MARITIME DIVISION

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Maritime Division's 7 S&T Capability areas

Acoustic Signature Management

Sonar Technology and Systems

Maritime Platform Performance

Undersea Command and Control

Platform Survivability

Non-acoustic Signature Management

Maritime Autonomy











Maritime Division MSTC: Sonar Technology and Systems

Passive Sonar



Active Sonar



Universities

Sydney University University of Melbourne Adelaide University Flinders University University of Western Australia Curtin University (CMST)

Research Leader Dr David Liebing Aim:

Raise train and sustain a capability in undersea acoustic sensing and analysis that can be applied to assessing and improving current, enhanced and future ADF ASW requirements._

Successes

World-first fiber-laser hydrophone towed array demonstration (DSTO-Thales)

BSAPS/PANORAMA hull-mounted sonar processing system

- Licensed to Thales Australia
- Fitted to RAN FFG class
- SEA 1408 (SSTD) candidate

SENTINEL/AUSSnet undersea sensor network (DSTO & L3-Oceania)

Collins Class Onboard Demonstrator

- CCSM Sonar health monitoring
- CCSM Custom sonar processing

Industry & Government

Thales Australia Raytheon Australia Ultra (UK, CA, AS) STN-Atlas L3-Oceania Boeing & In-Situ Pacific CSIRO & Bureau Of Meteorology

Sonar Processing & Performance Analysis













International

TTCP MAR TP-9 (ASW Systems & Technology Office of Naval Research (ONR) - PA NUWC/NAVSEA – PA DRDC- A (Canada) DTA (NZ)

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Maritime Division MSTC: Undersea Command and Control

Combat System Architectures



Underwater Weapon Systems





A/Research Leader Dr David Gamble

Aims:

To improve the RAN undersea warfare effectiveness through improving the collection, processing and exploitation of undersea tactical information by undersea platforms and systems.

Successes

Insertion of Australian algorithms into the MK 48 HWT and the AN/BYG Combat system

Improved weapon control displays for Collins Class submarines

Improved signal libraries for RAN torpedo countermeasures

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Universities

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Australian Maritime College University of Melbourne University of Adelaide Curtin University University of Western Australia

Industry

Thales

International TTCP MAR NUWC (USA) ONR (USA)

Human Systems & Information Integration



Maritime Division MSTC: Maritime Autonomy



Underwater Influences, Naval Mine Sweeping & Jamming



Universities Sydney University UNSW Newcastle University CUDOS

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A/Research Leader Dr David Battle

Aims:

To advance Navy's capabilities through the use of modular portable unmanned systems with a focus on the littoral operating environment through the provision of technical advice and niche system development.

Successes:

Achieving autonomous operation of a REMUS 100 through on-board decision making supporting adaptive search, detection and classification capabilities.

Characterization of the littoral environment from hyperspectral data analysis.

The development of naval mine sweeping and jamming systems.

Industry THALES Resonance Technology Kraken Sonar Systems Ron Allum Deep Sea Services International TTCP MAT & MAR NATO MCG3 ABCANZ





Maritime Division MSTC: Acoustic Signature Management



Acoustic Signature Control



Universities University of New South Wales Australian Maritime College Adelaide University University of Melbourne UWA

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Research Leader Dr Chris Norwood

Aims:

To control and manage the acoustic signature of RAN platforms providing increased operational effectiveness and improved survivability.

Successes

Anechoic tiles for Collins class submarine

Collins class noise reduction program

FFG 7 rudder noise treatment

Acoustic signature monitoring system for Collins class

Industry

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International TTCP MAR MARIN (Holland) NSWC (USA) DE&S (UK) FOI (Sweden)

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Hydroacoustics



Research Facilities

- Elastomers Laboratory for the production of prototype coatings
- Anechoic measurement facility
- AUSRAT signature modelling framework
- High performance computing facility
- Towing tank and cavitation tunnel
- Materials characterisation, modelling and design capability
- Mechanical testing
- Composite materials fabrication
- Diesel engine test facility





Key Research Areas

- Materials for acoustic signature reduction anechoics, decoupling coatings, vibration isolators
- Acoustic signature modelling and measurement
- Hydrodynamic modelling
- Flow noise and hydroacoustics









Areas of Potential Partnership Interest

Start small and grow...

- Computational fluid dynamics modelling and validation
- Vibro-acoustic modelling and measurement capability
- Acoustic meta-material design and production



Maritime Division MSTC: Maritime Platform Performance

Naval Architecture and Platform System Analysis



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Research Leader Dr Stuart Cannon

<u>Aims:</u>

To ensure the RAN have platforms that are safe, efficient and sustainable for their desired operational envelope

Power and Energy Systems







Universities

Australian Maritime College University of Melbourne University of Wollongong DMTC

Successes

HMAS Choules transformer investigation and analysis.

Selection of D Grade Steel for AWD

Improved structural reliability for the Armidale class Patrol Boats

Industry

Defence Maritime Services Qinetiq / GRC Bluescope Steel ASC International TTCP MAT & MAR MARIN (Holland) ABCANZ



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Research Areas – Power & Energy Systems

- Naval battery energy storage systems
- Reliability and performance of naval diesel engines
- Naval energy usage optimisation
- Naval P&E system modelling and advanced land based testing technologies
- CO2 air purification technology
- Advanced naval electric machine technologies



Research Areas – Materials Performance and

Structural Integrity

- Material design, evaluation and selection for surface and undersea maritime platforms
- Fatigue, corrosion-fatigue and stress-corrosion cracking for submarine pressure hull integrity
- Computation modelling and physical simulations of welding processes and welded structures
- Validated assessment tools and guidelines for through-life evaluation of submarine structures





Research Areas – Naval Architecture and Platform

Systems Analysis

- Seaway / Slamming loads prediction capability and full scale trials
- Integrated Platform Systems Analysis mission modelling
- Life of Type Assessment Ultimate and Residual Strength

Naval Platform Concept and Requirements Exploration

Potential Engagement

Maritime Division MSTC: Platform Survivability

Dynamic Military Loads

Universities

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Australian Maritime College Victoria University **RMIT University** University of Greenwich

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Industry

Widelinger UK ASC L3 QinetiQ

A/Research Leader Mr David Cox

Aims:

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Successes

Collins class hull valve

Collins class shock trial

MHC shock testing

Warramunga crew fatigue study

AWD fire modelling and fire protection

JASSM vulnerability modelling and missile damage prediction

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Vulnerability, Damage Control and Recoverability

International **TTCP MAR and Weapons** NSWC (USA) Dstl (UK) ONR (USA) DRDC (Canada

Susceptibility & Signature Threat Analysis (SSTA) informs platform signature reduction and management requirements and operating tactics to reduce the likelihood of being detected and engaged by threat sensors, platforms, and weapons.

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Dynamic Military Loads (DML) determines the immediate structural, equipment and systems damage from weapon attack that enables a higher level of confidence in the survivability of a platform.

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Vulnerability, Damage Control and Recoverability (VDC&R) undertakes analysis of damage consequences and optimisation of recoverability processes to enhance the safety and survivability of personnel and platform.

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Potential Engagement

Maritime Division MSTC: Non-Acoustic Signature Management

Electromagnetic Signature Control

Specialised Coatings

Research Leader Mr Leo de Yong

Aims:

RAN To ensure the have platforms that have improved operational performance and increased survivability as well as reduced cost of ownership.

Successes:

Radar absorbing materials for Collins class submarines and surface ships

RF interference shield for Anzac class

New generation foul release coatings on ACPBs with quantified fuel savings

Haze Grey colour for RAN ships

Universities

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University of Adelaide Swinburne University University of Melbourne DMTC

Industry

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Mackay Consolidated PPG, Akzo Nobel ASC BAE

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Corrosion Science

Environmental Signatures

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Research Areas – Electromagnetic Signature Control

- Design and manufacture of Radar Absorbing Material, with installation to RAN ships and submarines
- Infrared signature modelling and control; thermal analysis for validation; screens; coatings
- Visible signature measurement and prediction; synthetic imagery; emphasis on Army and Navy
- Periscope wake signature modelling; suppression technologies; multiple mast states

Research Areas – Specialised Coatings Technology

- Pretreatments, primers, top coats, paint removers
- Evaluation of conventional coatings for Navy, Air and Land platforms; higher performance; durability; health and safety requirements; flexibility; colour stability
- Non-conventional coatings for signature management: ultra violet; visible; near infrared; thermal infrared; and radar
- Formulation, performance measurement; durability
- Exposure test facilities for Defence materiel

Research Areas – Environmental Signature Control

- Environmental signatures: underwater thermal; chemical; bioluminescence
- Underwater coatings test and performance; biofouling control technologies; ship hulls; niche areas and piping systems; fuel efficiency; bio inspired surfaces
- Pollution control and marine biosecurity; international regulations

Research Areas – Corrosion Science

- Corrosion protection: paints; pre-treatments non chromate systems; location; cleaning; storage
- Corrosion prediction/modelling and sensor development; health monitoring
- Corrosion repair methods: cold spray technology
- Alloy corrosion susceptibility: AUS environment
- Corrosion related underwater electromagnetic signatures

Potential Engagement

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