

DATA SHEET

FLEXIBLE RISER/PIPE INSPECTION MEC - HUG[™] PIPECRAWLER



This document is composed to assist our clients and the supply chain with a high-level understanding of the benefits and services associated with our Flexible Riser/Pipe Inspection capabilities using the MEC-HugTM PipeCrawler.



























FLEXIBLE RISER/PIPE INSPECTION MEC-HUGTM PIPECRAWLER



The MEC-Hug[™] PipeCrawler is a sophisticated self-crawling inspection system able to scan in both axial and circumferential directions. It has been developed to provide a reliable and technically advanced inspection solution for flexible risers and flexible pipes at their working locations while accommodating the various degrees of wire angle structures.

The MEC-FIT[™] flexible riser inspection technique combines direct current magnetic field and eddy current field to allow a deeper penetration into the various layers to detect single or multiple wire damages.

The MEC-FIT[™] technique not only enables the selection of the flexible riser layers to be inspected but allows the optimisation of inspection for a specific layer from which a defect signal is received.

The capabilities of the MEC-FIT[™] technique are:

- Fast external scanning with electromagnetic field penetrating into 3 wire layers.
- Detection of cracks, pitting corrosion and general corrosion in single wire and multiple wires.
- 🙆 Detection of wire misalignment and wire gaps.
- ✓ Signal separation in layers, defects and wire gaps.
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- Scanning in axial direction for wire angle <37° and scanning in circumferential direction for wire angle >37°.
- ✓ No couplant or annulus flooding is required for the inspection which minimises the risk of damage to the inner layers of the flexible risers.

MEC-HUG[™] PIPECRAWLER

Deployed vertically or horizontally by ROV, the MEC-Hug[™] PipeCrawler embraces the flexible risers of flexible pipes and moves on its own through the splash zone, driven by its hydraulic powered motor, while performing the external inspection at a speed of up to 10m/min.

The MEC-Hug[™] PipeCrawler enables the deployment via work-class or inspection-class ROV and is capable of scanning in both the axial and circumferential direction to accommodate the wire angle structure of the flexible risers or flexible pipes.

The signal data with encoded position details is transferred in real time via the umbilical to the inspection computer located at the ROV control unit on the support vessel or on the installation to provide instantaneous inspection results.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

DEPLOYMENT	
External Deployment	Vertical or horizontal Deployable by work-class
CAPABILITIES	
Wall Thickness Range	Up to 3 wire layers of the fle Up to 26mm for general rise
Coating Thickness Range	Up to 12mm
Diameter Range	4" to 20"
Depth Threshold for Detection	Corrosion defects from 10% Wall loss cracks from 1mm
Accuracy	Dependent on configuratio
Scanning Capability	< 37° wire angle structure – > 37° wire angle structure –
Defect Separation	Different layer defects will
DIMENSIONS	
Depth Rating	1000 metre water depth (de
Weight	215kg in air, approx. 7kg in v
Sizes (L x W x H)	1,200mm x 1,000mm x 510m
Sensors	8 sensors in circumference Scanner head rotation to co
Magnetisation Unit	Permanent magnet
Camera	2x
Umbilical	Umbilical length dependent
ACCESS REQUIREMENTS	
Required Clearance	Dependent on the scanner required to allow for axial s
Coating	Coating is not required to b
Marine Growth	Heavy marine growth is req with separate or integrated
REPORTING	
Reporting Software	InnospectIT Software - Ver
	Recorded inspection data i

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and inspection-class ROV

exible riser er pipe

% wire thickness depth

on, typically 5%-10% of detected defect wall loss

- scanning in axial direction - scanning in circumferential direction

be defined by magnetic field variation

eeper rating on request)

water (depending on buoyancy)

nm

with 180mm scan width

over full circumference

t on ROV

size; from 700mm to 1,000mm of external space is scanning.

e removed for the inspection

quired to be cleaned off, offered by Sonomatic either advanced cleaning system.

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in high resolution d-base format is transferred by data



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