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Three staff members of Scripps will participate in a symposium, "Man's Extension into the Sea"

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Three staff members of the University of California, San Diego's Scripps Institution of Oceanography who were associated with the U.S. Navy's Sealab II Man-in-the-Sea program conducted off La Jolla last fall, will participate in a symposium, "Man's Extension into the Sea, on January 11-12, in Washington.

The symposium will summarize the progress to date in supporting men living in the actual deep-sea environment. It is being sponsored by six scientific organizations and by the Navy's Special Projects Office and the Office of Naval Research.

Nine of the scheduled papers will be presented by Sealab II participants, including Arthur O. Flechsig, assistant specialist in oceanography at Scripps and a Sealab II diver. Flechsig's paper, "Value of Extended Diving Capability to the Scientific Community," will be delivered before the symposium's fourth session.

Dr. Victor C. Anderson, assistant director of Scripps' Marine Physical Laboratory, whose technicians designed and constructed the Benthic laboratory that served Sealab II as an ocean-bottom communications "switchboard," will chairman the third session.

A third-session speaker will be Dr. Douglas Inman, professor of oceanography at Scripps, who will describe the Scripps-designed and constructed underwater weather station that functioned during Sealab II. His paper is being presented on behalf of the American Geophysical Union, one of the symposium's sponsors.

Other symposium sponsors include the Marine Technology Society, American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers, American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics, and the American Society of Naval Engineers.