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Hello deep-sea science community,

Like many of you, I am getting ready to head to New Orleans for the first in-person [Ocean Sciences Meeting](#) in four years. There will be many opportunities to engage with the science enabled by the National Deep Submergence Facility vehicles *Alvin*, *Jason*, and *Sentry*. We've put together the following guide so you can make the most of your time and connect with others who study the deep ocean.

Come to DeSSC.

The UNOLS Deep Submergence Science Committee is meeting on Sunday, February 18, at Loyola University of New Orleans, just a short trolley ride from the French Quarter. This group of scientists supports and advises the operators and funding agencies of NDSF, and they also have a track for early career scientists and new vehicle users. You can participate in person or virtually. [Details here.](#)

Learn about science enabled by NDSF Vehicles.

Hear from scientists who use our vehicles, engineers developing tools and code for science missions, and our data team, to name a few of the official Ocean Sciences presenters.

- **Our working list of talks and posters is [here](#).**
- **Let us know if we've missed anything. [Drop us a line](#)** with the link and we'll add yours to the list.

Check out the NEW cruise planning and training sections of the NDSF website.

We've updated the NDSF website to streamline information for our users. A major focus is improved guidance on the [pre-cruise planning process](#). We've also developed training materials in preparation for going to sea with each vehicle.

Don't forget to tag us!

If you'll be posting on social media about science enabled by our vehicles at #OSM24, make sure to add #NSFfunded and #HOValvin, #ROVJason, or #AUVSentry to your posts.

Looking forward to seeing you all!

Best regards,

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