

# Faroese Research Vessel Receives Bureau Veritas Classification



Bureau Veritas (BV), a world leader in testing, inspection and certification, has awarded classification to the research vessel *Jákup Sverri*. Built in the Faroese MEST Shipyard, the vessel's primary task will be to survey in and around the Faroe Islands.

Measuring 54 metres in length, *Jákup Sverri*, which will conduct work for

the [Faroe Marine Research Institute](#), is packed with the latest specialized and highly automated equipment for oceanographic and fishing research activities, including pelagic and bottom trawling, underwater acoustic research, hydrographic, seismic, ROV operations and plankton and bottom sampling. To support its wide-ranging operational profile, the vessel – which features four scientific laboratories – has also been equipped with a dynamic positioning (DP) system and is outfitted for operation in ice and cold climates.

[BV](#) was involved with the project from its early design stages, with the vessel's characteristic RV5414 design developed in-house by MEST Shipyard. Close cooperation with [MEST Shipyard](#) enabled BV specialists to provide technical and regulatory expertise, helping ensure compliance with the applicable class rules and statutory regulations. The design review process was coordinated by the Nordic plan approval office in Copenhagen, which is fully qualified for newbuild projects. Local surveyor presence on the Faroe Islands enabled BV to support the shipyard throughout the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, without any denial or postponement of survey requests.

## Quiet Ship

Gijsbert de Jong, recently appointed marine chief executive for the BV Nordic region, explained: "A real stand-out feature is that the vessel is among the quietest ships ever built to facilitate marine research activities as confirmed by underwater noise measurements. This is primarily achieved by diesel-electric propulsion with elastically mounted diesel generators and an electrically driven five blade ultra-silent propeller. During sea trials, the ship has proven to have excellent seakeeping characteristics, to the satisfaction of the owner and crew."

Herman Spilker, vice president North Europe for BV, added: "We wish *Jákup Sverri* and its crew smooth and silent sailing and are excited to work with the Faroe Marine Research Institute. We are looking forward to continuing our cooperation with MEST Shipyard and are committed to supporting marine research institutes in the region, building on the return of experience from our successful projects."

"MEST appreciates the exemplary cooperation we had with Bureau Veritas. BV delivered what MEST Shipyard needed from day one," CEO Mouritz Mohr, MEST Shipyard said.

Take a video tour of *Jákup Sverri* [here](#).



Research vessel *Jákup Sverri*.