
WELCOME TO THE WHOI CORPORATION

A HANDBOOK FOR NEW MEMBERS



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WELCOME

Welcome to the Corporation of the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI) and thank you for your commitment! As a new Corporation Member, you are now part of a strong network of volunteer leaders and philanthropists who are loyal “insiders” and ambassadors. The Corporation’s mission is to provide private philanthropic and other support for WHOI as the world’s leading independent ocean science research, engineering, and education institution.

This handbook was created to provide you with useful information about WHOI, its science and history, and the important role you play as a supporter and an ambassador. We are glad to have you aboard and deeply grateful for your commitment to WHOI.



YOUR ROLE AS A CORPORATION MEMBER

Corporation Members play a key role in realizing the promise inherent in WHOI's mission of understanding the ocean.

All Members share a common loyalty to WHOI as a leading global research institution. They devote their time and demonstrate their commitment through personal financial support; share a willingness to represent the institution in their networks; and have an important voice in WHOI's affairs, although they have no fiduciary or management responsibilities.

Corporation Members are full participants in the intellectual life of the institution. These devoted WHOI supporters serve as ambassadors for the institution, promoting its identity, mission, and standards of excellence by sharing time, talent, and personal resources according to individual means. They work to increase external recognition, as well, and forge new connections that help sustain and increase both public and private support for the institution.

Every Member's commitment is critically important to the institution's freedom and ability to initiate and develop new areas of solutions-based science. You are asked to lead by example in the areas of advancement, ambassadorship, and advice, as well as attend meetings and events.

ADVANCEMENT

As a Corporation Member, you will join the other Members in providing annual flexible financial support, enabling WHOI leadership to direct your funding where it is needed most. This flexible funding is critically important for supporting promising young scientists and accelerating the high-risk, high-reward initiatives that keep WHOI at the leading edge of science and innovation. We encourage you to place WHOI at the top of your philanthropic priorities and ask that you give generously within your means. Most Members

make an annual gift of \$10,000 or more toward unrestricted support. We also hope you will participate in the capital campaign by making a special stretch gift, which may include adding WHOI to your long-term estate planning.

AMBASSADORSHIP

WHOI strives to share its mission with the broadest audience possible. We ask all Members to help spread the word about who we are and what we do. You can participate by sharing information about WHOI research and events with friends and colleagues. If appropriate, you can work with WHOI to draft and place articles and op-eds in local papers or within your club newsletters.

We also encourage Members to help recruit new Corporation Members. WHOI has established a National Chapter, as well as local networks or Chapters in Boston, New York, Dallas/Houston, and Palm Beach, Florida. Chapter events are an excellent way to introduce new people to WHOI's fascinating research. As a Member, you are invited to attend all Chapter events with a guest. At times, it may be appropriate for you to host either a special WHOI event or one of the local Chapter events. These events provide you and WHOI with a platform to showcase WHOI's people and their discoveries and a way to inspire friends to engage with us. Please note, however, that since we hold approximately 60 events every year, it may not be possible to add additional events, even though Members have suggested them.

ADVICE

Corporation Members devote time, attention, and resources to WHOI. Members participate in meetings where information central to WHOI's programmatic and financial conditions is exchanged and Member input is very much appreciated. Those with expertise in specialized fields (e.g., IT, marketing, venture capital and commercialization, strategic philanthropy, finance, and risk management) may be called upon to advise WHOI in these areas.

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Board and Corporation Members meet together at semiannual Joint Meetings in Woods Hole. Corporation Members are expected to attend all Joint Meetings, either in person or virtually, and are encouraged to attend Chapter and WHOI Associates events that will further connect them to the WHOI community.

WHOI'S MISSION, VISION, AND VALUES

The biggest single force in shaping Vision 2023 is Earth itself.

Global population has quadrupled since WHOI was founded in 1930, and the natural world upon which we all depend is changing in profound and still unknown ways. These ocean, climate, and ecosystem changes pose risks to human sustainability. The next decade will define not only the fate of WHOI intellectually and financially, but also reputationally in terms of how we will rise to meet these grand challenges. The stakes have never been higher. The opportunity for impact has never been greater. **This is our time.**

Our Core

Science, engineering, and marine operations to understand how the ocean and Earth system works

Independence

Freedom of an institution to pursue new ideas, big questions, and lead discovery

Rigor

Unwavering commitment to **rigor** and **integrity**

Innovation

Ambition, innovation, and creativity brought to solving hard problems in ocean science and engineering

Representative

Research community with a broad range of backgrounds & perspectives to drive creativity, sound decision-making, & effective problem solving

Breadth

Pure and applied research across all ocean science disciplines, with **great breadth** and **global reach**

Courage

Ability to take on challenges of **extraordinary scale and complexity**

Excellence

Shared commitment to excellence and community across all staff, regardless of position

Education

Education leadership at all levels of society

Ocean science and technology for the global good

VISION 2030

We apply WHOI's distinctive capabilities to advance ocean science for the global good at a pace commensurate with the urgency of challenges ahead. Investing in staff excellence and research capabilities, we accelerate innovation, and engage the world.

OUR MISSION

The Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution is dedicated to research and education to advance understanding of the ocean and its interaction with the Earth system, and to communicating this understanding for the benefit of society.

WORKPLACE AND REPRESENTATION

We are committed to cultivating a representative, welcoming, & respectful workplace, free from discrimination & harassment, where all individuals are valued and supported. By bringing together people with a broad range of backgrounds & perspectives, we strengthen collaboration, spark innovation, & enhance our ability to address complex challenges.

PRIORITY THEMES

INVEST IN EXCELLENCE

- Recruit and retain the best talent across all ranks
- Commit to independence, scholarly excellence, innovation, and leadership
- Build an environment that supports the success of all people, at every stage of their career
- Invest strategically in hiring, infrastructure, and labs
- Make WHOI the most exciting, capable, and relevant ocean research institution in the world

LEAD INNOVATION

- Be courageous
- Accelerate basic and use-inspired knowledge creation to pursue grand challenge research questions
- Provide new freedom for staff to collaborate, learn, explore new ideas
- Create collision spaces to foster interdisciplinary collaboration
- Build partnerships to amplify our impacts and capabilities

ENGAGE THE WORLD

- Build shared mission partnerships with academic, public- and private-sectors, international ocean policy communities
- Cultivate a culture of trust in evidence-based science by increasing the credibility, salience, and legitimacy of our science
- Invest in outreach, education, and policy efforts to amplify impact
- Increase participation in community-level and international science and policy
- Promote ocean science and technology for the global good

OCEAN RESEARCH, EXPLORATION, EDUCATION, AND MARINE POLICY

RESEARCH

WHOI maintains an unparalleled depth and breadth of expertise across a range of oceanographic research areas. Combining cutting-edge science and technology with seagoing expertise, WHOI scientists and engineers work collaboratively within and across six research departments to advance knowledge of the global ocean for the benefit of humanity and marine life. At the same time, they train future generations of ocean scientists and engineers and address problems that directly impact management of critical marine resources.

WHOI's specific areas of focus include:

- Technology and the future of ocean science
- Ocean and climate
- Marine microplastics
- The deep ocean
- Coral health
- Sea-level rise and the coastline
- Marine mammals
- Polar research
- The ocean twilight zone
- Oceans and human health

EXPLORATION

The WHOI dock and marine facility supports at-sea science for the global oceanographic community. The facility—home port to Navy-owned, National Science Foundation–supported, WHOI-operated research vessels *Neil Armstrong* and *Atlantis* and coastal research vessel *Tioga*—hosts numerous visiting oceanographic vessels. The facility also supports universities, government agencies, and private organizations who use it to mobilize and/or demobilize their research missions. Globally important programs currently served by WHOI’s at-sea science facilities include the Ocean Observatories Initiative (OOI), National Deep Submergence Facility (NDSF), Northeast U.S. Shelf Long-Term Ecological Research Project, and Ocean Twilight Zone Project.

EDUCATION

WHOI trains new ocean leaders, scientists, and engineers by providing access to many of the best minds in ocean science and to cutting-edge research facilities, as well as unparalleled access to the sea through its prestigious [MIT-WHOI PhD Program](#) in Ocean Science and Engineering. Other education programs serve ocean-curious undergraduates, such as the [WHOI Student Fellowship Program](#) for rising college seniors. K–12 students and teachers have their own special programs and resources, including the [\(O-STEAM\) Fellowship](#) program. The public can visit WHOI’s [Ocean Science Discovery Center](#) and register for free [behind-the-scenes tours](#) during the summer season.



MARINE POLICY

The Marine Policy Center (MPC) conducts social scientific research that integrates economics, policy analysis, and law with WHOI's basic research in ocean sciences. Broad areas of recent research include:

- Ecosystem-based conservation and management of living resources
- Dynamics of coupled natural and human systems
- Natural capital and ecosystem services
- Coastal and marine spatial planning and zoning
- Shoreline change and coastal resilience
- Coastal and marine natural hazards
- Economics of ocean observing systems
- Offshore energy development
- Oceans and human health

While MPC's research is based in rigorous academic disciplines, much of it is applied in nature and motivated by current national and international issues in coastal and marine resource conservation, as well as management and marine industries.



WHOI QUICK FACTS

Founded

1930

Location

[Woods Hole, Massachusetts](#), USA

Type of Organization

Independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit

Funding

Government grants and contracts, foundation and private donations, industry contracts

Departments and Divisions

[Six research departments](#) and more than 40 [centers](#) and [labs](#)

People

Approximately 950 employees, including more than 500 scientists, engineers, ship's crew, and technicians, plus some 130 MIT-WHOI Joint Program students

Academics

[Accredited by NEASC](#); PhD and MS degrees offered [in partnership with MIT](#); [postdoctoral](#), [undergraduate](#), [summer](#), and [guest student](#) programs; more than 1,000 alumni/ae, including many in leadership positions in ocean science and policy worldwide

Ships

Global Class research vessel [Atlantis](#), Ocean Class research vessel [Neil Armstrong](#), coastal vessel [Tioga](#), small boats

Underwater Vehicles

Human-occupied submersible [Alvin](#); remotely operated vehicle (ROV) [Jason](#)/[Medea](#); autonomous underwater vehicle (AUV) [Sentry](#); additional [hybrid ROVs](#), [AUVs](#), and [towed vehicles](#)

National Facilities

[National Deep Submergence Facility](#) (NDSF); National Ocean Sciences Accelerated Mass Spectrometer (NOSAMS); [Northeast National Ion Microprobe Facility](#) (NENIMF); [Ocean Bottom Seismic Instrument Center](#) (OBSIC); University-National Oceanographic Laboratory System (UNOLS)

Budget

\$330 million (unaudited)

Endowment

\$464 million (unaudited)

Trustees

33

Corporation Members

160+

OCEAN SCIENCE FOR THE GLOBAL GOOD

WHOI discoveries have led to important improvements in the environment, commerce, health, and national security.

Some of these contributions include:

- Designed and built the iconic human-occupied submersible *Alvin* and have continued to operate it for more than 50 years and 5,000 dives
- Led the exploration that discovered the first known hydrothermal vents
- Located the wrecks of the *Titanic*, the *San José* galleon, Air France 447, the *El Farro*, and many more
- Mounted rapid responses to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill and Fukushima tsunami and nuclear power disaster
- Joined NASA in the search for life on ocean worlds orbiting other planets
- Launched a new mission to understand and explore one of Earth's last great frontiers, the ocean twilight zone
- Provide ongoing leadership of the Ocean Observatories Initiative, a major research facility of the National Science Foundation that delivers real-time ocean data to scientists around the globe from a network of more than 800 instruments

A BRIEF HISTORY

Since 1930, WHOI scientists and engineers have helped revolutionize our knowledge about the ocean and its impact on our planet and on humanity. From the discovery of hydrothermal vents to the development of revolutionary ocean technology to the mapping of global ocean circulation, our research matters now more than ever before.

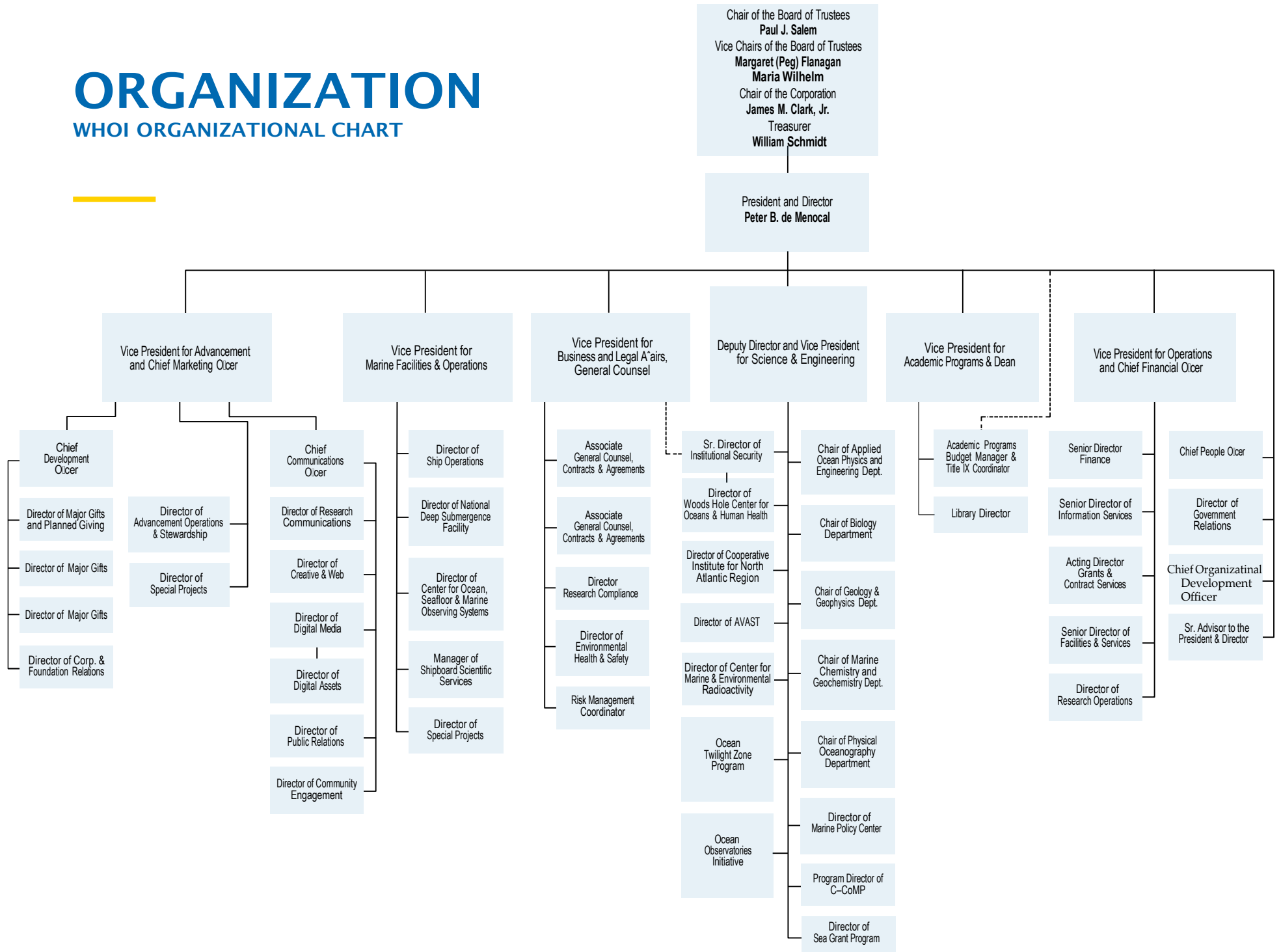
It wasn't until the late 19th century that the term "oceanography" was applied to the science of the sea. In 1927, a National Academy of Sciences committee concluded that it was time to "consider the share of the United States of America in a worldwide program of oceanographic research." Its recommendation for establishing a permanent independent research laboratory on the East Coast to "prosecute oceanography in all its branches" led to the founding of the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution in 1930.

A \$3 million grant from the Rockefeller Foundation supported the summer work of a dozen scientists, construction of a laboratory building, and commissioning of a research vessel, the 142-foot ketch *Atlantis*. WHOI grew to support significant defense-related research during World War II and later began a steady growth in staff, research fleet, and scientific stature. Over the years, WHOI scientists have made seminal discoveries about the ocean that have contributed to improving our commerce, health, national security, and quality of life.

Today, the WHOI community numbers over 1,000, including scientific and technical staff, ships' crew and officers, and a variety of scientific, service, and administrative support staff, as well as some 130 MIT-WHOI Joint Program students. All of these individuals contribute to a common goal: to advance research and understanding of the ocean and its role in shaping and sustaining the planet. It is not a mission that WHOI takes lightly, now or at any time over the course of its history. The ocean is too important to all of us.

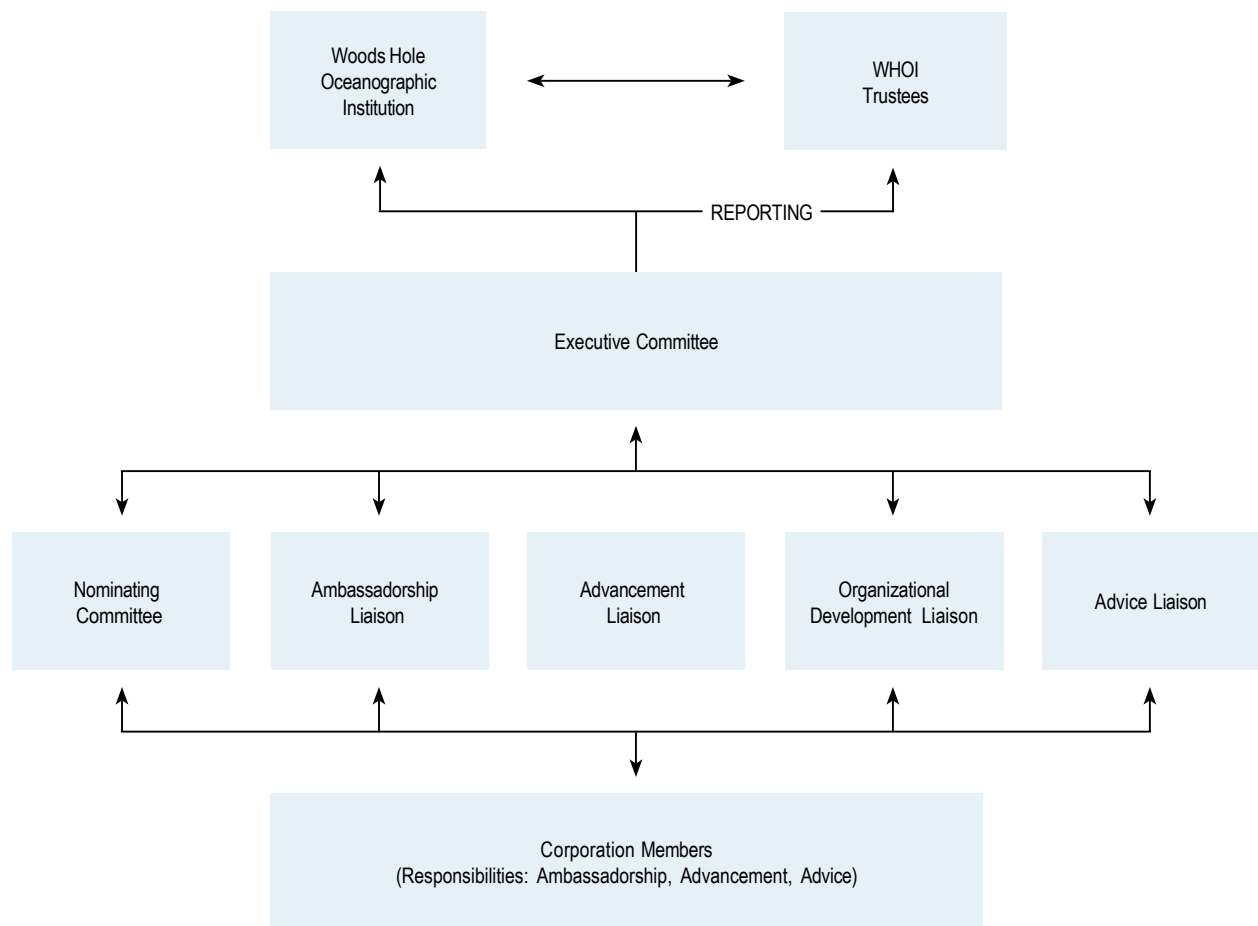
ORGANIZATION

WHOI ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



ORGANIZATION

WHOI CORPORATION



FUNDING

HOW WHOI IS FUNDED

WHOI is a “soft money” organization; its research support is derived from diverse sources, and scientists and engineers submit proposals to fund projects based on their original ideas.

Government grants. The primary source of WHOI’s funding is government grants, with approximately 85 percent of WHOI’s budget coming from government grants and contracts. These funds are awarded through peer-reviewed proposals written by WHOI Principal Investigators (PIs). Grants vary widely, from tens of thousands to millions of dollars and may fund a single investigator for a few months or a team of a dozen or more investigators for several years. Often, WHOI investigators develop government projects with scientists from other institutions.

Private philanthropy. Although WHOI receives significant government funding, private philanthropy in the form of flexible dollars is essential for support of the high-risk, high-reward research that can accelerate and transform ocean science—research that federal funding often does not cover. Additionally, philanthropy helps support talented young scientists at a pivotal point in their careers. The best part: for every \$1 invested, we leverage \$8 to \$10 of private and public funding.

INTERNAL FUNDING PROGRAMS

Overhead. Overhead functions for the institution’s operation are funded from a percentage deducted from the grants and contracts written by scientists and engineers, and from private gifts and endowment income. We carefully calculate the percentage allocated to overhead, so as not to jeopardize the investigators’ chances of having their proposals accepted.

Investment in Science Program Support (ISP). When investigators are between grants or have not received enough grant money to fund their salaries, WHOI provides support to tide them over to the next source of funding. Funding for ISP comes in part from WHOI’s flexible-dollar budget.

Catalyst Program. In 2016, WHOI established the Catalyst Program as a means of incubating leading-edge ocean research and development. This internal funding vehicle is an open competition for all WHOI scientific and senior technical staff members. Funded projects have leveraged additional outside funding and attracted international attention.

Catalyst projects include the Ocean Twilight Zone (OTZ) Project, Exploring Ocean Worlds, the Reef Solutions Initiative, and the Marine Microplastics Innovation Accelerator.

Office for Technology Transfer (OTT). WHOI's specialized laboratories and facilities, and its sophisticated scientific and engineering staff, provide rich resources for industry and government organizations. OTT's mission is to facilitate the global use of ocean-derived innovations. It covers intellectual property protection and technology transfer activities at WHOI, supporting scientists, engineers, research staff, and students in the translation of their ideas into useful products and services.

OTT also facilitates commercial spin-offs of technology developed by WHOI scientists and engineers. For example, EOM Offshore, a new company set up to manufacture, deploy, and maintain whale-detection moorings, was developed in collaboration with researchers from Cornell University. The moorings alert ship operators to the presence of whales in shipping lanes leading to major ports in the Northeast. They answer a pressing need by shipping companies to comply with a host of new regulatory provisions protecting marine mammals and are a key component in efforts to save the endangered North Atlantic right whale. They also promise numerous other applications for such purposes as coastal defense and security. Additional WHOI inventions have been used to track, monitor, and sample from midwater oil spills such as the Deepwater Horizon spill in 2010.

UNIQUE PARTNERSHIP

Propeller, a climate-tech fund that invests in and builds ocean-climate companies, has directed its inaugural \$100 million fund to support founders looking to address the climate crisis by advancing planet-saving, ocean-based science and technology solutions. Propeller is distinguished by its focus on the ocean and a unique partnership with WHOI. This collaboration provides access to the brightest minds and intellectual property in ocean science and innovation, ensuring that the most promising, scientifically sound oceanic solutions receive the mission-critical capital, tools, and resources required to attract private-sector capital and move to scale.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS FOR NEW MEMBERS

WHEN AND WHERE ARE MEETINGS HELD?

The Board and Corporation meet together semiannually in May and October in Woods Hole, Massachusetts. The Trustees also meet separately in February and July, at a location that varies.

WHEN ARE THE JOINT MEETINGS AND WHAT EVENTS SHOULD I ATTEND?

The Joint Meetings are held on two consecutive days in May and October. Most committees meet on Thursday, followed by a cocktail reception and dinner on Thursday evening. The Trustees meet separately and The Board and Corporation meet jointly on Friday morning. Spouses/partners and guests are welcome to attend the meeting and any activities associated with the semiannual meetings. They are then welcome to join the second half of the Corporation meeting for a science presentation. Since schedules are subject to change, you will be emailed a detailed invitation for each Joint Meeting in advance.

AM I EXPECTED TO ATTEND ANYTHING ELSE?

As a Corporation Member, you are an ambassador for the institution. You are encouraged to attend any and all events that will further connect you with the WHOI community and the many facets of ocean science. Because the majority of our Members do not live in Woods Hole, regional Chapter events are often held in Boston, on the Cape and Islands, and in New York, Dallas, Palm Beach, Florida, and occasionally the San Francisco Bay Area. We encourage you to attend the events that are in your home area and even to consider hosting such an event. These gatherings are excellent opportunities to introduce your friends to WHOI.

WHO ELSE IS ON THE CORPORATION?

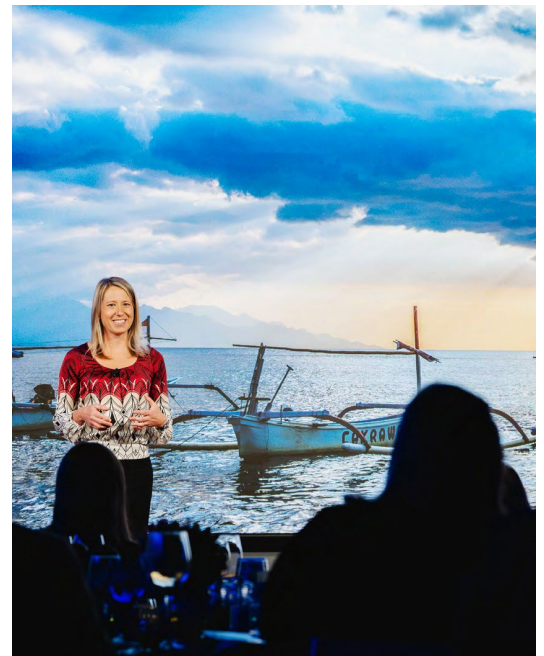
All Corporation Members and Trustees receive a Member Directory. Additionally, a list of Corporation Members can be found in a password protected area of the WHOI Corporation website. You will receive instructions for accessing the site during your new Member onboarding. Please remember that personal and contact information is confidential and should never be used or distributed, especially not for the purpose of solicitation of any kind.

HOW CAN I NOMINATE A NEW CORPORATION MEMBER?

If you know a professional with interests in the ocean, marine life, climate change, or the environment whom you would like to nominate for Corporation membership, please see the How to Recruit a New Corporation Member section of this handbook on pp. 22.

ARE THERE ANY TRADITIONS THAT I SHOULD KNOW ABOUT?

Corporation Members share a strong tradition of financial support of the institution and take pride in early commitment and 100 percent participation in both the annual fund and ongoing capital campaigns. Please place the institution at the top of your list of philanthropic priorities.



ARE SPOUSES/PARTNERS OR FRIENDS EVER INCLUDED?

Yes. You are encouraged to bring your spouse/partner and any friends who have expressed an interest in learning more about WHOI. Prior to each meeting, you will be asked to submit a form that indicates the names of any guests you would like to bring. Partners and guests are invited to attend the May and October Joint Meetings. Additionally, your partner and guest are welcome to attend tours and special presentations that highlight WHOI's fascinating work.

WHAT DO PEOPLE WEAR TO THE MEETINGS?

The term "business casual" is a good way to describe the dress at our meetings. Think sport coat, sweater, or jacket with khakis, comfortable slacks, or skirt. If specific attire is required, we will let you know.

WHERE CAN I STAY IN OR NEAR WOODS HOLE WHILE ATTENDING THE MEETINGS?

There are several small hotels in the area that offer a discounted rate for WHOI Members. A list of these hotels will be included in the advance-notice materials sent to you before each meeting. There are also many B&B options in the area, about which staff can advise you.

ARE THERE RULES OF ETIQUETTE OF WHICH I SHOULD BE AWARE?

Please be aware that information shared at our business meetings is confidential. But please feel free to share the knowledge and insights you gain from our science presentations.

I DON'T RECOGNIZE EVERYONE—WHO ARE ALL THESE PEOPLE SITTING IN ON THE MEETINGS?

Joint Meetings include senior administrators and often members of the WHOI scientific and engineering staff. Those scientists, engineers, students, and others who are on the agenda to make a presentation will attend some or all of the meeting. Everyone at the meetings will wear a name tag, which will help you in learning and remembering names and identifying their positions at WHOI.

SHOULD I PARTICIPATE IN MEETINGS?

You are here because we value your experience, insight, and perspective. Your experience will likely allow you to see connections, similarities, and parallels that the rest of us don't, and you should feel free to add these insights or raise considerations where others have not. Your orientation materials will enable you to better understand some of the institutional

background. It is not unusual, however, to require some time to digest the substantial amount of data available before each meeting and to become accustomed to the technical language and acronyms used by ocean scientists. Should you feel the need to bridge a knowledge gap, feel free to speak with a Corporation Member for additional background.

HOW DO I FIND OUT MORE ABOUT WHAT IS GOING ON AROUND WHOI?

You will be sent frequent emails containing important updates. You will also hear regularly from the Associates office. You will automatically receive *Oceanus* magazine, available both in print and online. Additionally, all new Members receive the weekly e-newsletter *Ocean Insights*, an overview of recent WHOI science, discoveries, and news stories about our work. Reading about WHOI is great, but the best way to learn about our work is to visit us in Woods Hole to see ocean science in action! Contact Assistant Director of Volunteer Leadership JeanneMarie Borgese, at 508-289-3218 or jeannemarie.borgese@whoi.edu to schedule a tour of our Woods Hole laboratories and docks.

WHAT IF I HAVE OTHER QUESTIONS?

As part of your onboarding, you will be paired with a knowledgeable, experienced Corporation Member who will serve as your mentor, should you need one. That individual will contact you shortly after you join the Corporation. You can also contact Assistant Director of Volunteer Leadership JeanneMarie Borgese at 508-289-3218 or jeannemarie.borgese@whoi.edu.



RECRUITING NEW CORPORATION MEMBERS

The WHOI Corporation is a vibrant community of welcoming members who support the mission of Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution—the world’s premier independent organization dedicated to ocean research, technology, and education—while fostering learning and camaraderie. Current WHOI Corporation Members and Trustees are encouraged to identify new Corporation Member candidates and connect them with WHOI.

SOME QUESTIONS THAT MAY HELP YOU IDENTIFY A POTENTIAL CANDIDATE:

- Has the individual attended a WHOI event or tour?
- Does the individual display a genuine interest in WHOI’s mission to explore, discover, and understand the ocean?
- Is there a fit between the individual’s competencies and WHOI’s need for advancement, ambassadorship, and advice? If so, what is the nature of that fit?
- Does the individual have the means and willingness to make WHOI a philanthropic priority?
- Are you willing to provide a reference letter as part of their membership application?
- Have they been introduced to a member of the WHOI Development Department staff?

CORPORATION MEMBER NOMINATING PROCESS

Once a potential candidate is identified, the connecting Corporation Member, Trustee, or Life Trustee should take the following steps:

1. Send that individual the Making Waves for the Global Good brochure.
2. If the potential candidate is aligned with what they read in the brochure, the connecting Corporation or Trustee can request that the candidate fill out the online Corporation Member Application Form. Please send them this link:
<https://go.whoiedu/corpnomform>
After the form is completed and submitted, the applicant will be classified as a new Corporation Member candidate.
3. If you are the applicant's connector, WHOI Development staff will contact you to request a short letter of support.
4. The candidate will be contacted by the Corporation's Nominating Committee to advance the nominating process. Development staff will work with the Nominating Committee to vet the candidate. Nominating Committee members will prepare a brief written summary of their conversations with the candidate, along with a recommendation of whether to proceed with nomination.

NEW MEMBER ELECTIONS AND ONBOARDING

Nominated and approved Corporation Members are elected at the spring and fall Joint Meetings. Prior to each meeting, the Nominating Committee will meet to compose a slate of candidates for discussion with the Chief Development Officer and for proposal to the Executive Committee. Following Executive Committee approval of the slate, candidates will officially become "Member-Elects" and be informed of the results. The new Members will be invited to attend the Joint Meeting and the Joint Meeting dinner. Following the formal vote at the meeting, WHOI will issue a press release, and the new Corporation Member will be onboarded by WHOI staff and assigned a mentor.

WHOI ACRONYMS

AOP&E

Applied Ocean Physics and
Engineering Department

APO

Academic Programs Office

AVAST

Autonomous Vehicle and
Sensor Technologies

BIO

Biology Department

G & G

Geology and Geophysics
Department

HOV

Human-Operated Vehicle

LOSOS

Laboratory for Ocean
Sensors and Observing
Systems (Home of OOI)

LTER

Long-Term Ecological
Research

MC & G

Marine Chemistry &
Geochemistry Department

MRF

Marine Research Facility

MVCO

Martha's Vineyard Coastal
Observatory

NDSF

National Deep
Submergence Facility

NOSAMS

National Ocean Sciences
Accelerator Mass
Spectrometry Facility

NSF

National Science
Foundation

ONR

Office of Naval Research

OOI

Ocean Observatories
Initiative

PO

Physical Oceanography
Department

REMUS

Remote Environmental
Monitoring Unit System

ROV

Remotely Operated Vehicle

UNOLS

University-National
Oceanographic Laboratory
System

OTZ

Ocean Twilight Zone

OVSN

Ocean Vital Signs Network

USEFUL WEBLINKS

[Corporation Member Portal for Member and Meeting Information](#)

Note: Some areas require you to log in. Please use the WHOI credentials you were assigned during new Corporation Member onboarding.

[Corporation Executive Committee](#)

Download the list of current members.

[Key Advancement Team Contacts](#)

Download the contact list.

[Vision 2030](#)

A bold new vision that is providing momentum for WHOI leadership and staff.

[New Corporation Member Application](#)

A link to our online New Member Form.

[WHOI Branding Website](#)

Everything you need to know about how to talk about WHOI, its mission, and science.

Username: boardandcorporation

Password: WHOIbranding

[People You May Meet at WHOI Meetings and Events](#)

[WHOI Leadership](#)

[Alvin Submersible Pilots](#)

[The Coral Reef Solutions Team](#)

[The Ocean Twilight Zone Team](#)

[MIT/WHOI Joint Program Graduate Students](#)

[The WHOI Development Team](#)

[Economic and Research Impacts](#)

A detailed overview WHOI's major contributions to innovation and the Massachusetts Blue Economy.

[Falmouth Chamber of Commerce](#)

WHOI is in Woods Hole, a village in the town of Falmouth. This website provides information about dining and lodgings in Falmouth and Woods Hole.

[Woods Hole Business Association](#)

A great overview of Woods Hole.



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