

EPSRC NHP-WEC Research Project

3rd Advisory Board Meeting



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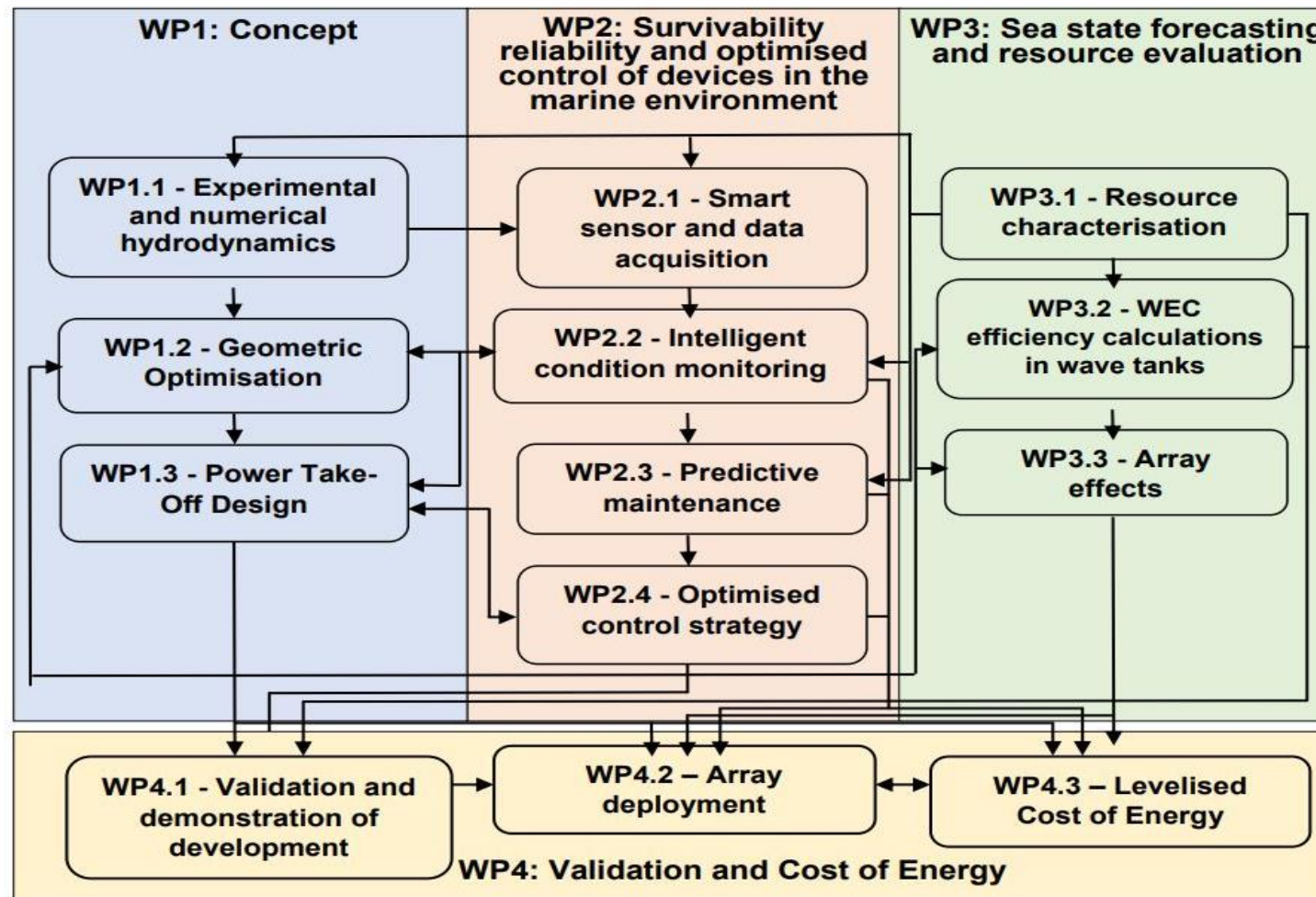
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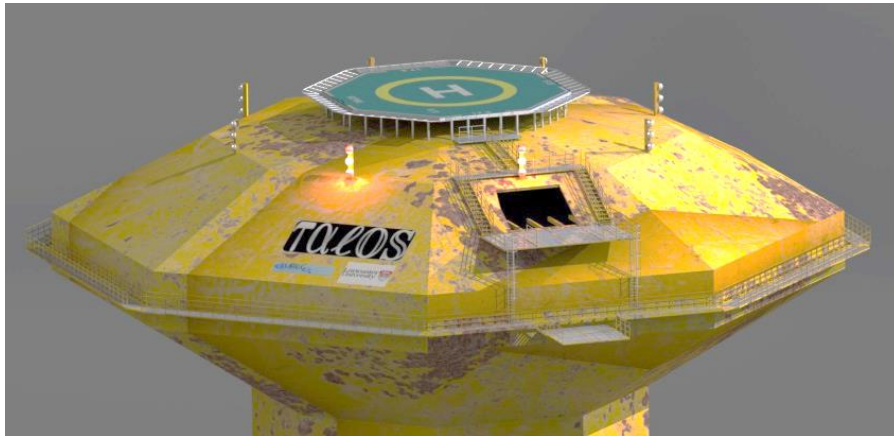
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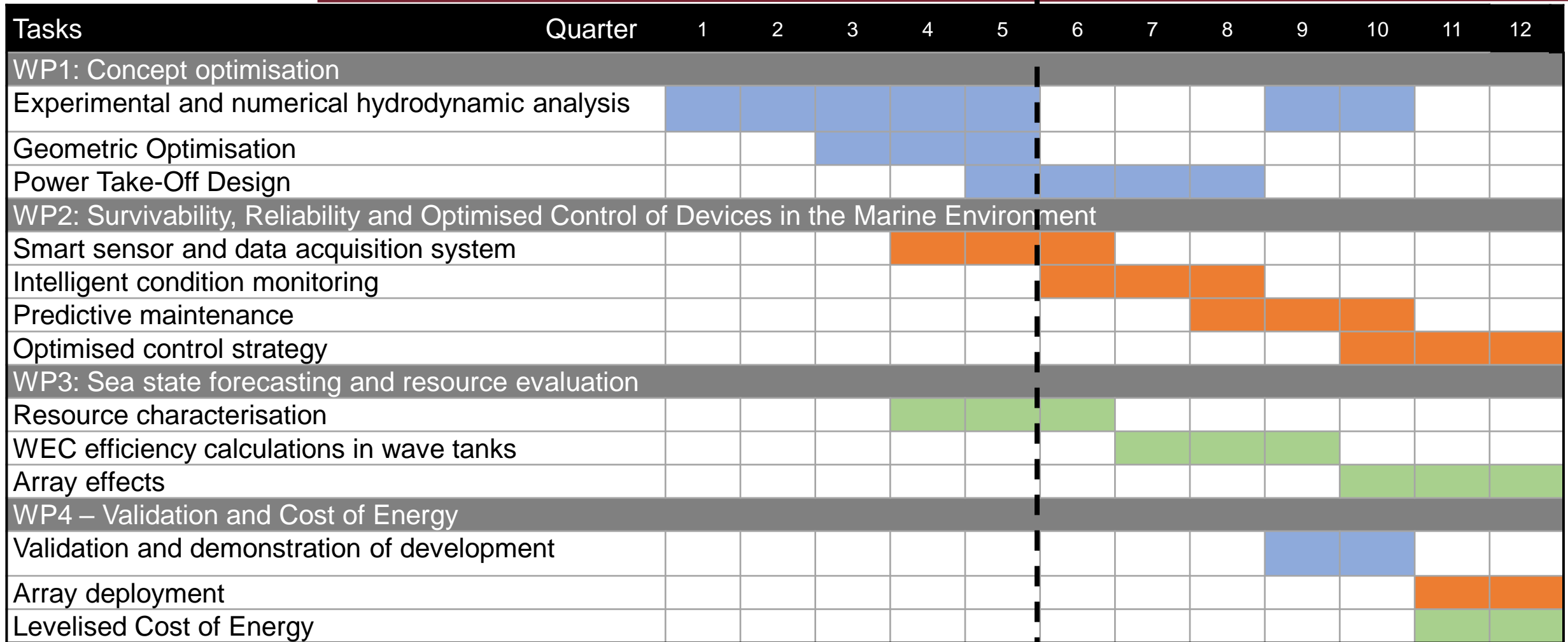
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Work Package Tasks Timeline



Tasks, Management

Tasks	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Determined hydrodynamic characteristics			■									
Validation of numerical model/s			■									
Advanced optimisation of geometry				■								
Manufacturing of final model					■							
PTO design incorporation and model								■				
Established data acquisition framework						■						
Established condition monitoring method							■					
Predictive maintenance methods								■				
Optimised control method										■		
Machine learning model for wave evaluation from satellite images					■							
Model for the calculation of the efficiency of the device in tank tests									■			
Determination of array effects from tank tests												■
Numerical data to validate development										■		
Experimental data to validate development										■		
Levelised cost of energy and potential												■
Array deployment potential												■

EPSRC NHP-WEC Research Project Website

TALOS wave energy converter (LU):

The research proposed is simultaneously generic while significantly contributing to the development of a concept device that has shown potential, namely the multi-axis TALOS that has been developed and tank tested at Lancaster University.



TALOS is a novel multi-axis moving parts, and the internal PTO system is made up of an inertial mass (a ball) with hydraulic cylinders that attach it to the hull. The motion of the ball moves the hydraulic cylinders causing them to pump hydraulic fluid through a circuit, thus to generate electricity i.e. an inertial mass PTO approach.

Key strengths of TALOS device include:

- Fully enclosed wave energy converter, so to avoid the harsh sea environments on the energy conversion system;
- The arrangement of the rams allows for the ball to move in multiple directions, allowing energy to be captured from multiple degrees of freedom;
- The flow of hydraulic fluid will change as the ball's motion changes, so an internal hydraulic smoothing circuit is utilised to regulate the output.

SmartWave (UoH):

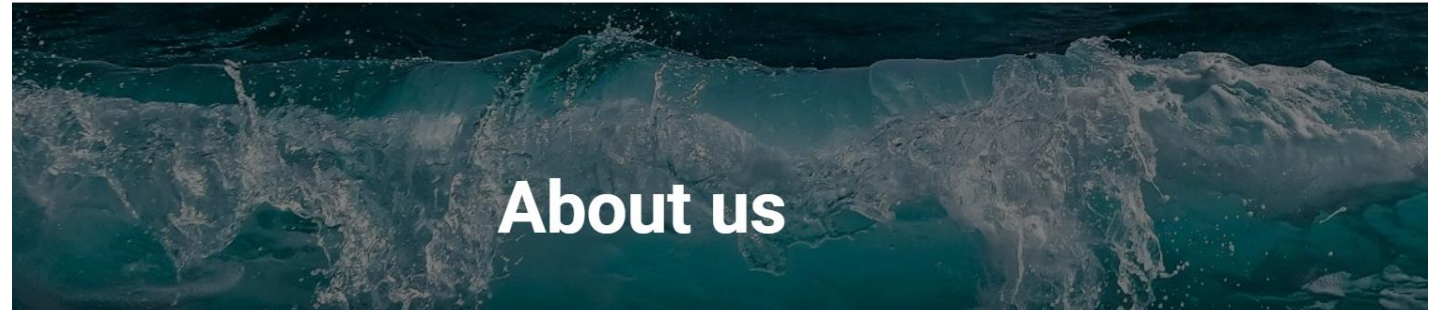
SmartWave is a tool capable of deriving high resolution sea state conditions from satellite images using machine learning. It integrates recent advances in all-weather satellite monitoring to map and study the temporal and spatial distribution of sea surface wave characteristics.



Key strengths:

- based on a novel forecasting methodology;
- capable of resolving sea state within offshore windfarms for sector O&M logistics.

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The NHP-WEC project aims to advance data-driven monitoring and control in connection to both device technology and sea state predictions for WEC arrays, combining the TALOS technologies of Lancaster University (LU) and the SmarWave technologies of University of Hull (UoH). The NHP-WEC project aims to optimise the design of the wave energy converter and the PTO system (TALOS) in response to time-varying inputs from waves (SmartWave). as such, the operational conditions, including wave characteristics, must be quantified to estimate dynamic loads, constraining manufacturing techniques and materials, so to improve wave energy production as well as the survivability of the wave energy system.

[EPSRC NHP-WEC project: A TALOS and SmartWave Project \(lancs.ac.uk\)](https://lancs.ac.uk)

- Supergen ORE Autumn Assembly September 2022
 - University of Oxford
- Offshore Renewable Energy: Towards 2030 and beyond for Net Zero
 - St. Catherine's College
- Invited Presentations Included:
 - NHP-WEC TALOS Project



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- **PAPERS**

- Hydrodynamic studies of floating structures: Comparison of wave-structure interaction modelling, Ocean Engineering, Vol. 249, 110878.
- Time-domain implementation and analyses of multi-motion modes of floating structures, Journal of Marine Science and Engineering, Vol. 10, 662. <https://doi.org/10.3390/jmse10050662>
- A Preliminary Study on Identifying Biomimetic Entities for Generating Novel Wave Energy Converters. Energies, 15(7), p.2485.

- **BOOK**

- Environmental Fundamentals of Wave Energy Conversions: The Dynamics of the Wave-Structure Interactions and Wave Energy Optimisation, Eliva Press.

- **DNV SESAM SOFTWARE**

- Collaboration with AUTH & IHU Universities (Greece)
- Building time-domain model using DNV SESAM code
- For comparisons with in-house time-domain model

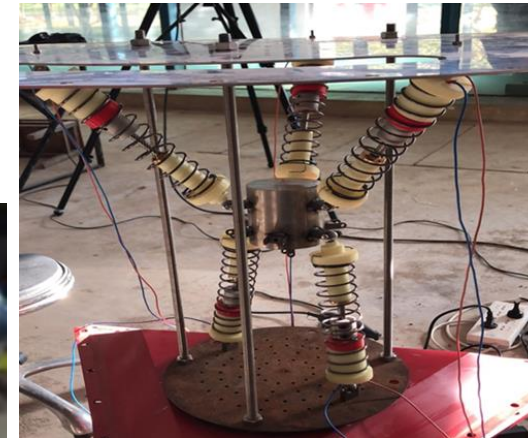
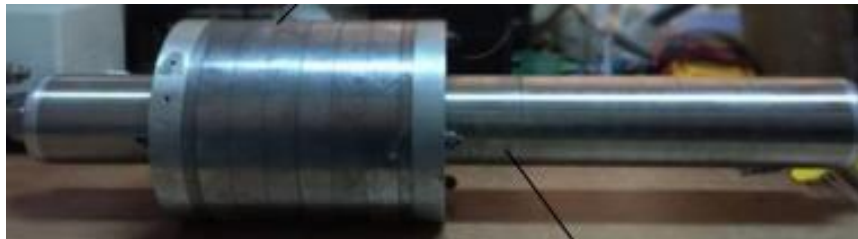




Zhejiang University - China International collaboration



- Experimental Testing
- Computational time-domain modelling of TALOS WEC
- Experimental Modelling and Validation of the Computational Modelling for TALOS WEC



- TEAMER – WP1

- "Numerical Modeling of the TALOS Wave Energy Converter"
- NREL & Sandia NL (USA) - a TEAMER funding award of \$150,000 approved to build time-domain modelling for TALOS WEC using WEC-SIM facility

- TEAMER – WP2

- "Advanced data acquisition and fault diagnosis system for wave energy converter"
- NREL (USA) - a TEAMER funding application 11/10/2022 for \$150,000 waiting approval

- TEAMER – WP3

- "A test bed for the TALOS wave energy converter"
- NREL (USA) - a TEAMER funding application 12/10/2022 for \$150,000 waiting approval

WEC-Sim
Wave Energy Converter
SIMulator



- Renewable Energy and Environment Symposium of **ISOPE 2023** Ottawa, Canada, June 19–23, 2023.
- **ISOPE 2023** includes a specific focus session with title: "Recent developments on TALOS WEC project".
- There are **14 TALOS related paper abstract submissions** to date including:
 - 2 from **USA** (WP1 and WP4)
 - 2 from **China** (WP1 and WP4)
 - 2 from **Greece** (WP1 and WP3)
 - 1 from **Turkey** (WP2)
 - 2 from the **UK** (both on WP2)
 - 1 from **US/UK** Fulbright Scholar on WP2, and
 - 4 from our **NPH-WEC** Project - 1 on WP1, 1 on WP2, 1 on WP3 and 1 on WP4.

❖ WP1

- **NPH-WEC Project** - *Hydrodynamic studies of TALOS WEC using different open source panel methods*
- **USA** - *Time-Domain Modelling of the TALOS WEC using WEC-Sim*
- **Turkey** - *An initial study on power capture performance analysis of TALOS based on power take-off system parameters*
- **China** - *Numerical and experimental study on a scaled TALOS wave energy converter*
- **Greece** - *Time-Domain Analysis of the TALOS WEC using different computational tools*

❖ WP2

- **NPH-WEC Project** - *Machine learning based TALOS wave energy converter power output prediction*
- **UK** - *Fully probabilistic control design application on TALOS wave energy converters (WEC) Array*
- **UK** - *Medium-Voltage Modular Power Converter for Wave Energy Conversion Systems*
- **US/UK - Fulbright Scholar** - *The Impact of Constraints on the Control of a Wave Energy Conversion with a Hydraulic PTO System*

❖ WP3

- **NPH-WEC Project** - *Wave power resource dynamics for the period 1980-2021 in Atlantic Europe's Northwest seas*
- **Greece** - *Operation of TALOS wave energy converter in different wave climates*

❖ WP4

- **NPH-WEC Project** - *An overview of the levelized cost of wave energy*
- **USA** - *Characterizing the use of Wireless Communication for Subsea Data Transmission*
- **China** - *A Method of Obtaining Biological Inspiration to Improve the Performance of TALOS WEC*



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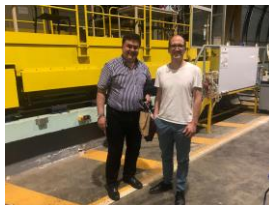


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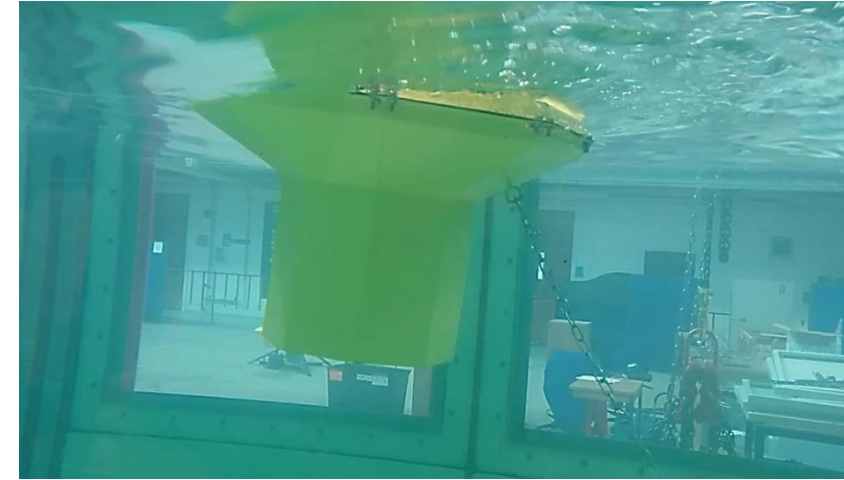
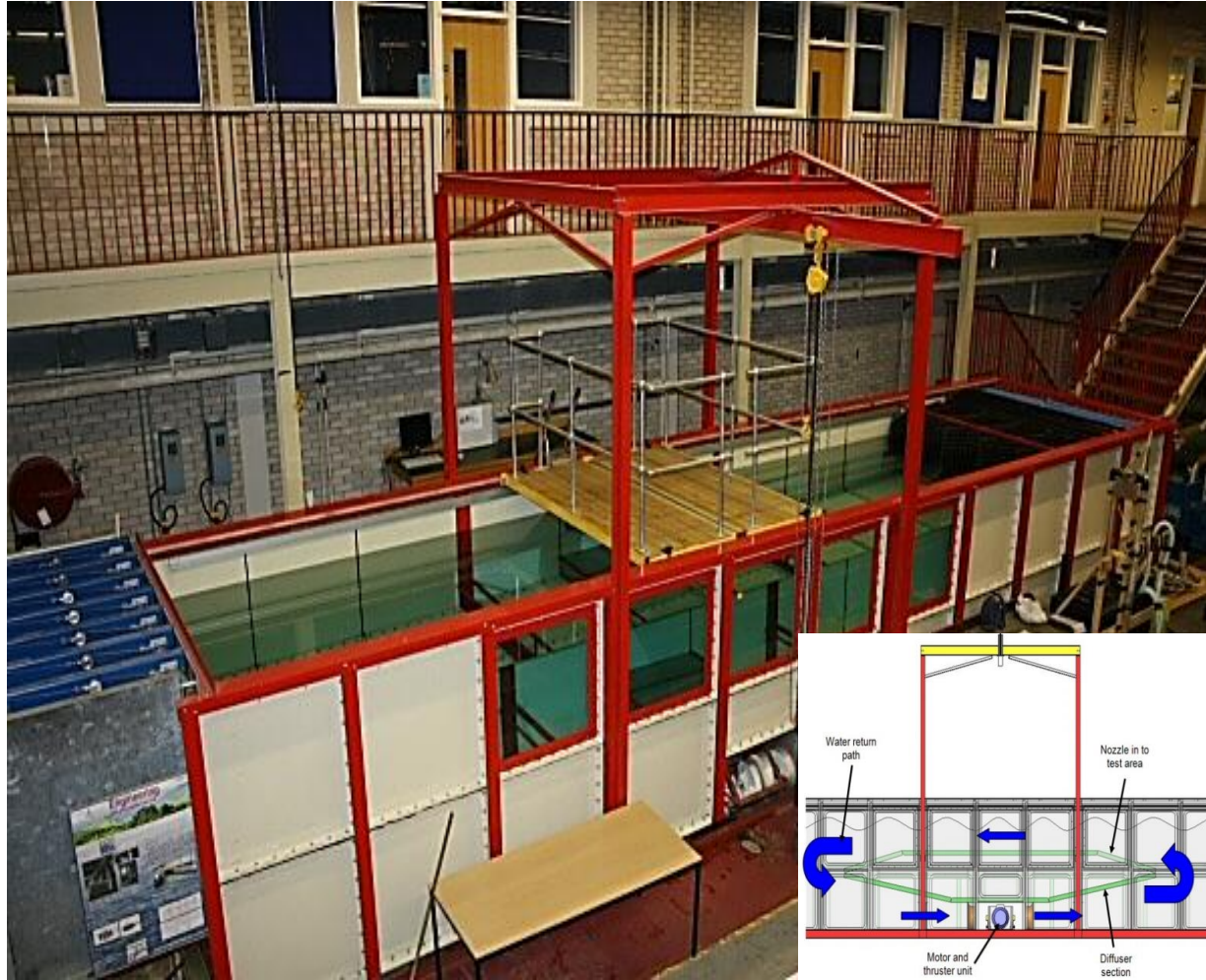
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