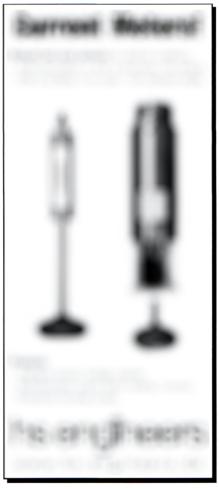
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AUV agreement

Planet Ocean, based in Surrey, UK, has announced a distribution agreement with Italian AUV manufacturer GABRI covering the UK and Ireland.

The GABRI Seastick vehicle incorporates

several unique features that set it apart in the world of AUVs, according to Planet Ocean.

The company said: "Together with the traditional forward dive controls and stern rudders, the Seastick incorporates two variable pitch thrusters using low power, silent, frictionless, magnetic induction motors which make extremely manoeuvrable allowing hovering and vertical movement in the water column.

"Seastick can also be used with a tether turning it into a powerful ROV. The allplastic construction gives it an extremely low magnetic signature.

"Fully customisable payload drawers and choice of telemetry facilitate a huge range of mission options which can run for ten hours from a single charge."

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