

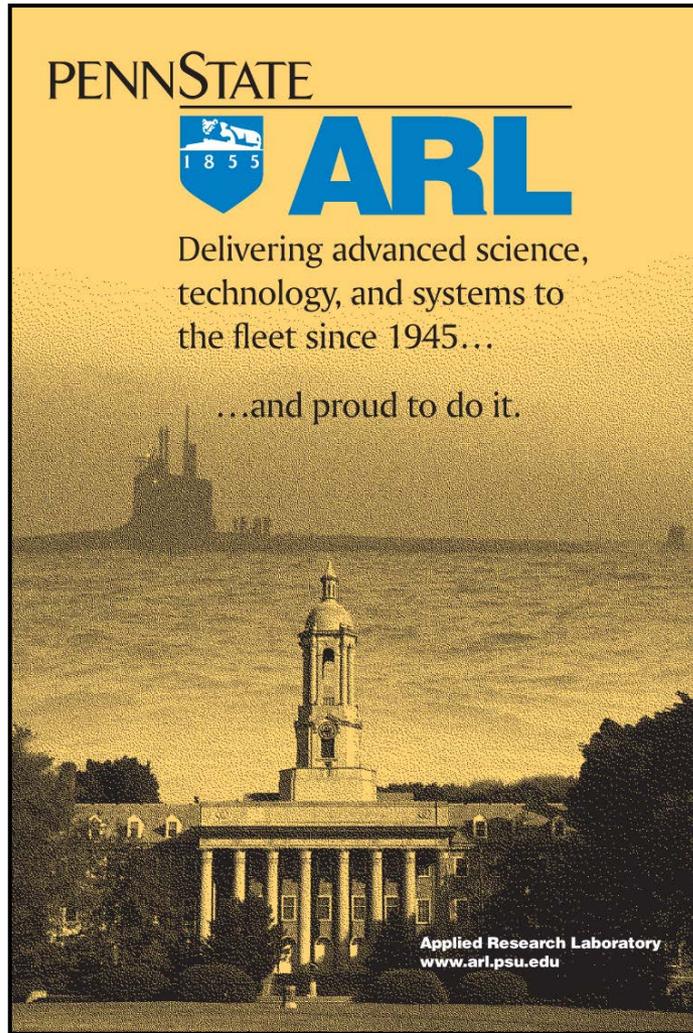


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## Applied Research Laboratory

Portable Cold Spray Repair  
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- Established in 1945 by the Navy post WW II
- Technology Areas
  - Undersea Weapons
  - Undersea Vehicles/UUV's
  - Hydrodynamics and Structures
  - Acoustics & Quieting
  - Comms and Information
  - Power and Energy
  - Navigation
  - Materials/ Manufacturing
- Largest Interdisciplinary Research Unit at Penn State – 1148 faculty/engineers, staff, students
- Designated a University Affiliated Research Center (UARC) by DoD in 1996
- Institute for Manufacturing and Sustainment (iMAST)
  - Repair Technology (REPTECH)
- Metric: Was technology transitioned?



## ONR Defense University Research Instrumentation Program DURIP

### VRC Gen III Cold Spray System - Paladin

- Max Gas Pressure 6.9 bar
- Max Gas Temp at gun 750° C
- Max Heater Powder 45 kw
- Deposition rate 7 kg/hr
- Data logging and storage

### HAAS VF-3 CNC Mill

- Rotary Table
- Pallet Changer
- Dimensional probe and tool setter

### Fully Integrated ABB Robot

- SolidWorks
- SolidCam
- Robot Programming Software

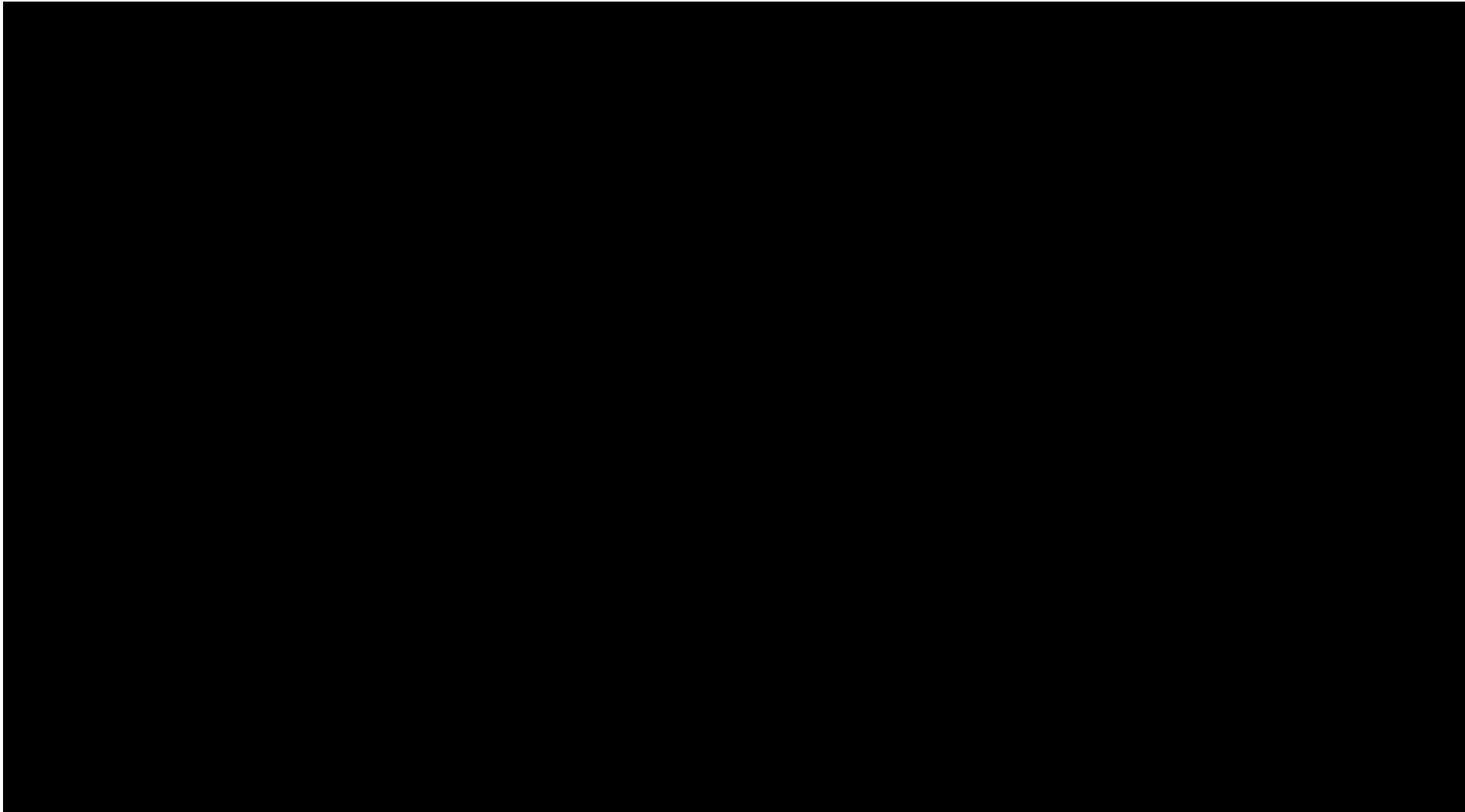
### Touch Probe - Renishaw OMP40-2 Optical Transmission Probe





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# Additive-Subtractive Cold Spray Based Manufacturing Station





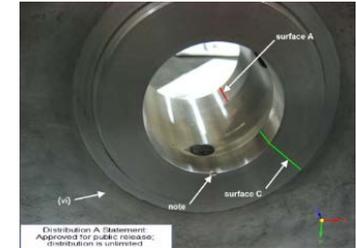
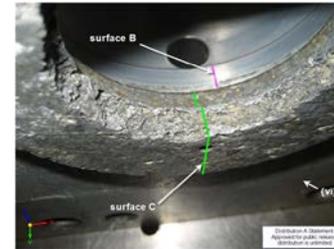
## **Technology Development**

- **Puget Sound Naval Shipyard (PSNS) and the Trident Refit Facility Facility Bangor (TRF) identified a number of candidate components for Cold Spray Repair**
  - **Repair of corrosion damage and material restoration**
- **Four components were selected**
  - **Hydraulic Actuators/Controllers (Al-6061)**
  - **Electric Motor End Bell Bore Repair (Steel and Cast Iron)**
  - **Seawater Valves (70/30 CuNi)**
  - **Seawater Pump Components (Bronze)**
- **Develop, qualify and transition repairs**
- **Navy Repair Procedures for repairs**
  - **General Cold Spray Procedure**
  - **Specific Repair UIPI – Universal Industrial Process Instruction**
- **Navy wide teleconference to provide updates**
  - **Provide updates on Cold Spray Technology**
  - **Master list of components being repaired**
  - **Forum for discussion**



## Cold Spray Repair

- Repairs have been developed using high pressure Cold Spray systems
- TD-63 AI-6061-T6 Actuator Body
- Corrosion Damage to Inner Bore
- Formed team to leverage capabilities
  - PSNS & IMF
  - ARL/Penn State
  - Army Research Laboratory
  - VRC Metals
  - UTRC
  - Moog
- Developed Repair process – mock-up
- Worked with the Navy to develop acceptance requirements
- TD-63 and TD-16, the AI-6061 T6 have been repaired and granted limited use status





## Material

- **Bronze C90300 Bronze Repair**

## Damage to surfaces that hold the shaft

- **Corrosion / Pitting**

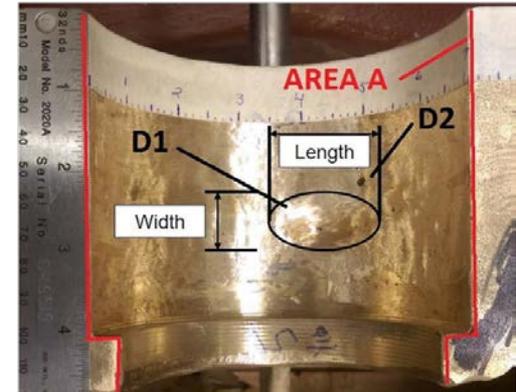
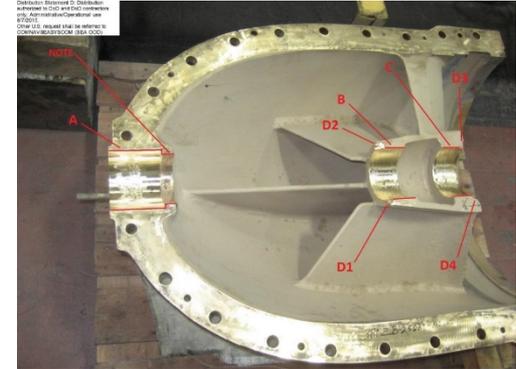
## Repair

- **Remove Damage Material**
- **Roughen Surface**
- **Apply Cold Spray**
- **Machine to final dimensions**

## Acceptance of Cold Spray Repair 12-16-15:

DFS technically reviewed and approved by SEA 05Z4, SEA 05P2, and SEA 05V1

- **Programmatically approved by PMS312E**  
**Concurred in by SEA 08**
- **Major temporary approval for unrestricted operations until 30-April-2019 (FY18 DPIA3) at which time pump inspections will be performed**





## Motor End Bell Housing Repair

- Steel housing wears causing vibration in the motor
- Replace copper plating with longer lasting solution
- Machine worn area to remove damage
- Restore surface to original dimension
- Replace Copper Plating
- Develop repair process

### Adhesion Strength

- Cu                      8.5 ksi
  - Ni                      >11 ksi
  - NiCr-Cr<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>        >11 ksi 42 HRC
- Coating Parameters Established
  - Process demonstrated on steel rings
  - Can be machined with conventional tools
  - Coating Final mock-up for UIPI



Copper Coated Steel Ring



NiCr-Cr<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub> Coated Steel Ring  
with bearing installed



## **Objectives:**

- **Develop high pressure portable/hatchable Cold Spray systems that can be used onboard a ship, in the field or in a shop environment**
- **Three coordinated programs**
  - **NAVSEA Intermediate Maintenance Facility, Bangor**
    - **RIF - Hand Held Capable High-Pressure Cold Spray Repair**
      - **Man Portable system that can be transported through a ship or submarine**
    - **Phase II SBIR - Cold Spray Repair Process Development and Implementation on Navy Components**
      - **Portable for shop, field or pier repairs**
  - **ARL/PSU - iMAST**
    - **Hatchable Cold Spray for Naval Shipyard and Marine Corps Depots**
      - **Develop supporting technology**
      - **Support validation testing and implementation**
      - **Coordinate with NAVSEA and Marine Corps**



## Supporting Technologies

- Higher temperature, more flexible hoses
- Quick disconnects
- Motion Control
- In-process Quality Control
- Operator Feedback

## Operator Environment

- Portable/Reconfigurable Dust Collection
- Gas Ventilation and Monitoring
- Personal Protection Equipment
- Safety Protocols

## Standards and Procedures

## Transition Applications





## Adhesion Results for Hand Held Application Data for Al-6061 on Al- 6061

VRC Gen III Max

ASTM C633 Results – Hand Held

- He –  $10181 \pm 654$  psi
- N<sub>2</sub> -  $6875 \pm 1055$  psi

Dependent on

- Powder Treatment
- Surface Preparation
- Spray pattern



Al-6061  
Substrate



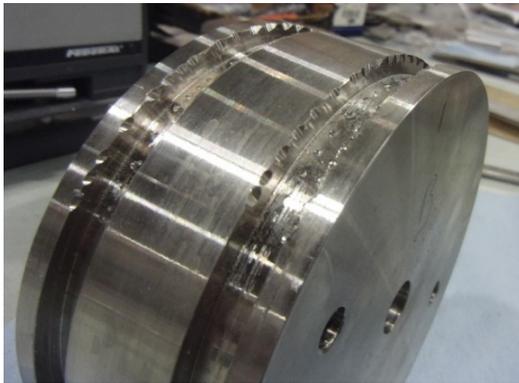
Coated and  
Machined



After 689 hrs in  
B117 11



- **Substrate**
  - 70/30 CuNi
- **Deposition**
  - Nitrogen
  - Inconel-Cr<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>
  - Cu116-Cr<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>
- **Testing**
- **Corrosion**
  - Salt Fog
  - Crevice
  - Galvanic Potential
- **Adhesion**



**Damage to simulate  
damage during use**



**Sprayed and Machined**



**Upper ringed – repaired  
Lower ringed – not repaired  
100 hrs ASTM B117 Salt Fog**

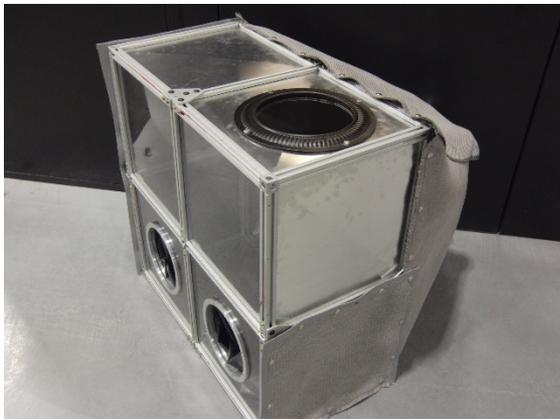


## Prototype Glove Box

- Sound dampening material
- Flow/temperature testing
- Powder removal vs flowrate
- Work envelope
- Testing for particle containment
- Flexible/reconfigurable



Hand Held Repair using modified grip in the portable glove box



Prototype II Glove Box





## Repair of Al-6063 Doors: Problem Pitting Corrosion on Sealing Surfaces

- **Al-6061**
  - He
  - N<sub>2</sub>
- **Robotic and Hand Held Repairs**
- **Find curvature of the door**
- **Machine damaged areas**
  - **Limited material removal**
  - **Blend deep pits**
- **Apply Al-6061**
- **Machine**
- **Blend any areas that need additional material**
- **Apply Al-6061**
- **Machine**
- **Hand Finish**



EMI and sealing gaskets



Pitting Corrosion



## **Hatchable Cold Spray System**

- **Designed**
- **Testing Phase**

## **System Testing**

- **Portable Glovebox**
- **Portable Dust Collector**
- **Hatchable Cold Spray**
- **Sensors**
  - **Particle Sensors**
  - **Sensors**
- **Approval Process Developed**
- **Hand Held Data**



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