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ABOUT CNR

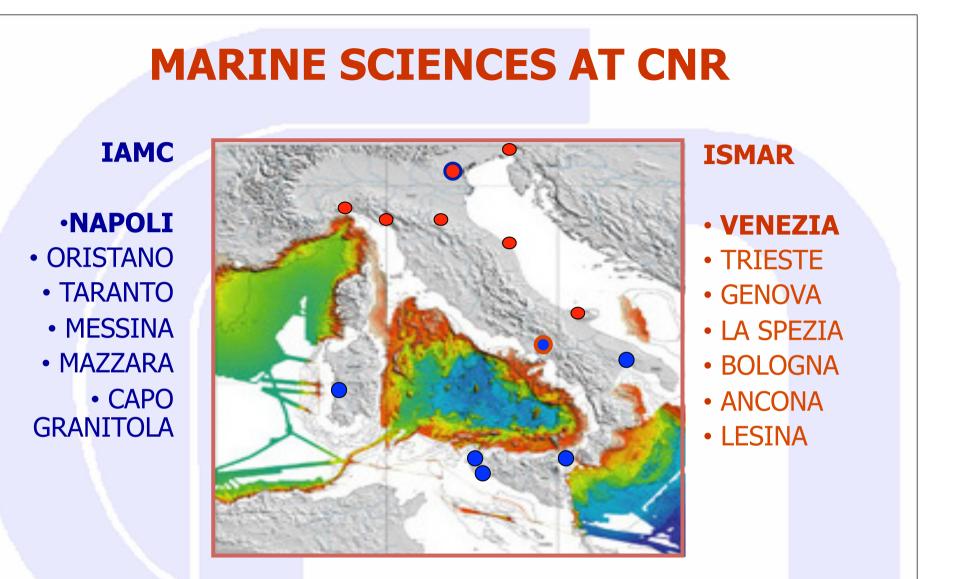
CNR is the largest public research structure in Italy. The scientific fields cover a variety of issues from Humanities to Nanotechnology.

CNR's mission: Perform, promote, broaden, transfer and improve research activities in the main development fields of knowledge for the scientific, technological, economic and social development of Italy.

107 Institutes, located in about 300 different sites around the country;
 11 Scientific Departments organized in 83 Research Programs.



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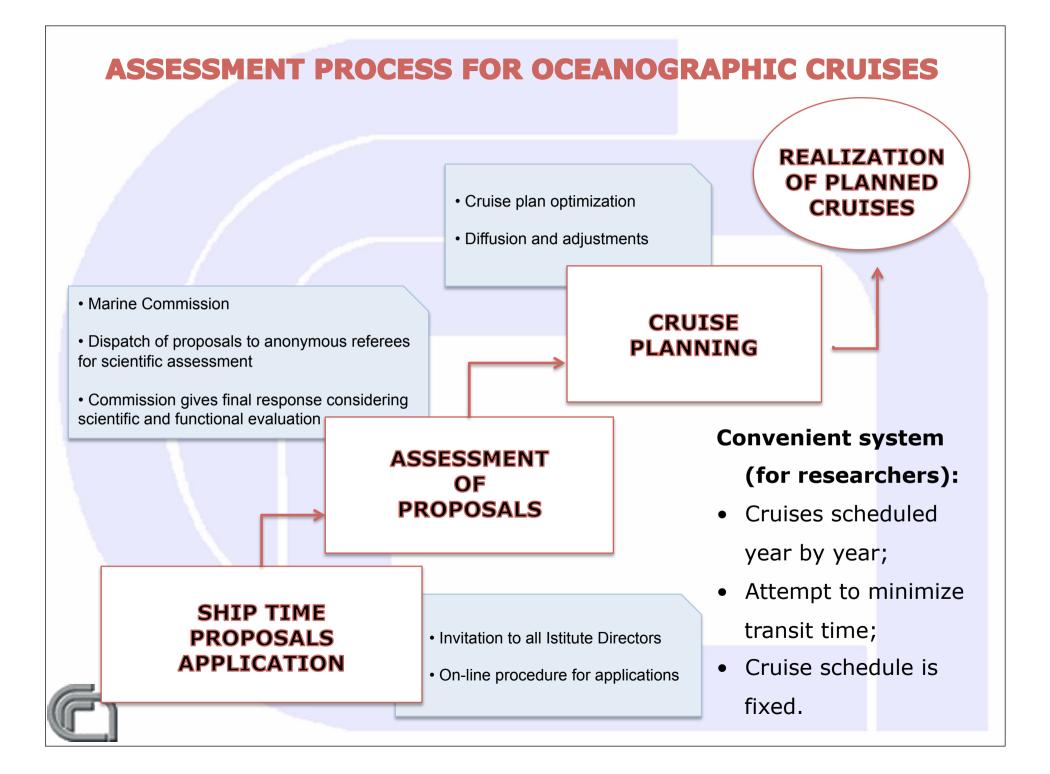
Other Institutes have teams working in remote sensing (ISAC), marine technologies (ISSIA), geologic hazard (IGAG), biogeochemistry (IBF) and water quality (IRSA)

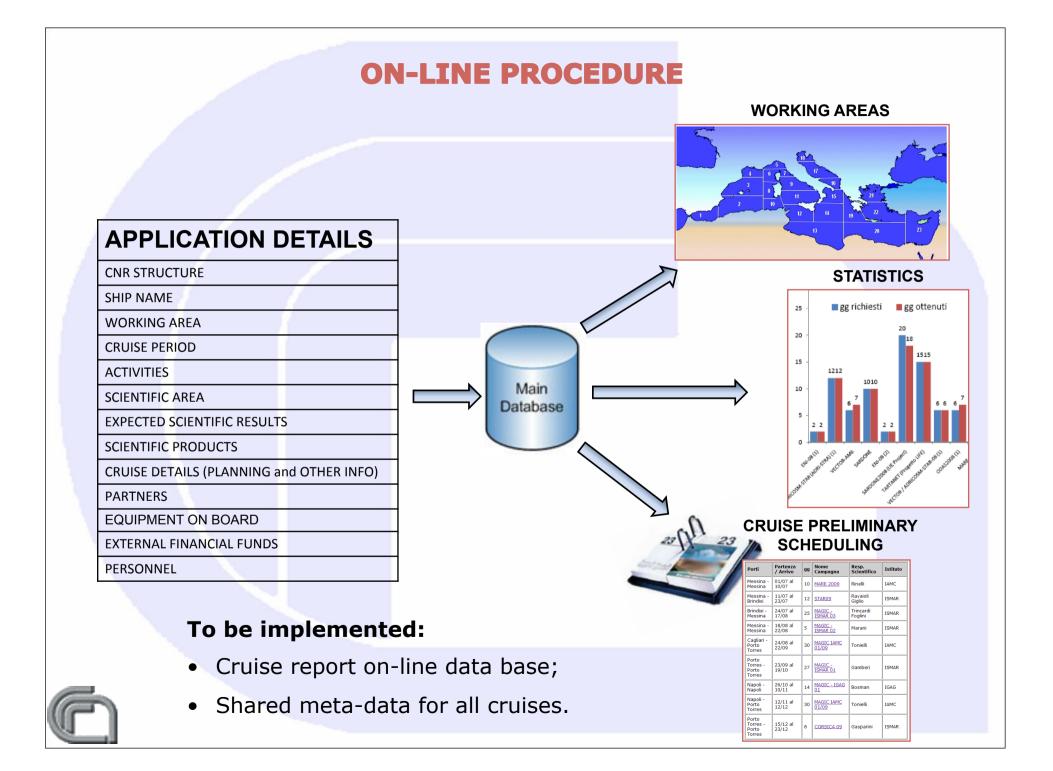


RESEARCH VESSELS AT CNR

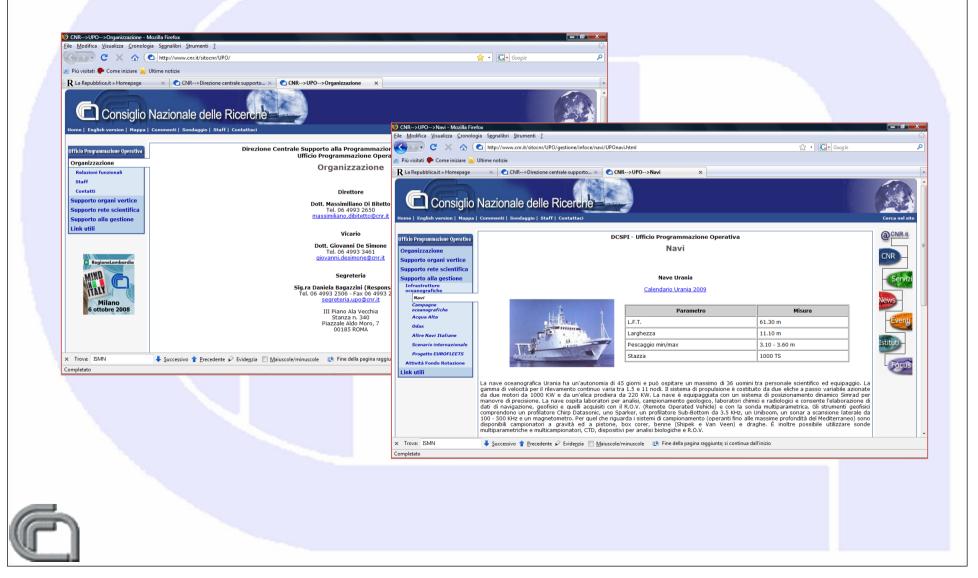
- Operative Programming Office manages CNR's oceanic research infrastructures.
- Coordinates the evaluation of oceanographic cruise proposals the cruise scheduling and foresees the ship instrumentations.
- Coordinates national and international cooperation with other organizations.
- Coordinates the oceanographic observation system of Platforms, Buoys and long-term mooring stations.

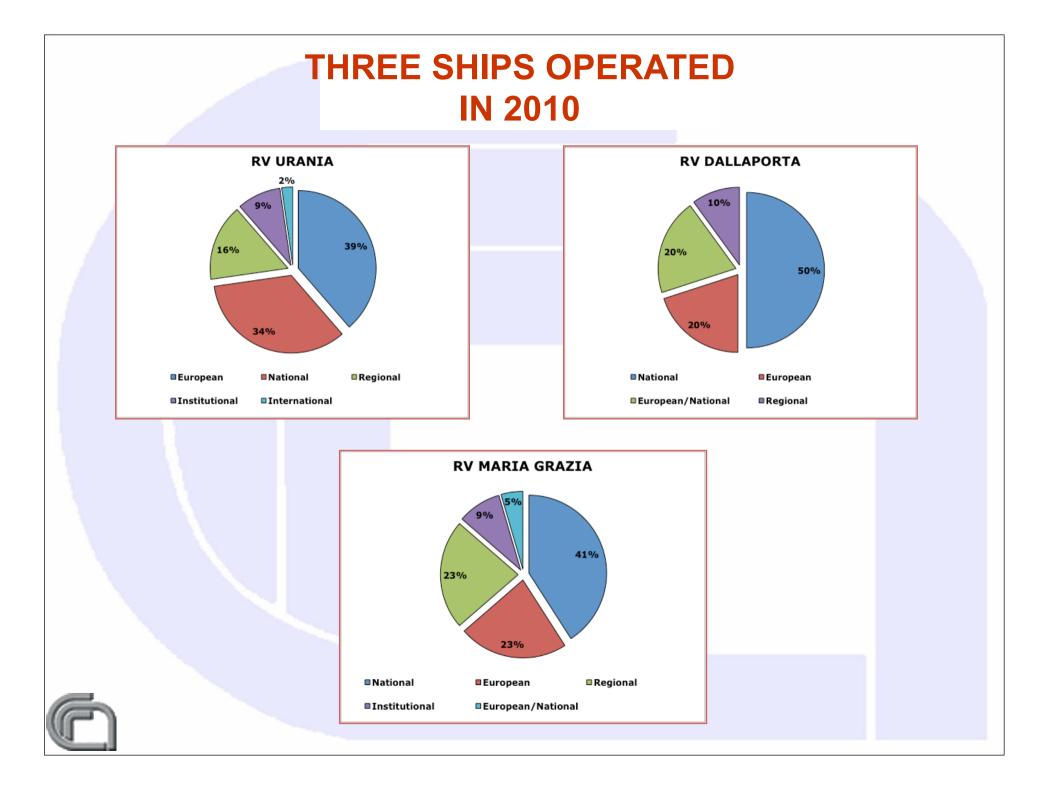






http://www.cnr.it/sitocnr/UPO/gestione/infoce/ UPOinfoce.html





"URANIA" RESEARCH VESSEL



Year	N. surveys	Days at sea
2009	18	324
2010	22	338
2011*	21	336

Main technical features:

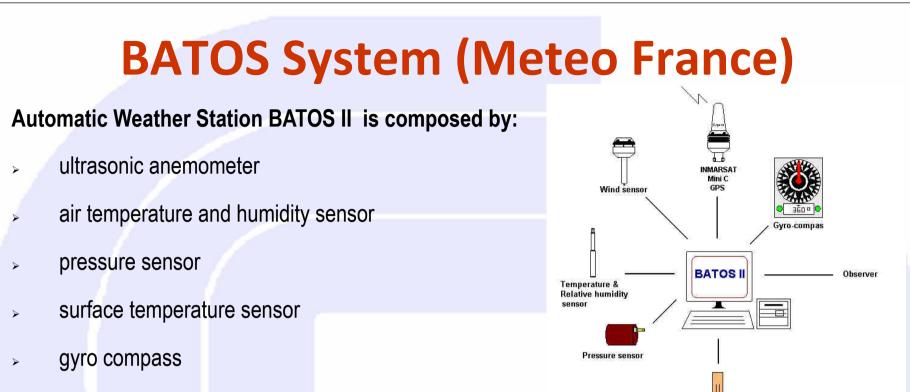
- Category: Oceanic
- Tonnage: 1115 GRT
- Length: 61.3 m
- Breadth: 11.1 m
- Height: 5.3 m
- Draught : 3.6 m
- Max speed: 13 Knots
- Average speed: 11.0 Knots
- Endurance: 45 days
- Crew: 16 people
- Scientists: 20 people
- Construction year: 1992

"URANIA" FACILITIES

Main Activity	Oceanography				
Operating Area	Mediterranean Sea				
СТD	YES				
Coring	Grab sampler Gravity corer Pisto		Piston	n Corer (25m)	
Underwater Vehicle Capabilities	Underwater Vehic	ROV			
Fixed Equipment	Navigational Equipment Navtex FURUNO NX500; Doppler Speed Log DS70; MUFAX FURUNO 208A; Eco sounder KODEN CVS8805;DGPS SEASTAR; GPS KODEN KGP900; Radar FURUNO FR2020; Radar KODEN MD3220; Gyro Compass POLARIS MK2 (2); Gyro Compass MARSH TSS	Communications Equipment VHF Sea Master; VHF Sailor; VHF Handset GMDSS SKANTI; GMDSS Station: Inmarsat C, Inmarsat B; Radio reciver MF/HF 8000; Satellitar Phone Globalstar; E_mail edata	Satellite Communicati ons Equipment GlobalStar; InmarSat	DGPS (seastar 9600); GPS (Asctech 4800); GPS (Koden 4800)	
	Echosounders Atlas Deso25 (12kHz, 100kHz) – (33KHz, 210KHz) – CHIRP sonar (16 transducers)	Side Scan Sonar EDGE TECH DF1000 and 260 TH 272TD	Multibeam Kongsberg EM710	Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler RDInstrument Ocean Survay 75kHZ 50kHz	
	Winches 4	Gantry YES	Crane YES		



Single- and Multi-channel seismic devices to be improved for 2012



> NMEA output (5s)

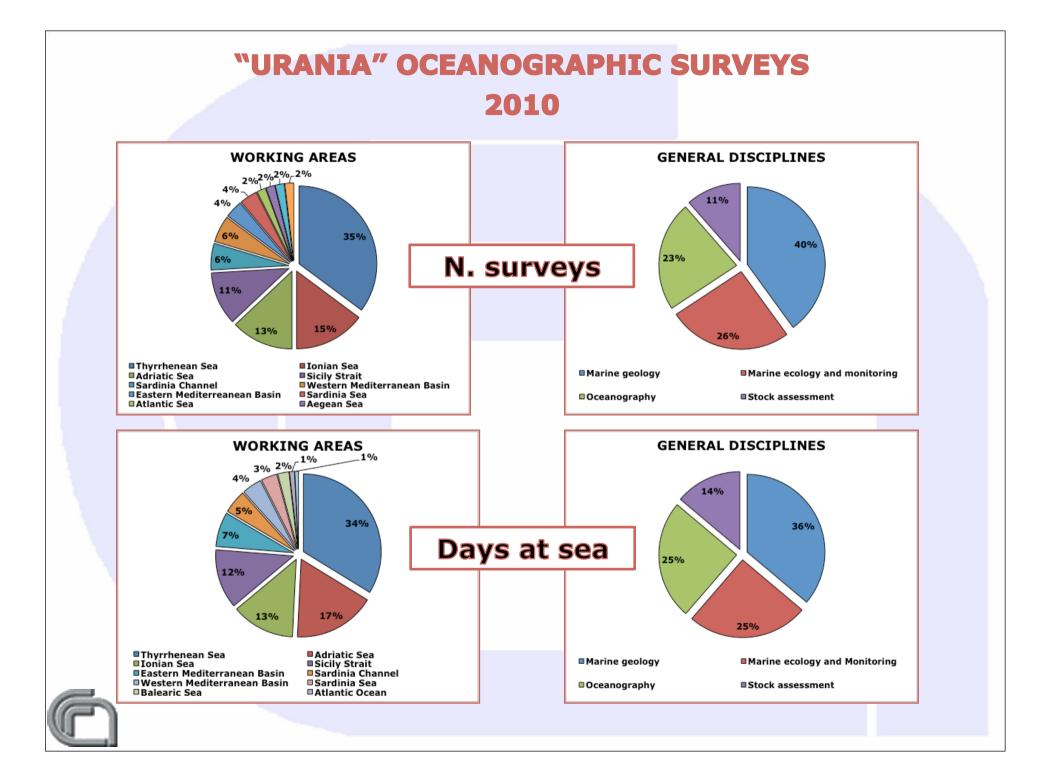
Pressure, humidity, air and sea surface temperature and wind are measured every hour and automatic transmitted to the GTS. NMEA meteo data are collected, integrated with nav data and uploaded onshore every 5-10 minutes by ISMAR software DAPHNE

Sea surface temperature

BATOS data must be complemented with visual observations of current weather conditions, sea state and cloud cover made at synoptic hours by volunteer scientific personnel on board the R/V Urania

Combination on automatic measurements and visual measurements allow to have the first complete weather station over the MEDITERRANEAN Sea

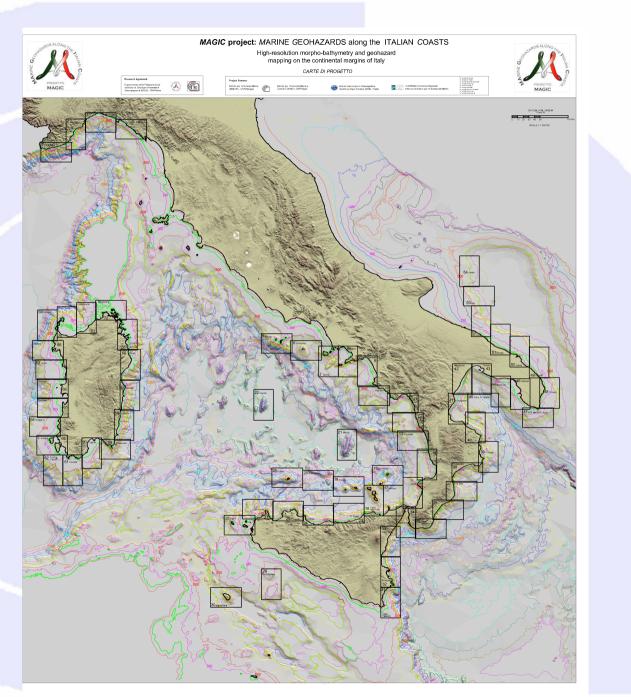






National project on geological hazard

- 5 years (ends in 2012;
- 50-500 m water depth;
- Supported by
 Dipartimento della
 Protezione Civile.





"MARIA GRAZIA" RESEARCH VESSEL



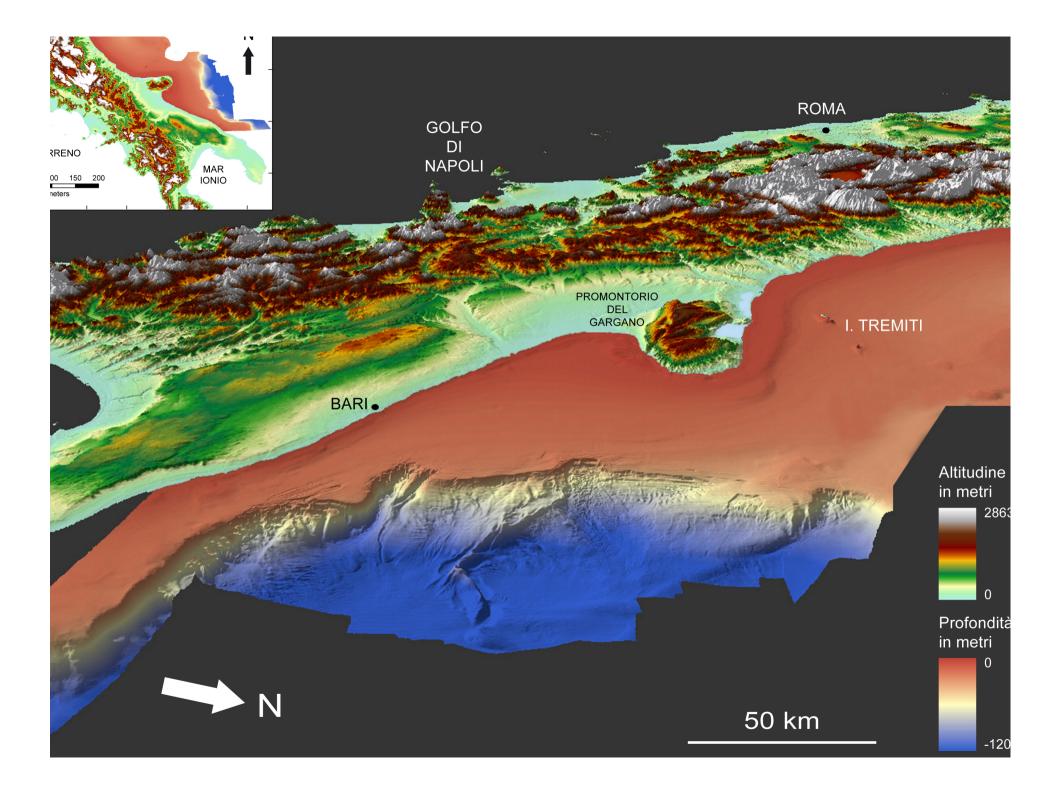
Year	N. surveys	Days at sea
2009*	8	166
2010	13	277

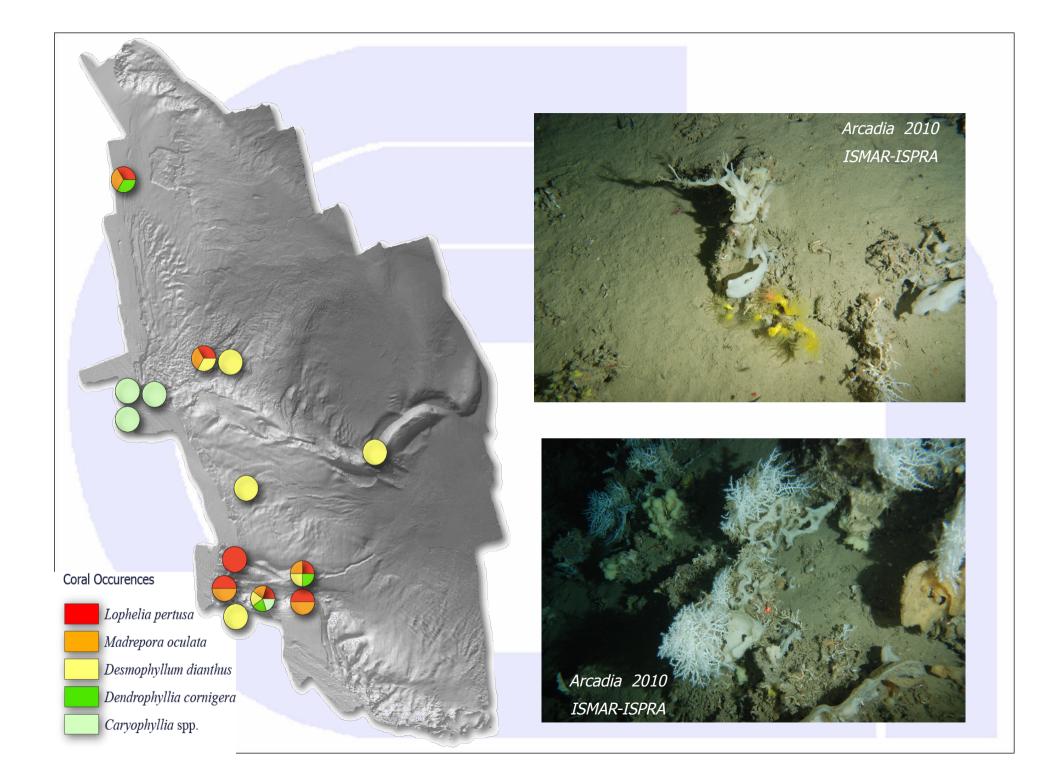
First operational year

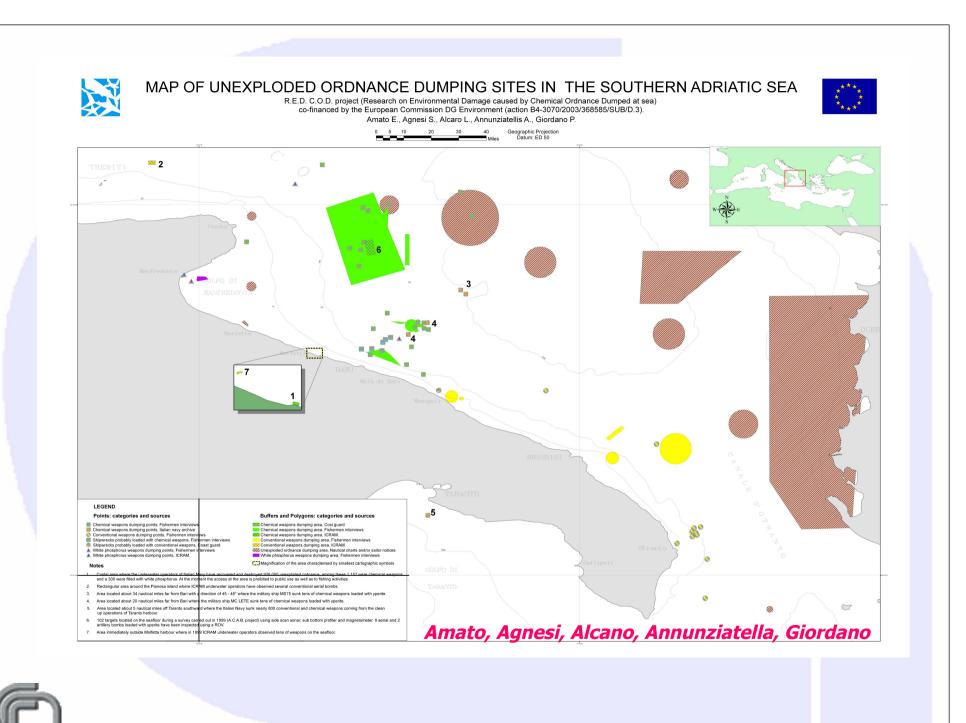
Main technical features:

- Category: Regional
- Tonnage: 120 Tons
- Length: 42.4 m
- Breadth: 8.8 m
- Draught: 3.2 m
- Max speed: 16.0 Knots
- Average speed: 866 kW
- Autonomy: 30 days
- Crew: 8 people
- Scientists: 10 people
- Construction year: 2004

Kongsberg EM3002D







"DANGEROUS LITTER" IMPACT ON FISHING

Fisherman have been victims of numerous incidents due to the accidental recovery of chemical weapons in their trwling net.





In several cases the incidents reported referred to contamination by yperite and white phosphorous.

Direct contact with this agent leaking from the bombs cause severe blistering effects

OTHER ITALIAN RESEARCH VESSELS

Astrea

Universitatis



Italica



Explora





OTHER

CNR OCEANOGRAPHIC INFRASTRUCTURES

ODAS ITALIA 1

Buoy



Ligurian Sea 37 nmi from the coast 1300 m w.d.



Oceanographic platform



Adriatic Sea 10 nmi from the coast 16 m w.d.

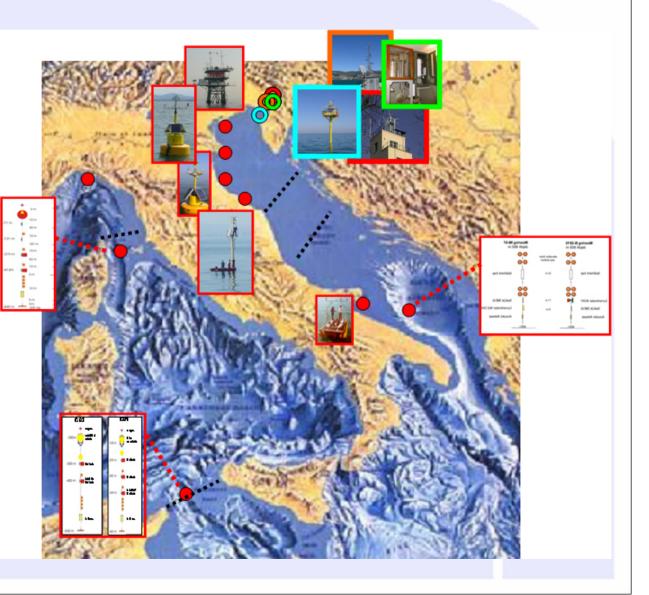


OBSERVATION SITES FOR LONG-TERM RESEARCH

Role of the R/Vs in maintaining the obeservation sites around Italy

And

in running repetitive surveys along fixed transects







- Italian casts are almost 8000 km
- Many Institutions dealing with coastal research; there is a need of moore coordination and sharing of facilities



New fronteers in shallow waters: bathymetry of Murano canals (Venice Lagoon)

