



## What is an ADCP?

An Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler (ADCP) is a type of sonar that measures and records water current velocities over a range of depths. Teledyne RD Instruments actually designed and delivered the industry's first ADCP in 1982. The ADCP is now considered an essential tool for oceanography, estuary, river, and stream flow current measurement worldwide.

### How do they work?

An ADCP transmits sound bursts into the water column. Suspended particles carried by water currents produce echoes (from these sound bursts) which are "heard" by the ADCP. Echoes arriving later, from deeper in the water column, are assigned greater depths in the echo record. This allows the ADCP to form vertical profiles of current velocity. The ADCP senses in four different directions simultaneously. Particles within the current flow moving towards the instrument exhibit different frequencies from those moving away. This is the famous Doppler shift, which enables precise measurement of current speed and direction.

### What do they do?

When the ADCP is mounted in a moving vessel, the information obtained is used to measure water current speed, vessel speed and direction, and also distance above the sea bed. The ADCP also shows the distribution of suspended material. When the ADCP is mounted on the seabed to look upwards it measures current velocity and direction and—with a simple software add-on—the direction of waves. So with a Teledyne RDI ADCP you can:

- **Survey** the patterns of currents, suspended sediments, and zooplankton.
- **Simplify** difficult measurements—e.g. river discharge and biomass.
- **Receive** rapidly updated hi-res data in shallow water and observe short-lived events or small sized features.
- **Measure** vessel movement through water or over the bottom.
- **Determine** position and altitude of underwater vehicles such as AUVs and ROVs.
- **Collect** high-resolution time series of currents at many depths using a single instrument.

### What makes Teledyne RDI's ADCPs unique?

With well over 30,000 Doppler products delivered worldwide, Teledyne RDI's Workhorse ADCP products have become the de facto standard instrument used worldwide by scientists and field engineers to improve their understanding of water current circulation. Teledyne RDI's proven ADCP products provide:

- **Our Broadband processing** for significantly improved data quality, power efficiency, and error detection over competing narrowband systems.
- **Our patented 2-dimensional phased array transducer design** for significantly reduced size, weight, and deployment complexity.
- **Our unique 4-beam configuration** designed to ensure data redundancy for quality and reliability.
- **A highly flexible design**, which ensures that your base instrument is designed to meet your current needs and future needs as well.



Teledyne RD Instruments ADCPs are versatile enough to be used in a wide range of marine applications.

Teledyne RDI's ADCPs have become synonymous with high-quality data, ease of operation, and unsurpassed value. Each and every one of our products is backed by:

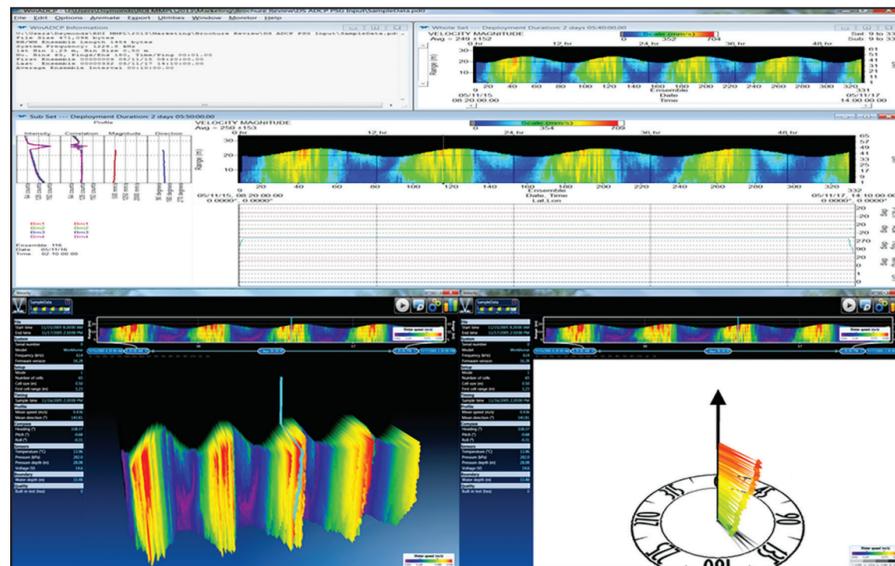
- **The best customer services team and philosophy in the industry.** We gauge our success by your success.
- **24/7 emergency service and support.** You'll never be left to sort out an issue alone.
- **Our worldwide offices** and leading industry representative network to ensure local support when and where you need it.
- **Our uncompromising commitment** to product quality and field dependability.



## How is my data displayed?

Teledyne RDI offers an array of software suites designed to quickly convert data into a variety of graphical display options, allowing you to quickly and easily view and assess the data you've collected. Our versatile software packages allow you to study the results of long-term self-contained deployments, or watch your real-time measurements as they unfold.

For those new to data collection, Teledyne RDI's software offers Wizards that quickly walk you through your system setup and data collection functions. For those with advanced or highly specific data requirements, Teledyne RDI offers the most comprehensive and powerful ADCP software in the industry. From rivers to deep-ocean projects, Teledyne RDI has a software solution to meet your project needs. Consult with our sales staff to see which option is right for you.



Teledyne RDI's Velocity post processing software package offers options and displays designed for novice to expert users.



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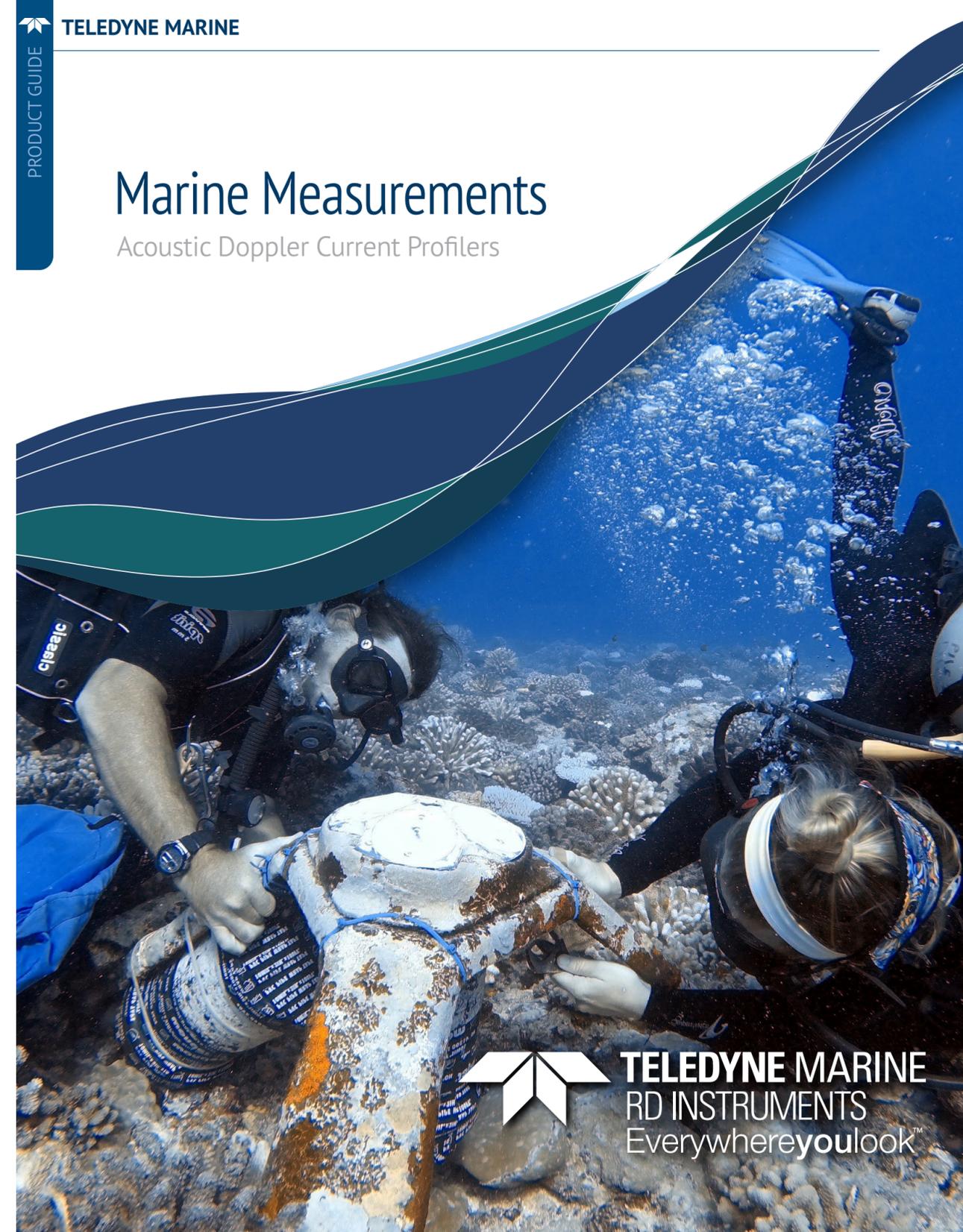
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For over 30 years, Teledyne RD Instruments has been the industry's leading supplier of Acoustic Doppler Current Profilers (ADCPs) for oceanographic and inland waterway applications. Teledyne RDI's Marine Measurements business unit offers a full family of innovative ADCP products that provide fast, easy, highly accurate current profiling and wave measurements for coastal and deepwater oceanographic environments. Teledyne RDI's sister companies provide complementary products for imaging sonars, remotely operated vehicles, autonomous surface vehicles, and more, offering our customers one-stop shopping.

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