



LTI SUPER ACHILLE ROV System 2000

DESCRIPTION



The **SUPER ACHILLE** is a versatile, powerful and robust observation and light work ROV. The **SUPER ACHILLE** capitalizes the assets of more than 55 Achilles sold and operated worldwide, together with the latest developments of the AJAX.

The **SUPER ACHILLE** is operated via a garage and TMS together with a launching system. It may also be used as a free swimming unit up to 200 meters.

Typical jobs for **SUPER ACHILLE** are diver assistance and large ROV assistance but also underwater site surveys (wrecks, coral, shells, pipelines, etc.) in heavy polluted water, or difficult current conditions (up to 3 knots).

With the addition of purpose built tools, the **SUPER ACHILLE** is able to complete surface monitored underwater tasks, such as : wreck salvage, measurements and sample gathering, setting of explosive charge, rope cutting, etc.

The **SUPER ACHILLE** system consists of an underwater vehicle equipped with a colour TV camera, connected to the surface via an umbilical, and operated from a surface PC based control unit, the picture being visualized on a colour monitor. This picture can be recorded with e video recorder compatible with the delivered video signal (video recorder on request).

The system may be operated either as a free swimming unit or via a subsea garage, TMS and launching system.



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THE UNDERWATER VEHICLE

The system is rated up to 400 msw as standard. However all components are designed and manufactured to enable 750 msw capacity. Upgrading necessitates the replacement of the PVC buoyancy foam only.

4 THRUSTERS: ASYNCHRONOUS ELECTRICALLY DRIVEN.

GLOBAL POWER ABSORBED 3 KW / 220 VAC

2 thrusters drive the super-achille system horizontally, forward/backward, left, right, and generate **45 kg** of thrust (static).

1 thruster for vertical motion, up/down (around 7 kg of thrust).

1 thruster for lateral motion, developing **8 kg** of thrust (static)

All thrusters work on equipressure whatever the depth and are theoretically maintenance free.

1 PAL CCD LOW LIGHT COLOUR CAMERA WITH PAN & TILT

(SONY FCB-IX11AP OR BETTER):

Vertical tilt motion 170°

Horizontal pan motion 90°. Camera position is displayed on surface control GVA monitor.

Image sensor with CCD charge transfer device

Minimum lighting: 1.5 lux (50 IRE)

Effective picture elements : approx 440,000 pixels

Automatic and manual focus

Optical Zoom: 1/10

Automatic control of colour temperature

Two simultaneous video channels are supplied as standard. The ROV is equipped with a plug and play like connection and transmission for an additional camera and light.

1 ELECTRONIC CENTRAL UNIT

Fitted into an atmospheric pressure watertight container, the electronic central unit gathers the microprocessors and the electronic P.C. boards necessary for the management of information coming from and going to the vehicle.

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Fitted in an equipressure container filled with special oil, the electrical unit houses the thruster's electronic variators.



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NAVIGATIONAL INSTRUMENTS

- 1 echo sounder for altitude (distance to sea bed) monitoring
 - 1 pressure sensor for depth monitoring
 - 1 fluxgate compass combined with a gyrometer for head monitoring and navigation assistance
 - 1 built-in imaging sonar : 360° scanning head; Range: 0 / 100 m; High resolution; Scan rate:8.40°/s
- A system of auto-course, auto-depth and auto-altitude.

LIGHTING

- 2x220V/250W halogen lights
- 1x19V/80W halogen optional

STAND-BY CONNECTIONS

- 1 x 24V power 2 pins watertight connector remotely activated. ; Connection for tools, additional light, etc.
- 1 x watertight dry contact connector remotely activated. Connection for strobe light, underwater photo camera, etc.



3 Functions electric manipulator

ARM MANIPULATORS :

- 1 arm electric manipulator 3 functions
- Possibility of using a hydraulic arm from 5 to 7 functions according to model

DIMENSIONS

- Width 600 mm / Length 720 mm / Height 510 mm
- Total weight 90 kg approx

TUBULAR STAINLESS STEEL FRAME

POSITIVE BUOYANCY PVC FOAM

POWER SUPPLY:

- 220V tension booster transformer
- Required power : 6 KW/220 VAC
- Fully protected
- Earth leakage system to North Sea standard



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THE UMBILICAL

Thanks to its unique multiplexed transmission system, the **SUPER ACHILLE** is equipped with a low drag, easy repair, cost effective single KX4 coaxial umbilical mounted on a winch with slip ring. The first 30 meters from the underwater vehicle consist in a KX15 positive buoyancy single coax to avoid any umbilical snag when sailing close to the seabed.

Umbilical weight in water:

KX15: positive buoyancy

KX4: 70 g/meter

Connectors: 2 contact Jupiter underwater series

Outside diameter: 11 mm

Total umbilical length:

Standard 200 m

400 m optional optional



Super Achille on a Tunisian Army Supply

COMPUTERIZED CONTROL UNIT

STANDARD

Minimum Pentium IV 3.2 GHZ microprocessor, Ram 512 MB, Graphic Card 64 MB, Window XP, Software Programme package SACH 2000 Version 2.20 a in English with all necessary connections and controls to supervise video and data processing and display, self diagnosis, parameter adjustment etc.

Keyboard and mouse

The control unit is connected to the GVA monitor for dive parameters and a comprehensive range of digital and graphic informations are displayed on the 15" GVA colour flat LCD monitor.

Parameters

Depth: digital

Altitude: digital & graphic

Heading: digital & graphic

Camera: pan & tilt camera location

Sonar: 360° colour display, distance and heading to mouse pointed echo

Miscellaneous: umbilical coil status, electronics container temperature, thrusters power status, electrical consumption

