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Instrumentation/ Technology Development Projects – working documents/ files

National Institute of Oceanography – Institute of Oceanographic Sciences – Institute of Oceanographic Sciences, Deacon Laboratory – Southampton Oceanography Centre 1960s-1990s

These documents cover many aspects of instrumentation and technology development at the National Institute of Oceanography, (later became the Institute of Oceanographic Sciences, Institute of Oceanographic Sciences, Deacon Laboratory and the Southampton Oceanography Centre).

Norman Smith was at Group W, Admiralty Research Laboratory, with George Deacon. Norman Smith and the group that he led at the National Institute of Oceanography/ Institute of Oceanographic Sciences, Wormley, played a key role in the precision engineering and instrument development that allowed the Wormley Laboratory to become a world-leading institution, particularly in the 1960s and 70s.

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