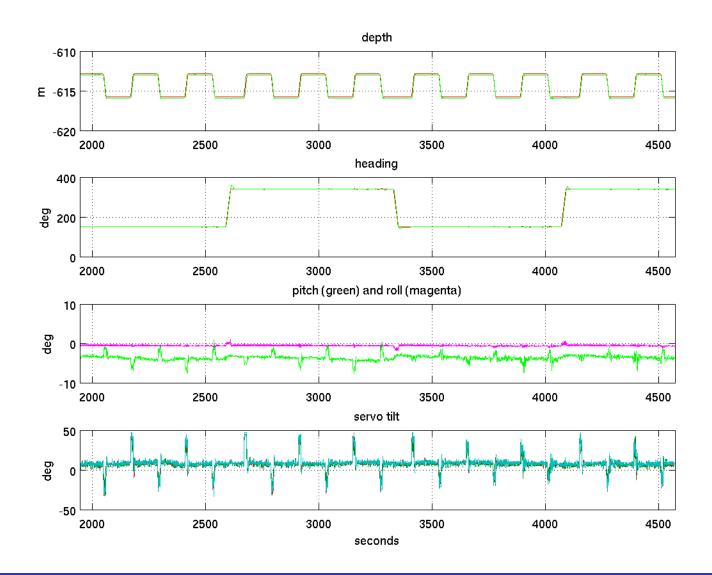


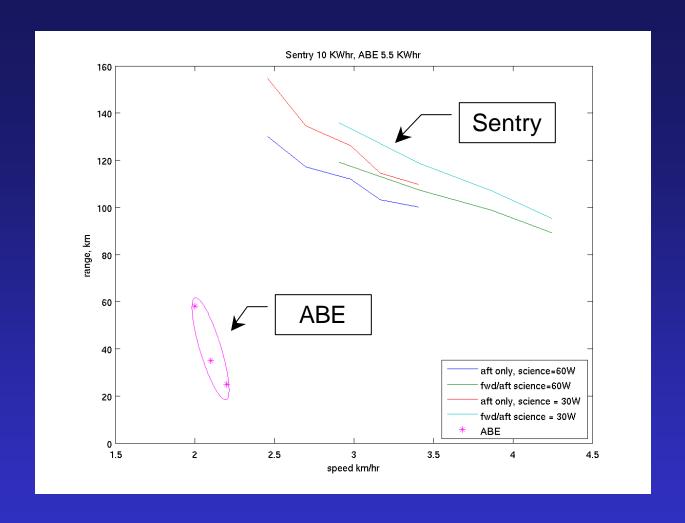


ABE can take digital color photos in rugged hydrothermal vent terrain

(German, Shank et al, 2006, Yoerger et al, 2006)







Sentry and ABE range vs speed in several configurations based on experimental measurements.









Sentry's rescuers: Anton Zafereo (Alvin pilot in training), Gavin Eppard (Alvin pilot), Bruce Strickrott (Chief Alvin pilot).