

14. Research Vessels

A research vessel is a ship or boat designed, modified, or equipped to carry out research at sea. Research vessels carry out several roles. Oceanographic and hydrographic research are quite different from those of fisheries research. Due to the demanding nature of the work, research vessels are often constructed around an icebreaker hull, allowing them to operate in polar waters.



A hydrographic survey ship is a vessel designed to conduct hydrographic research and survey. Nautical charts are produced from this information to ensure safe navigation by military and civilian shipping. The other research ships are Fisheries research, naval research, polar research, oil exploration.

