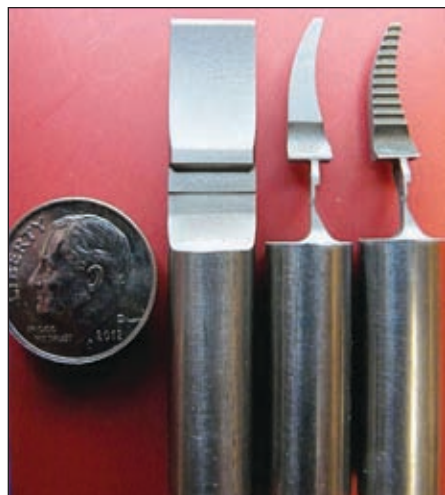


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Application of Abrasive-Waterjet for 3D Machining[§]

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ABSTRACT

Abrasive-waterjets (AWJs) have several technological and manufacturing merits that are superior to most existing machine tools. Recent advancements in automation, precision, and control have elevated AWJs as a mainstream machining tools competing on equal footings with CNC tools, laser, EDM, and others. One of the characteristics of AWJs is that the spent abrasives, if not "tamed," possess considerable residual cutting power to induce damage to other parts of the workpiece. In other words, AWJs are not inherently suitable for 3D machining, particularly for parts with complex 3D features. Although there are multi-axis AWJ systems available commercially for 3D machining, their 3D capability is limited due to difficulty in designing and maneuvering a "perfect" catcher to block the spent abrasives completely from damaging the workpiece. Because the simplest and most effective means to dissipate the residual energy of spent abrasives is to let the spent AWJ shoot into a column of still water, most AWJ systems are built on top of a water tank that also serves to support the traversing mechanism. Such AWJ systems are generally designed for 2D machining. There are several methods to machine 3D parts using a 2D AWJ system. One of the methods is to cut the part

multiple times with the workpiece set to different orientations. Figure 1 illustrates a surgical clamp that was cut several steps from a 9 mm OD stainless steel rod. The second method is to cut 2D parts first and then form the 3D final shapes by secondary processes (e.g., folding), as illustrated in Figure 2. In some cases, 3D parts could be unfolded into a 2D components, cut with AWJs, and then be reassembled via folding of the components. The third method is to enable 3D machining by incorporating special accessories together with control firmware and software into a 2D AWJ system. At OMAX, two accessories (the Rotary Axis and A-Jet or articulate jet) were specifically designed to facilitate 3D machining.¹ The Rotary Axis oriented horizontally is a robust, waterproof rotary head that allows the waterjet to cut XYZ paths to create axisymmetric and/or 3D parts. The A-Jet is a complete software-controlled, multi-axis accessory permitting the flexibility to cut severe angles to a maximum of 60° off the vertical. Figures 3 and 4 are examples machined with the Rotary Axis and A-Jet, respectively. The combination of the Rotary Axis and A-Jet, with their axes perpendicular to each other, facilitates complex 3D features to be machined (sample parts will be presented in the full paper). The fourth method is to apply layer machining technique to cut components of 3D parts which were assembled by orderly stacking the individual layers. The layers are indexed and often machined with 3D features using the Rotary Axis and/or A-Jet.

In this paper, the above and other methods of AWJ 3D machining will be discussed in some details through demonstration of a collection of sample parts.

[§]This work is supported by an NSF SBIR Phase II grant #1058278 and an OMAX R&D fund
¹Olsen, J. H. (2012) "Abrasive waterjets move into 3-D shapes, including pipe intersections," Feature Article, the www.fabricator.com, August (<http://www.thefabricator.com/article/waterjetcutting/abrasive-waterjets-move-into-3-d-shapes-including-pipe-intersections>)



Figure 1. Surgical clamp cut with multiple steps at different orientations.



Figure 2. Carbon fiber knee brace - thermally formed from AWJ-cut 2D components.



a. Space Needle models b. Decorative tube
Figure 3. Rotary Axis machined 3D parts.



a. Blisk machined with A-Jet



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Figure 4. A-Jet machined 3D parts

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**Abrasive Water Jet Cutting
(AWJC) of Co-Cr-Mo Alloy
Investment Castings in the
Medical Device Industry**

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ABSTRACT

This paper presents the results of research that is being carried out within the EU-funded MedCast Project entitled "Development of Foundry Casting Methods for Cost-Effective Manufacture of Medical Implants" (MedCast). The partnership is led by DePuy Ireland, University of Birmingham and University of Limerick.

Traditionally investment castings have been separated from the casting tree with 2D abrasive wheel cutting. This is a relatively inaccurate process that generally requires further finishing operations. This research investigates the feasibility of replacing abrasive wheel cutting and subsequent operations with 3D abrasive waterjet cutting. ASTM F-75 is a high strength cobalt-chromium-molybdenum alloy commonly used for orthopedic implants. The optimum cutting parameters of this alloy are experimentally derived for thicknesses up to 40 mm. Aspects of investment castings pertaining to AWJC are highlighted, such as cast tree configurations and gate shape. The significance of abrasive grit embedment is also discussed. The effect of investment casting refractory shells on water treatment systems is examined. In addition to this work, a comparative analysis of cost and

performance with alternative cutting methods is performed.

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**Abrasive Waterjet Texturing
as a Method to Enhance the
Embedment of Metallic Inserts in
Composite Materials**

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ABSTRACT

This research work arises from the need of embedding metals in composite materials to improve mechanical performance of structures by improving the inertia, while strengthening and decreasing the total weight of the structure. The resin union itself or with adhesives may not be enough to achieve the high requirements demanded by industries like the boat industry, civil engineering, aerospace industry or wind sector, where high loads are commonly employed.

This work proposes an innovative bonding method to assure a rigid and secure embedment of the metallic insert, thus, avoiding problems related to the decoupling of the metal-composite interface. This method consists on generating a "mechanical restraint" by texturing the metallic surface by abrasive waterjet technology, which has demonstrated to be a flexible method to generate different surface textures in metallic surfaces.

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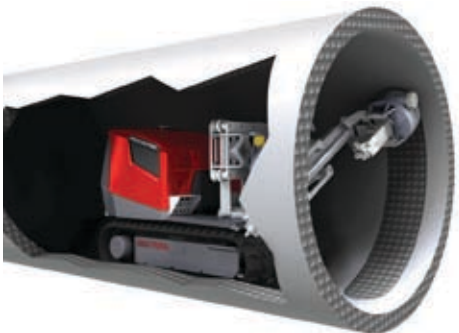
Aquajet Systems AB has launched the world's smallest hydrodemolition robot, the Aqua Cutter 410, designed for hydrodemolition applications in confined areas such as concrete sewer pipes in urban locations, small tunnels, and inside buildings with restricted space.



With dimensions of just 2.0 x 0.78 x 0.99 m (LxWxH) the new robot can go through an ordinary door opening and operate inside a concrete pipe, on vertical, horizontal or overhead surfaces. With a weight of just around 1000 kg it can also operate from scaffolding.

Working typically with between 700 to 2500 bar pressure and 60 to 180 l/min, the robot handles most concrete removal tasks on floors, walls and overhead applications.

It will also replace many applications currently performed using manual hand lances – a high pressure gun operating at 2500 bar or more – providing a more safe and accurate operation with the robot.



The 410 robot features a number of 'tools' including a rotor for surface preparation and work inside pipes, a single lance with a 1.5 m front shroud for surface removal and a hydraulically operated articulated arm with a reach up to 4 m.

The first tool to be released is a tunnel operation kit that can operate in tunnels up to 3 m in diameter. The kit is based on the Aqua Spine system, which makes it extremely flexible since most of the Aqua Spine accessories can also be used. The tunnel kit also features automatic detection of the distance to the tunnel surface, making it easy to operate in uneven tunnel shapes or oval tunnels.

The Power Control Module (PCM) can be disconnected from the tracked crawler. This allows the crawler to be driven into unfriendly environments, for example small tunnels suddenly flooded by heavy rains. In this mode, the PCM is connected to the track crawler by a cord, and the removal process is controlled remotely. This is ideal when, for example, sewer pipes can be suddenly flooded. The work can continue and not be disrupted by the water.

The operator controls and monitors the operation by a remote radio controller so that the machine can be run from a safe distance, ensuring complete control over the robot.



Aqua Cutter 410 (left) and 710 (right).

Features of the Aqua Cutter 710 series of robots such as EDS (Equal Distance System), the ISC (Intelligent Sensing Control), and Smart Lance system have been updated and integrated in to the new 410 robot.

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The patented ISC is an advanced sensing system and features no electronics, such as sensors or cables, exposed to the moisture environs, resulting in more efficient production with fewer stops due to problems with sensors, etc.

The rugged 410 robot offers the same reliability, versatility and easy maintenance and low operating costs as Aqua Cutter 710 robot, and uses many of the same parts.

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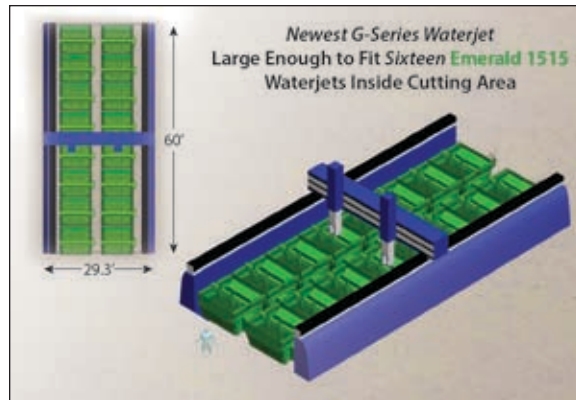


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WARDJet Announces Plans for a New G-Series Waterjet to be Built on the East Coast

WARDJet is expanding its waterjet portfolio by beginning production on the newest, largest G-Series waterjet yet, G-4816. Slated for final location in eastern Pennsylvania, the newest G-Series waterjet will be the second installed in the United States. In fact, the new G-Series has potential to be the largest waterjet in North America.

WARDJet created and named the G-Series for their use in 'giant' applications. The G-Series waterjet is engineered to cut large objects and materials that other waterjets cannot handle. All G waterjets feature



WARDJet's largest waterjet to date, the G-Series waterjet slated for installation in Eastern PA.

five feet of Z-axis travel, allowing extraordinary range of motion. The G-Series also incorporates Infini Winder technology which enables the operator to rotate the cutting head an infinite

number of times without having to stop and unwind cables and abrasive lines. Because of these extraordinary characteristics, the G-Series waterjets have been found to be extremely useful in industries such as aerospace, composites and industrial machine manufacturing. Since G-Series waterjets are often custom-engineered to fit a specific application, WARDJet offers many upgradeable features and options. Customers can still expect the same quality, software and support that come standard with WARDJet products.

The latest G-Series has a high rail gantry design that will make its

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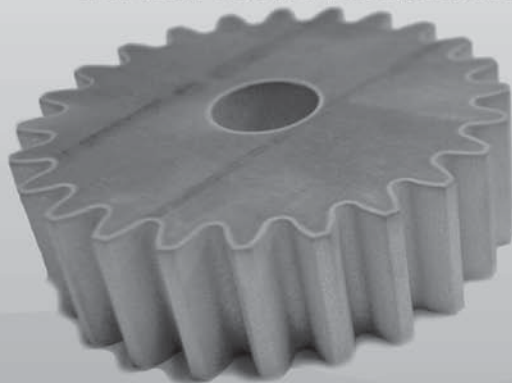
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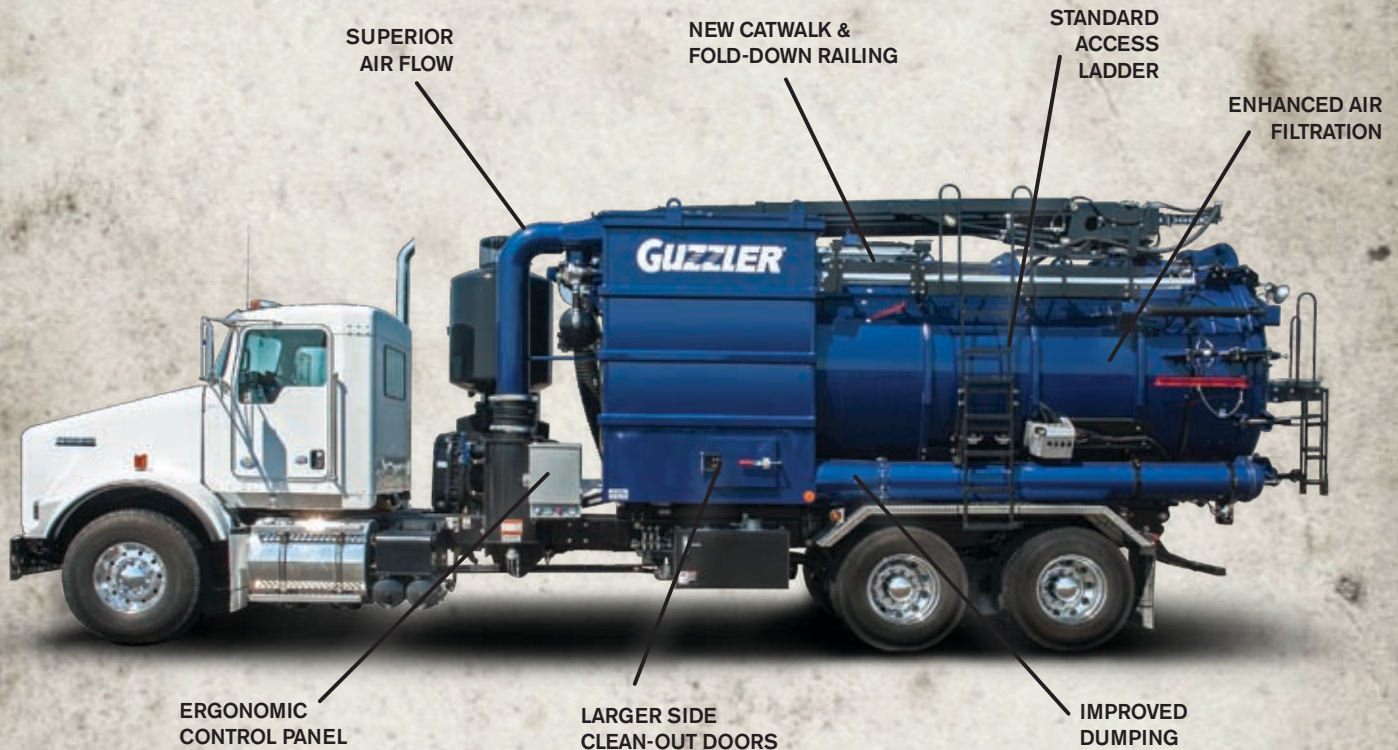
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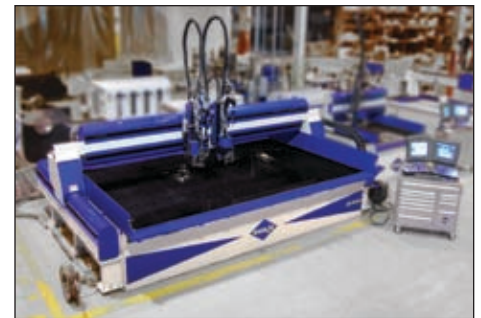
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Some previously manufactured Z-Series waterjet features include the Z-2546 with an extended tank and three independently programmable Z-carriages. WARDJet recently shipped a Z-2543 with a three foot Z carriage with Infini Winder 5-axis head for a

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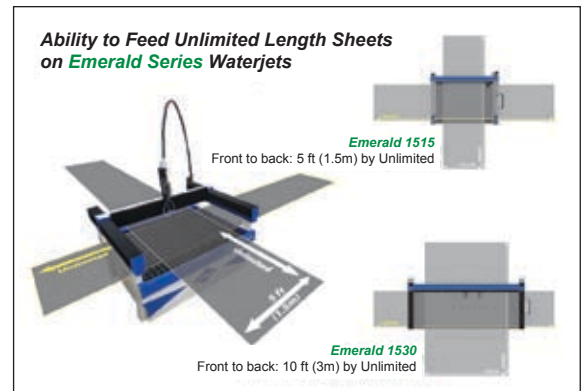
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Jet Edge Names TECHJET 2012 International Distributor of the Year

Jet Edge, Inc. has named TECHJET of Malbork, Poland, 2012 International Distributor of the Year.

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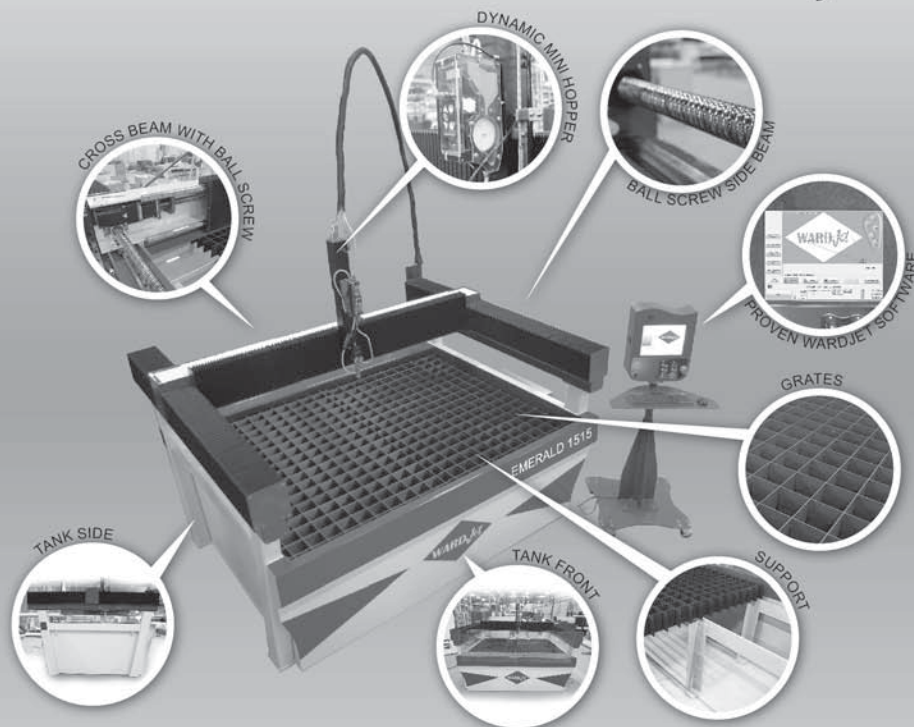
"TECHJET has done an outstanding job introducing Jet Edge's ultra-high pressure waterjet technology to Eastern Europe," says Jet Edge President Jude Lague. "We have been very impressed by their knowledge of the waterjet process and local manufacturing needs, as well as by their genuine desire to help their customers succeed."

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Jet Edge presents a recognition plaque to TECHJET April 7 at the Virginia 500 at Martinsville Speedway. (From left to right) Paul Lague, president T/C American Monorail, Inc.; TECHJET owners Adam Cegielski and Marcin Cegielski; Jude Lague, president Jet Edge, Inc.

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Vacuum Truck Rentals has 400 units in their rental fleet and locations in Indiana, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Mississippi, New Jersey, South Carolina, and Texas. They offer a variety of units for rental in the industrial and municipal markets and also offer leasing and rent-to-own options. Visit www.vactruckrental.com for more information.

The Sewer Equipment Co. of America's 800 HPR ECO Truck Jet and 747-FR2000 ECO Trailer Jet offer a quieter work environment, use less fuel, give off fewer emissions, and are a reduced threat to the ecosystem.

Family owned and operated, the Sewer Equipment Co. of America manufactures sewer equipment, drain cleaning equipment and vacuum trucks and trailers used by municipalities and contractors all over the world. Sewer Equipment Co. of America was founded in 1941 and has built a reputation in the last 72 years as a leading manufacturer in the sewer industry.

For more information, visit www.sewerequipment.com or call (815) 835-5566.

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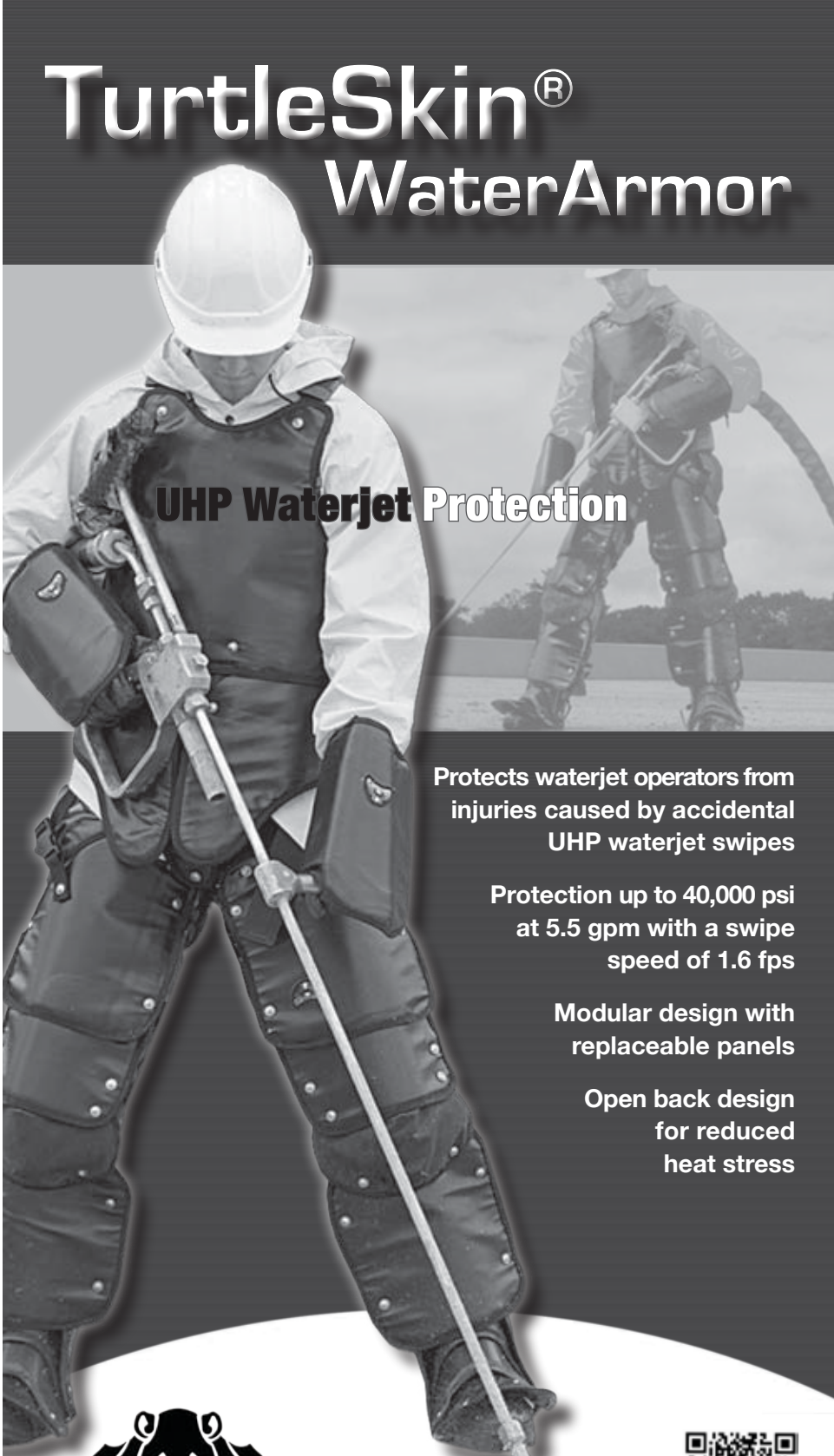
Flow Introduces Dynamic Waterjet® Cutting on the Affordable Mach 2c

High-speed, accurate cutting is now achievable on an affordable waterjet system. The Mach 2c, the newest member of the Flow Mach Series waterjet line, is now available with Dynamic Waterjet® taper compensation. Dynamic Waterjet was previously only available on Flow's advanced Mach 3 and Mach 4 waterjet systems.

Dynamic Waterjet produces faster, more accurate parts by adjusting taper angle with speed. Stream lag and taper are inherent issues in all waterjet cutting, previously only minimized by reducing cut speed. Dynamic Waterjet with Active Tolerance Control™ counters taper and stream lag using advanced SmartStream™ mathematical models. More than just a tilting cutting head, SmartStream technology changes the angle dynamically, based on cut speed, producing a better part in less time.

"The new Mach 2c with Dynamic Waterjet allows our customers to expand their applications to higher precision work," comments Chip Burnham, vice president of marketing for Flow International Corporation. "The precision motion system is capable of up to 800 ipm travel while maintaining tight tolerances. Paired with our Dynamic Waterjet, we expect the Mach 2c to be a new workhorse for the waterjet machine tool industry."

Released in 2011, the Mach 2c Waterjet system is available with multiple cutting head options including: pure waterjet, standard abrasive waterjet, and now Dynamic Waterjet.



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Jetstream Introduces 3000HT Hydrostatic Test Unit for Oil and Gas Market

Jetstream of Houston has introduced the 3000HT hydrostatic test unit for accurate BOP pipeline and wellhead testing. Mounted on a heavy-duty, galvanized skid with integrated fluid containment, this rugged, versatile unit features a choice of a 125 hp John Deere Tier 3 or Tier 4i diesel engine, high-capacity water tank,



Jetstream HTV test valve and the dependable Jetstream UNx[®] system that gives users greater flexibility to meet the various exploration, drilling and production needs of the oil and gas market.

“The 3000HT is engineered for accurate hydrostatic testing in challenging conditions,” says Richard Scruggs, product manager at Jetstream. “As the demand for oil and gas continues to increase, our customers in the oil and gas market will continue to require reliable, high-performance equipment that is backed by strong parts and service support. The Jetstream 3000HT delivers on all accounts.”

Like all Jetstream units, the 3000HT offers greater ease of operation and maintenance compared to competitive models.

For more than 20 years, Jetstream UNx pumps have enabled cleaning contractors to perform pump maintenance in the field quickly and efficiently, without compromising durability. Additional fluid ends can be installed within minutes, without the need for special tools, allowing the 3000HT to cover a full range of operating pressures.

“The UNx system gives contractors the flexibility to tackle the toughest jobs, the efficiency to keep their operating costs low and the performance to maximize productivity every hour on the job,” Scruggs says.

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Preliminary Schedule of Events

Monday, September 9, 2013

8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Pre-conference Workshop – Basics and Beyond
4:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.
WJTA-IMCA General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, September 10, 2013

8:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
Live Demonstrations
10:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Exhibit Hall Open
Time TBA
Indoor Robotics Demonstrations
10:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Boot Camp Sessions
10:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Emerging Technology, New Applications -
Papers
5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
Industry Appreciation Reception and Awards
Ceremony

Wednesday, September 11, 2013

8:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
Live Demonstrations
10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Exhibit Hall Open
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- **Exhibits and Live Demonstrations**
- **One-day Workshop, Waterjet Technology - Basics and Beyond**
- **Boot Camp Seminars**
- **Network with Industrial Professionals**
- **Emerging Technology, New Applications - Paper Presentations**

Live Demonstrations, including Indoor Robotic Demonstrations for Industrial Cleaning Applications

- GapVax, Inc.
- Hammelmann Corporation
- NLB Corp.
- Peinemann Equipment
- StoneAge Inc.
- Stutes Enterprise Systems, Inc.
- TurtleSkin WaterArmor by Warwick

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Waterjet Technology Basics & Beyond

Monday, September 9, 2013

7:00 a.m.-8:00 a.m.	Registration
8:00 a.m.-8:05 a.m.	Welcoming Comments & Introductions
8:05 a.m.-8:30 a.m.	History of Waterjet Technology Speaker: <i>Mike Woodward, Ph.D.</i> , Hammelmann Corporation
8:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m.	Applications of Waterjet Technology Speaker: <i>Bill Shires</i> , StoneAge, Inc.
9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.	Equipment Considerations Speaker: <i>Hugh Miller, Ph.D.</i> , Colorado School of Mines
10:00 a.m.-10:15 a.m.	Break
10:15 a.m.-10:45 a.m.	UHP & Abrasive Cutting Applications Speaker: <i>Mohamed Hashish, Ph.D.</i> , Flow International Corporation
10:45 a.m.-11:45 a.m.	Safety Speaker: <i>Gary Tooth</i> , FS Solutions
11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m.	Lunch
12:45 p.m.-1:45 p.m.	Cleaning Applications Speaker: <i>Bill Shires</i> , StoneAge, Inc.
1:45 p.m.-2:30 p.m.	Field Cutting Applications Speaker: <i>Terry Gromes</i> , Terydon, Inc.
2:30 p.m.-3:15 p.m.	Surface Prep Speaker: <i>Lydia Frenzel, Ph.D.</i> , Advisory Council
3:15 p.m.-3:30 p.m.	Break
3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.	Robotic Applications Speaker: <i>Jim Van Dam</i> , NLB Corporation

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Hydroexcavation in the Oil and Gas Industry

Neil McLean, Hydroexcavation Consulting Unlimited, will discuss hydroexcavation applications for contractors serving the oil and gas industry. Mr. McLean will share tips on ways to increase the productivity of your hydroexcavation unit and operate in a safe and efficient manner.

Refractory Removal by High Pressure Waterjets

Doug Wright, Director of Research and Development, StoneAge, Inc., will discuss the benefits of refractory removal by high pressure waterjet and the most effective operating parameters for refractory removal. Mr. Wright will review typical applications and teach you how to estimate rates of refractory removal.

Grounding and Bonding

Mike O'Brien, Product Manager, Newson Gale, will give you an in-depth look at how vacuum trucks can be grounded and protected from electrostatic ignition hazards. Learn why static electricity presents a potential source of ignition in combustible atmospheres, what grounding is, and why it is so important to do it correctly.

The Basics of Efficient Manual Waterblast Use

Gary W. Toothe, CET, Training Manager, FS Solutions, will review how to use the horsepower formula to solve questions about horsepower, flow, and pressure. Mr. Toothe will show you how to calculate the differences between pump pressures and actual cleaning pressures and how to minimize pressure losses in waterblast systems.

Nozzle Selection

Bill Shires, Director of Marketing and Business Development, StoneAge, Inc., will present an overview on understanding and controlling pressure loss, and he will demonstrate the importance of jet quality across all pressure ranges. Mr. Shires will evaluate stand-off distances, material jet-ability, and other aspects of nozzle selection.

Overcoming the Barriers to Hands Free Hydroblasting

Tyler Bargas, Maintenance Contract Administrator, The Dow Chemical Company, will discuss how the Louisiana operations of The Dow Chemical Company have reduced the potential for injuries through implementation of hands-free cleaning requirements. Learn more about required training for hydroblasting technicians and continued compliance with Dow's global hydroblasting safety standard.

Waterblasting Safety – Everyone's Responsibility

Edward Twaddell Jr., Application Engineer, TurtleSkin WaterArmor by Warwick, will discuss the dangers involved in waterjetting work and how to avoid waterjet accidents. Mr. Twaddell will address equipment and checks, procedures, and leadership responsibilities.

High Pressure Hydroblasting Hose Failure and Life Cycle Analysis

Rick Pitman, CSP, Director, PSC Industrial Services' Environment, Health, and Safety Technology (EHST), will discuss why high pressure hose failures are a leading cause of loss in the hydroblasting industry. No widely known quantifiable data exist regarding life span, run time, and failure rates. PSC began the first comprehensive study of such data in January 2012 and Mr. Pitman will share the first year's worth of data. Such data should help contribute to a greater understanding of hose life expectancy and methods to more safely handle and utilize high pressure hoses in hydroblasting operations.

Industrial Vacuuming – Emissions Free

Christopher J. Bourg, Director of Special Services South, Aquilex HydroChem, will review the different types of technology available to control emissions on vacuum trucks and the advantages and disadvantages of each type of system. Find out how different emissions control systems can affect your work schedule, and discover ways to reduce time and resource constraints.



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Understanding the Power of Vacuum

"Professor" Phil Stein, a consultant in the industrial vacuum industry, will present this "nuts and bolts science lab" for first-time users and experienced vacuum truck operators. Topics include basic types of trucks, how pressure works, measuring vacuum and pressure, why hose diameter and length is important, viscous materials, air mover configuration, special operations, when things go wrong, and major safety concerns.

Maximizing Efficiency in Manual Waterblast Applications

Gary W. Toothe, CET, Training Manager, FS Solutions, will discuss how to best determine proper nozzle configurations for pipe cleaning, tube cleaning, and surface cleaning. Mr. Toothe will share tips to determine thrust in pipe cleaning and back thrust in surface cleaning, and he will offer suggestions for maximizing production.

Emerging Technology, New Applications - Paper Presentations

- Abrasive Water Jet Cutting (AWJC) of Co-Cr-Mo Alloy Investment Castings in the Medical Device Industry, by *M. Cashman, L. Soo, D. Shepherd, A. Rabani and S. Ramirez*
- An Experimental Study of Thermally Enhanced Abrasive Water Jet Machining of Hard-to-Machine and Ductile Materials, by *D. Patel and P. Tandon*
- Application of Abrasive-Waterjet for 3D Machining, by *H.-T. Liu*
- Characteristics of Air Coated Abrasive Suspension Jets Under Submerged Condition, by *H. Ito, G. Peng and S. Shimizu*
- Experimental Study of a High Efficient Jet Nozzle in Coiled Tubing Radial Drilling Technique, by *D. Ma, G. Li, Z. Huang, J. Niu, X. Song, and R. Guo*
- Extending Ability of the Micro-hole Radial Horizontal Well Drilled by Hydrojet, by *H. Chi, G. Li, Z. Huang, S. Tian and F. Di*
- Hydrajert Energized Fracturing Mixed Nitrogen Treatment Design and Parameters Calculation, by *C. Cai, G. Li, and Z. Shen*
- Impact Force of High Pressure Waterjets, by *D. Wright*
- Interpretation of Intricate Drawings into Actual Objects, by *V. Cutler*
- Is Lowering of AWJ Cutting Costs by an Increasing Pressure Economic Feasible?, by *A. Perec*
- Mechanism of Hydraulic Pulsed and Cavitating Jet Improving ROP and Application in China Offshore Drilling, by *H. Shi, G. Li, and Z. Huang*
- Paint Removal of Airplane & Water Jet Application, by *S. Xue, J. Su, Z. Chen, F. Lu, and H. Zhu*
- Present Situation and Development of Chinese Cleaning Industry, by *C. Ma*
- Pressure Boosting Effect in Perforation Cavity During Supercritical Carbon Dioxide Jet Fracturing, by *Y. Cheng, G. Li, H. Wang and Z. Shen*
- Pulsed Jet to Improve Drilling Speed in Deep Wells, by *L. Cui, H. Wang, and F. Zhang*
- Pumping Efficiency's Effect on Cutting Optimization, by *A. Henning and P. Miles*
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- Reconditioning of Solid Radioactive Waste Using Forced Pulsed Waterjet (FPWJ), by *A. Tieu, B. Daniels, M. Xu, W. Yan and M. Vijay*
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- Removal of a Failed Coating System from a High-rise Using Automated UHP Water Jets, by *T. Kupscznk and J. Van Dam*
- Robot-assisted Displacement Osteotomy by the Abrasive Waterjet – Concept and Technical Realization, by *D. Zaremba, R. Westphal, C. Krettek, F.M. Wahl, Fr.-W. Bach, and T. Hassel*
- Study on Photoelectric Confrontation of Water Mist Screen System, by *B. Ren, HJ. Zhang, HG Xu and M. Guan*
- Technical and Economical Comparison of Waterjet and Abrasive Blast Methods to be Used in De-Coating and Cleaning Processes, by *H. Teimourian*
- The Use of High Pressure Water Jets to Improve Performance of Rotary Cutter Head Dredges from the Inside Out, by *C. Wyatt and H. Miller*
- Top Ten Challenges in Milling Using Abrasive Water Jet Machining Process, by *VKG Thammana*
- UHP/LV Waterjet – Surface Re-Texturizing for Bitumen Flushing/Bleeding, by *S. Robinson*
- Verification of Turbulent Correlation and Impact Study of High-Pressure Abrasive Water Jet, by *C. Kang, H.X. Liu and M.G. Yang*
- Wet Abrasive Blast – When Will We Ever Get a Standard?, by *L. Frenzel*



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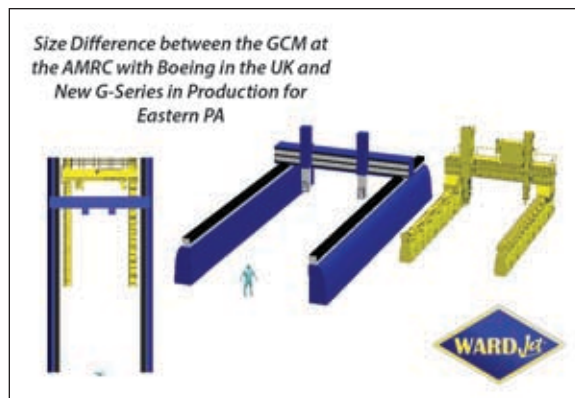
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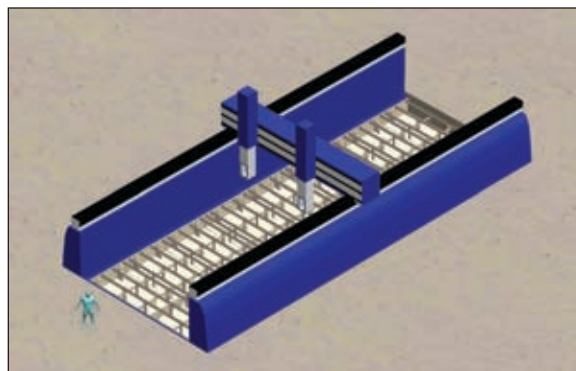
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debut in the US in the winter of 2013. Many design characteristics for this new machine are loosely based on another large-scale WARDJet machine known as the GCM, which is installed at the AMRC with Boeing in the United Kingdom. The GCM in the UK was designed with a five axis milling head and five axis waterjet to be used in research of manufacturing and composites. The new G-series in the US will be similar, but will feature waterjet heads only to be used in large industrial manufacturing. Also, this G-Series will feature a sunken-tank design to make loading easier and the cutting area more accessible.

WARDJet will release more information on this exciting project as plans progress. For more details, visit www.wardjet.com or call (330)677-9100.



Size comparison between newly designed G-Series waterjet and existing GCM at the AMRC with Boeing.



WARDJet's newest G-Series waterjet features 5 feet of Z travel, expanded cutting area and sunken tank design.

NLB Introduces 24,000 psi Multi-gun Valve

NLB Corp. has introduced the MGV24-1200, a new multi-gun valve that allows two or more high-pressure waterjet lances (or other accessories) to be operated from the same 24,000 psi pump unit and can be rebuilt in the field in just five minutes.

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The MGV24-1200 not only allows two operators to independently control the loading and dumping of pressure to their own lances, but introduces a



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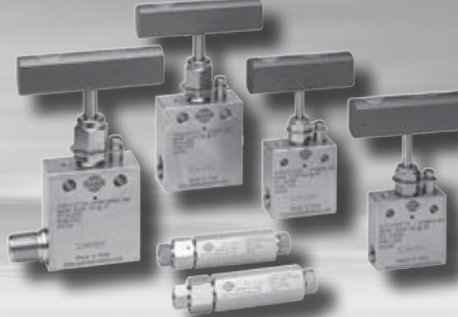

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This paper presents the experimental work done in steel and fiberglass/epoxy laminate. Firstly, abrasive waterjet parameters were adjusted and tool path strategies were selected to obtain two types of textures in the metallic surface, which consisted on a rough surface with R_z of 100 μm , and on a knurled-like surface. Besides, three manufacturing processes of fiberglass and epoxy resin have been analyzed: 1) infusion lamination, 2) pre-preg lamination, and 3) structural adhesive bonding. Finally, steel-glass/epoxy bonding quality were evaluated by tensile and fatigue tests of the structure.

Characteristics of Air Coated Abrasive Suspension Jets Under Submerged Condition

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ABSTRACT

A ventilated sheathed nozzle for producing abrasive suspension jets (ASJs) has been developed as a means of extending the effective standoff distance and improving the cutting capabilities under submerged conditions. In the present investigation, submerged cutting tests are conducted with aluminum specimens at a jetting pressure of 30 MPa to clarify the effect of air flow rate on the cutting capability of ASJs. The nozzle diameter d used in the tests is 1 mm and the length of the sheath L_{sheath} is 16 mm. Measurements of the flow rate distribution of water jets are also carried out at a jetting pressure of 10 MPa in order to investigate the flow structure of air coated ASJs under submerged conditions. Figure 1 shows variations of cutting depth h/d with the distance X/d for various air supply

rates. The cutting capability is found to improve for small standoff distances since air coated ASJs are formed downstream of the sheath exit.

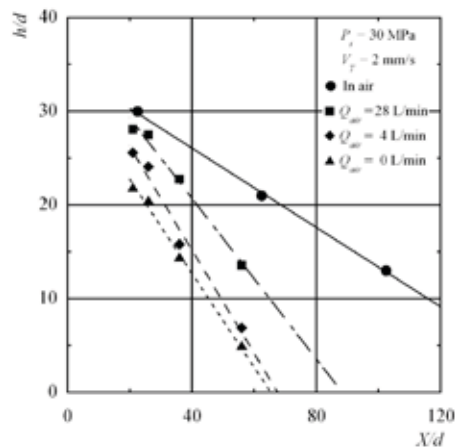


Fig. 1 Variations of cutting depth h/d with distance from nozzle exit X/d for various Q_{air}

Impact Force of High Pressure Waterjets

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ABSTRACT

One mechanism of a waterjet to penetrate or remove a material is the force of impact produced by the velocity and mass of the water reaching the surface. The mechanisms by which a material is cut or removed by a high pressure waterjet are also dependent on a particular material's properties. A considerable number of past tests have been conducted to determine and express the performance of a waterjet on particular

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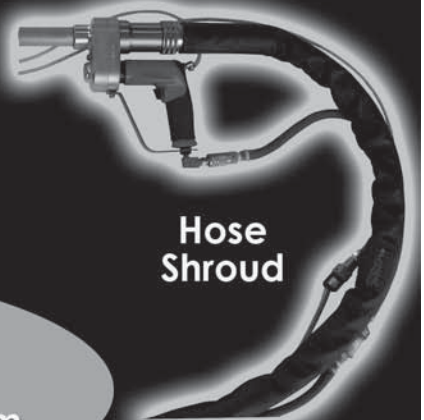
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materials. This paper presents the results of testing performed to measure the impact force of a waterjet as varied by jet quality, standoff distance, pressure, and flow rate. These data are then compared to past performance results obtained in various materials to determine the relationship of the force of impact to the overall performance in material removal.

Pumping Efficiency's Effect on Cutting Optimization

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ABSTRACT

Since the introduction of the abrasive waterjet cutting technology as a manufacturing process in the 1970s, there has been considerable research into predictive modeling of the cutting performance as a function of the various process parameters. The results of these research efforts have greatly expanded their capabilities and the ease of use in almost every sector of manufacturing. With the manufacturing industry continually striving for improving the overall operational efficiency of manufacturing technologies, improving the output performance versus the input operational costs is one of the primary goals. The purpose of this paper is to present a comparison of actual fixed pumping hardware assets to net cutting performance. As opposed to a parameter by parameter academic comparison, this comparison is based on various industrial pumping technologies, their input power, and their constraints on process parameter selection, and the resulting cutting performance in terms of costs per unit length of cutting. This analysis will help manufacturing organizations better assess the various available

technology options in choosing the best solution for their needs.

Refractory Removal by High Pressure Waterjet

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ABSTRACT

The removal of refractory from lines and vessels in the petrochemical industry is necessary for inspection, repair, maintenance, and replacement. The small spaces and difficulty of access have otherwise limited the methods of removal to manual labor with handheld chipping hammers. This allows only the limited power and force that an individual can support, while exposing these workers to the hazards of silica dust, extreme noise, vibration, and physically exhausting labor in a confined space.

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than manual methods. This paper presents the results of multiple tests to define the key operating parameters for the successful removal of several refractory types with high pressure water, the possible rates of removal, and other considerations necessary for the successful execution of field work.

Removal of a Failed Coating System from a High-rise Using Automated UHP Water Jets

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ABSTRACT

The paper documents the removal of a failed coating system from the exterior of a 54 story building in the Midwest. The removal was accomplished through the use of UHP water jet tools. Other removal processes were considered, and some were able to meet required production rates, but none could address the unique issues that an urban setting offers. Thousands of pedestrians and automobiles passed by the work site every day, and there was zero tolerance for paint residue or excessive noise.

The key elements in the success of this project was the ability to deliver UHP water through a customized delivery

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system to the work site nearly 50 stories overhead. In addition, a filtration system allowed recirculation of the use of water.

Robot-assisted Displacement Osteotomy by the Abrasive Waterjet – Concept and Technical Realization

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ABSTRACT

The displacement osteotomy is an operative method for the load relieving of pre-damaged joints through the correction of skeleton-caused, abnormal displacement of the leg axes. For this purpose, the tibia or femoral bone is cut through and fixed in a mechanical and physiological reasonable position. Conventional cutting techniques used in osteotomy today implicate physiological disadvantages like the denaturation of bone caused by heat transmission from the tool. Regarding a short healing time and an exact positioning of the cutting contour, the use of an automatable, cold cutting process is preferable.

For the preparation of clinical application, an experimental operating room was set up. For physiological reasons, the AWIJ process was adapted with an ingested magnesium suspension. The tool guiding was managed through an industrial robot, controlled through an optical navigation system. The soft tissue protection could be managed through a self-developed jet absorber. Finally, a focal dome osteotomy cut could be carried out. ■



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Lorant Keseru

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Prior to joining OMAX, Keseru worked as a purchasing manager where he played a pivotal role in procurement, supplier and customer development, and negotiation. As such, he successfully planned, organized, directed, controlled and evaluated the company's purchasing activities. Keseru has an electrical engineering degree from BMF – Kandó Kálmán College Electric engineering faculty, Székesfehérvár, Hungary.

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