

Engineered antivibration and sealing systems R&D & Innovation – Blue Technologies



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Facts & Figures

Offices and Warehouse: Rho (MI), Italia

Year of establishment: 1968

Ownership: Fatigati Family

Employees: 32

Subsidiaries: 1

Turnover 2022: ≈ € 10,0 mio













Quality Management System











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Corporate Social Responsibility











Focus on Customers' technical needs

Technical and application engineering consultancy for the design, development, production and supply of systems and components for the isolation and damping of vibrations and impacts in any type of industrial application, in addition to some specialized civil environments, and fluid sealing systems and components, also with a certification of materials and process systems









Technical and application know-how Antivibration systems and Blue Technologies for shipbuilding industry





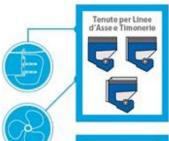


Technical and application know-how Sealing systems and solutions for shipbuilding industry

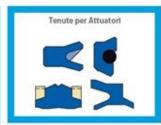


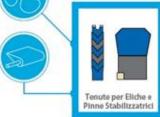




















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Preserving marine environment







Given that our commitment to mitigate the vibro-acoustic disturbance originating from on-board auxiliary machinery has the positive implication of reducing the introduction of energy into the marine environment (noise and vibrations), the attention to preserve the marine environment has always been one of our priorities, in accordance with Sustainable Development Goal 14 of the ONU 2030 Agenda.

In fact, not only are we Supporters since the beginning of the One Ocean Foundation, but we have developed innovative systems to avoid antifouling treatments, notoriously polluting, and acoustic shieldings in 100% recyclable material.











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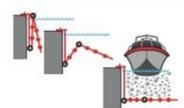












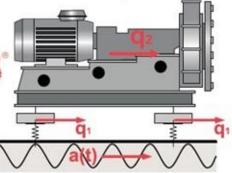
Sonicboat* e Bubbleboat* - Tecnologie antifouling, in linea con l'obietivo Sustainable Development Goal 14 dell'Agenda ONU 2030.



Siamo partner di Manta Aircraft nello sviluppo di HEV/STOL (Hybrid Electric Vertical Short TakeOff and Landing).



Dispositivo Antivibrante con Fissaggio a Resistenza Sismica.







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Schermature Acustiche per il Settore Nautico Metalow Frequency & MetaPanel Absorbing

NoViDamp



NoViDamp* metatecnologie innovative brevettate per isolare le vibrazioni in ambito civile, industriale e infrastrutturale.

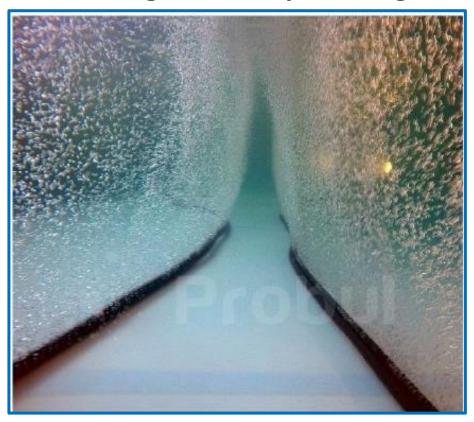








Technical and application know-how Blue Technologies for shipbuilding industry













Background



"Fouling" is a natural phenomenon that emerges with the formation of an invisible biofilm, which is rapidly colonized – according to light, temperature and nutrient richness of the water - by parasitic organisms. Unfortunately, the fairing of a boat shell is critical because a smooth hull offers less resistance to movement, increasing boat speed and reducing its fuel consumption (1 to 2 mm of algae or organisms fixed on a shell causes a 15% loss of speed).













Negative consequences for the marine environment (and beyond...)



The boat's fairing maintenance is something that cannot be avoided in order to protect it from corrosion (for metals), musty and rot (for woods), osmosis (for plastics) and especially from aquatic organisms' settlement, which, if passively transported to different microclimatic environments, could also easily colonise them invasively.













Negative consequences for the marine environment (and beyond...)



Ten's thousands tons of extremely toxic "antivegetative" coating (or anti-fouling paint) are used every year to protect the boat hull from sea organisms (algae, shellfish...). Remember that each kg of antifouling paint normally contains 70 g of biocides, of which 1 g is enough to pollute several m3 of seawater, and also that the necessary PPE must be worn as it is toxic.

Please Note: the EU has banned the use of Biocides since December 2017 and, finally, Glyphosate since 2019. However, any new 'anti-fouling' paint will hardly be effective, if not toxic.













Costs for shipowners

Steps to follow for a new fairing:

- Boat towage with a crane or other suitable means;
- ➤ Hull cleaning from all shellfish and algae with a high-pressure cleaner;
- Fairing sanding with a suitable method;
- Application of a base layer;
- First layer of antifouling paint (to protect against shellfish colonies);
- Second layer of antifouling paint..



For a 45-feet boat cost is estimated to be around € 2,000 ≈ € 3,000, while for a 90-feet superyacht cost rises to about € 8,000 ≈ € 10,000, and for professional ships it is approximately several ten's thousands euros.

And this is done at varying intervals (one, two or three years) depending on the effective period spent in port.





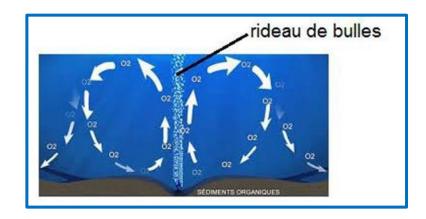


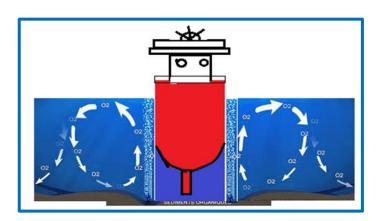




BubbleBoat®solution: operating principle

BubbleBoat® system, in all its variants, injects micro-bubbles of air directly into the water. As they rise up along the hull to the surface, they create an impenetrable wall for marine micro-organisms, producing an effective and natural protective shield around the hull of the boat. Furthermore, the consequent forced introduction of oxygen helps to restore the pH value of the water to normal, which benefits the marine environment. The sketches below show that the wall of micro-bubbles is not penetrated by large or small micro-organisms.

















The version placed on board consists of a transportable kit, made up of 1 air pump with a flow of about 3000l/hour (with a power source not exceeding 12/24 VOLT and, so can also be powered by mini wind turbines and/or solar panels), directed to a porous pipe (with micro holes) to obtain total coverage of the immersed part of the hull. It is particularly suitable for pleasure boats with an overall length of $< 10 \approx 14$ metres, because the owner and/or captain can deploy it under the hull when he decides to stop for a long time in port or at anchor, and then raise it on board and roll it up before leaving









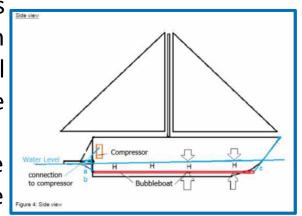




Boats BubbleBoat® solution: installation

Sketch from top of the boat RED BubbleBoat hose Straps - Couplers a, b, c Figure 3: Sketch from top of the boat

In the placed on board version, the device should be deployed in the water around the hull, and then positioned below and parallel to the waterline, and as close as possible to the keel, and should be held in this position thanks to three special rubber straps (the first one tied to the bow, the others to the two ends of the stern). It should be noted that the installation of the straps and the Figure 4: Side view adjustment of BubbleBoat® tube must be carried out with the compressor running, to avoid bending the tube.









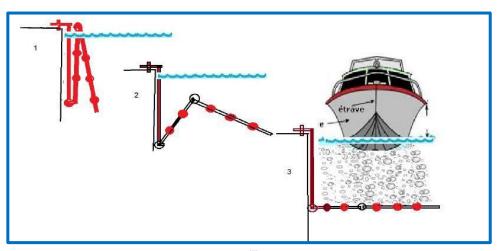


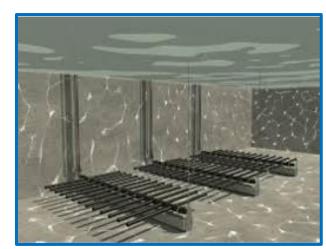


Yachting BubbleBoat® solution: overview

In yachting version the system is composed of at least 1 air pump to be sized according to the number and length of the moorings, and alternately:

a) by special telescopic arms to be fixed to the quay at each berth (which can be motorised if necessary), in order to be deployed underneath the hull when the owner and/or the captain decide to stop for a long time in port (see figure and photo below);









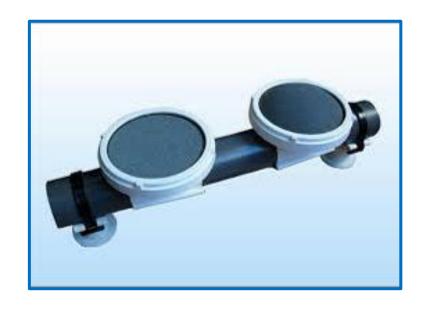






Yachting BubbleBoat® solution: overview

b) by special diffusers to be fixed to the ground at each berth, so as to release the micro-bubbles of air below the hull when the owner and/or captain decide to stay in port for a long time (see figure and photo below).









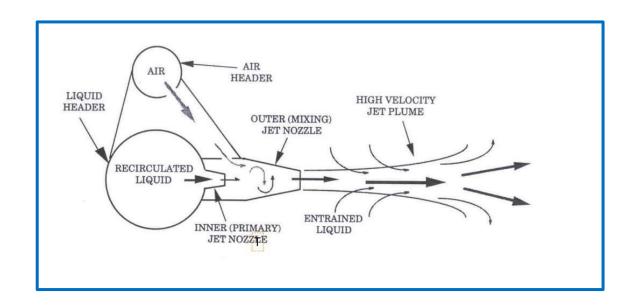








In commercial ports version, the system consists of an obviously more articulated and complex set-up, with at least 1 air pump to be sized according to the number and length of the moorings, and special collectors and aeration nozzles permanently fixed to the ground (see diagram below for the operating principle).





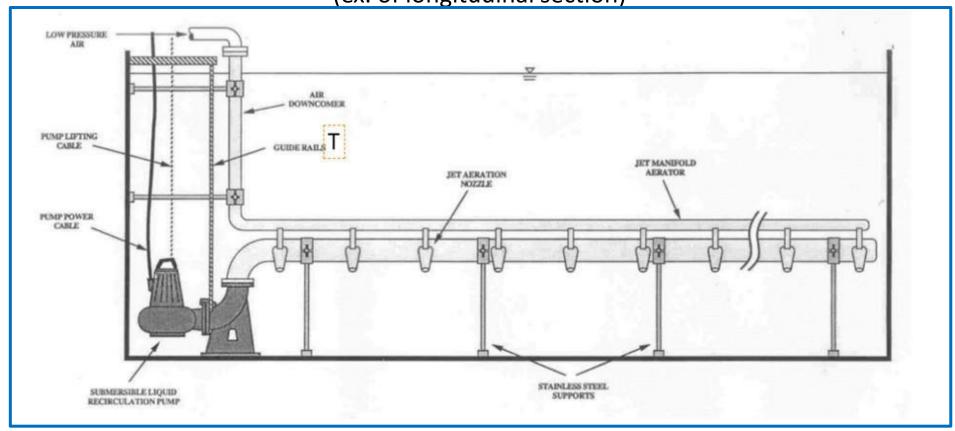








(ex. of longitudinal section)





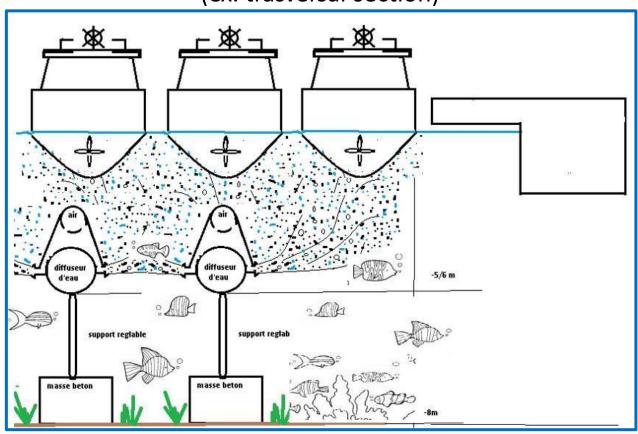








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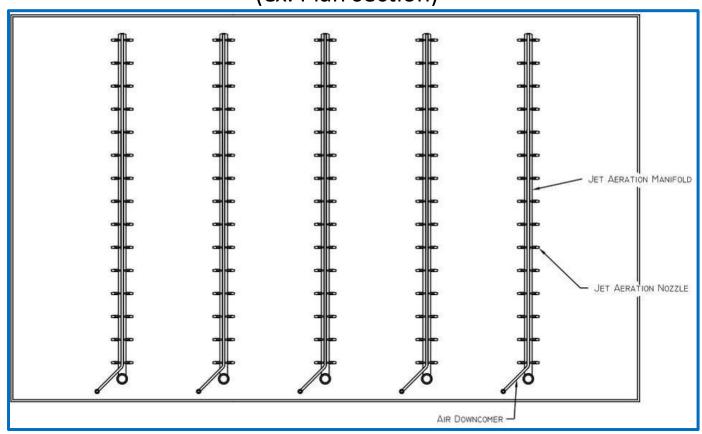








(ex. Plan section)













(See photo 1)













(See photo 2)









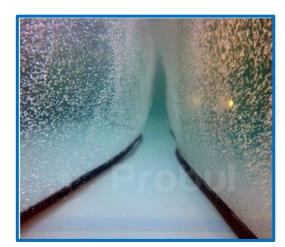




BubbleBoat®: the green solution

Not only does it solve the problem of fouling without polluting, but especially in the yachting and commercial port version, where fauna is deprived of oxygenation due to stagnant water in the harbour under the sun, aggravated by discharges from ships and superyachts, even if they are stationary for long periods, which cause intense pollution, the BubbleBoat® system, active for a few hours a day or continuously, helps oxygenate the water against pollution and contributes to molecular renewal.

















BubbleBoat® solution: benefits

- ✓ Fuel-saving, as the boat is no longer held back by a hull full of parasites.
- ✓ Eco-friendly: it does not damage sea life, fish or people, and since even and especially in the version for marinas and commercial ports the pumps can be powered by renewable energy sources (e.g. photovoltaic panels), the combined effect of the port water oxygenation and the use of renewable energies would be a concrete proof of the operator's environmental commitment, in line with SDG 14 Life Below Water of the ONU 2030 Sustainable Development Goals and with the investments planned for the ecological transition and financed by the famous Next Generation EU, and an undeniable competitive advantage (ESG Environmental, Social, Governance -).

It makes no noise during use, not even at night, and if necessary the installations could be insulated with our innovative NoViDamp® sound shields, made of 100% regenerated PVC.











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