

# WP4 – Design

**Aim:** Develop & validate design methods for floating ORE devices

## Existing Methods/Present Design Standards

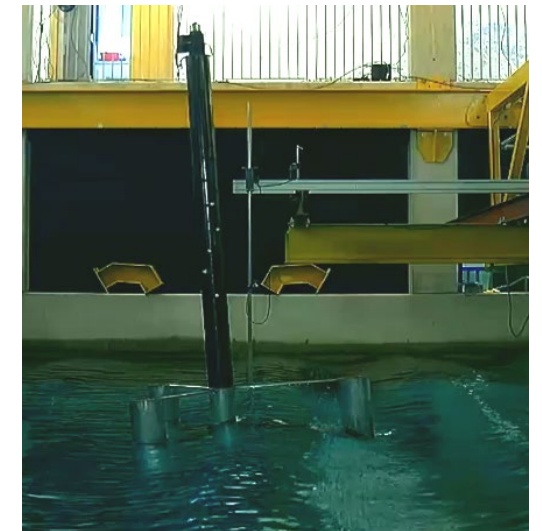
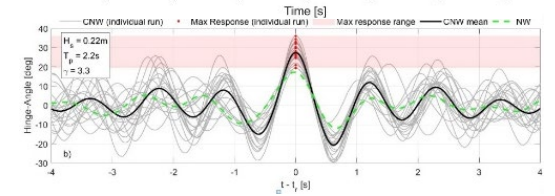
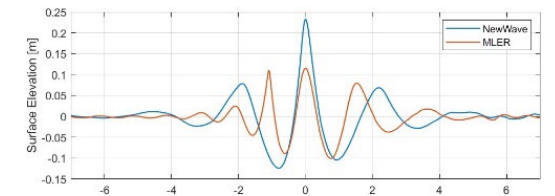
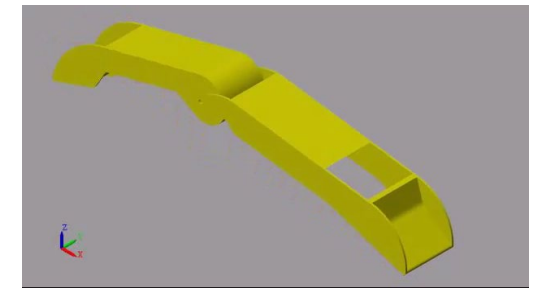
- Probabilistic approaches using large number of irregular sea states
- Robust but requires large quantities of simulated data

## Short Design Waves (SDWs):

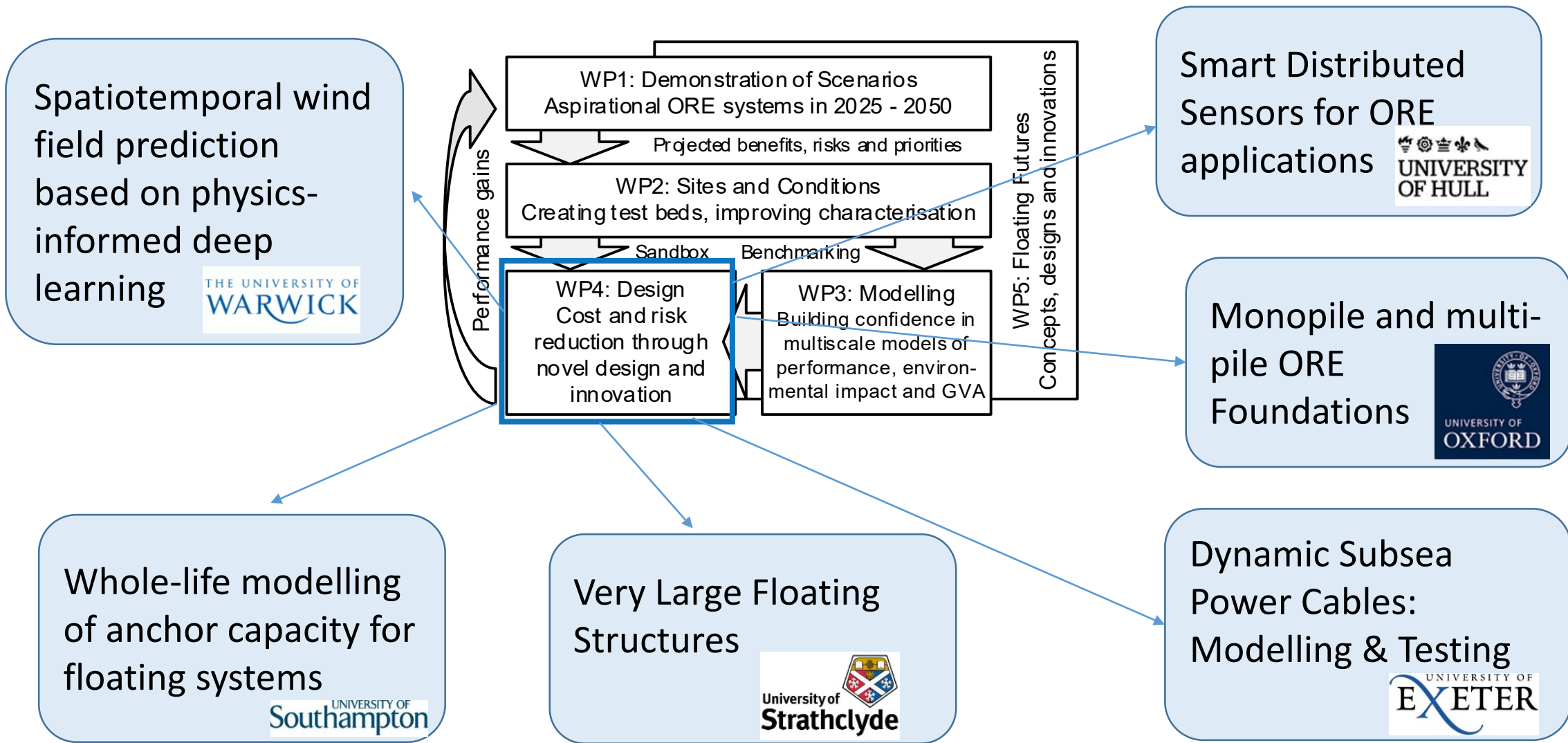
- More efficient method for characteristic load prediction in-line with design standards has been developed
- Single/embedded wave group to produce extreme responses
- Tested on a range of floating devices (WECs, FOWT)
- Promising results relative to present recommendations
- SDW procedures need refining for particular applications

## Future Work:

- Wider range of device (TLPs, Spars), response and mooring types
- Recommendations for floating ORE best practice/design standards
- Optimise SDW procedures (e.g. background wave selection)



# Linkages within Core Research Programme



# Flex funded research linkages within Research Landscape Theme E: Survivability, Reliability and Design

- Passive control of wave induced platform motions for semi-submersible FOWTs.
- Novel approaches for physical model testing of floating wind turbine platforms.
- Physics-informed machine learning for rapid fatigue assessments in offshore wind farms.
- Investigation into the coupling of a wave energy converter with a reverse osmosis desalination plant.
- FASTWATER: Freely-Available mesoScale simulation Tool for Wave, Tides and Eddy Replication.



- Submerged bi-axial fatigue analysis for flexible membrane Wave Energy Converters.
- Smart piezoelectric metamaterials for partial discharge monitoring.
- A hybrid and scalable digital twin for intelligent direct drive powertrain condition monitoring.

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- LoadTide – fatigue assessment of tidal turbine blades.
- Improved models for multivariate metocean extremes (IMEX).
- iDRIVE: Intelligent driveability forecasting for offshore wind turbine monopile foundations.
- Cost Effective Methods of Installing Offshore Wind Infrastructure.
- Advanced, Modular Power Take-Off Design for Marine Energy Converters.
- SharEd Anchor Multidirectional Load Envelopes with Strength Synthesis (SEAMLESS).



- V-SCORES(Validating Surface Currents at Offshore Renewable Energy Sites).
- Demonstrating a machine learning system to integrate metocean data, sensor networks, and model output for improved coverage and accuracy.