Rutter’s *sigma S6* Ice Navigator™ system enables vessels operating in ice to differentiate between open water, ice pans, open water leads in ice fields and the ice ridges that impact operations in ice zones. Its high resolution image processing provides enhanced ice imaging, leading to superior detection and tracking. In open water the *sigma S6* Ice Navigator™ system’s ability to reliably detect small bergy bits and growlers that can significantly damage a vessel or platform is industry-proven. Across a wide range of sea states, weather, and daylight or nighttime conditions the *sigma S6* Ice Navigator™ improves situational awareness and provides tactical information essential for real time route planning and decision making in ice operations. Its installation base includes many of the world’s ice breaker fleets, tankers, research vessels, bulk carriers and coast guard vessels from countries operating in Arctic and subarctic regions. *sigma S6* Ice Navigator™ systems have also been selected by oil and gas companies as part of their ice defence and ice management solutions to increase the safety and operational time of offshore platforms, drill ships and support vessels.

The *sigma S6* Ice Navigator™ can be installed with a dedicated ice radar, but it also passively interfaces with, and significantly enhances, commercially available marine radars. The *sigma S6* Ice Navigator™ system is fully motion compensated and operates equally well from both fixed platforms and vessels under way. It includes an integrated target tracker, SeaTrack, specifically tuned for maximum ice detection and tracking while supporting up to 300 simultaneous ice targets. Ideal for tracking bergy bits, growlers and ice bergs detected by the *sigma S6* Ice Navigator™, SeaTrack with its ability to integrate up to 128 radar scans allows for optimal ice detection and tracking compared to common Automatic Radar Plotting Aid (ARPA) radar trackers, taking advantage of the *sigma S6*’s superior imaging. This typically improves the range of detection of ice formations and small targets by a factor of 2 to 4, subject to the individual radar’s properties. The table below highlights the improvement of the *sigma S6* Ice Navigator™ system over conventional X-band radar ice detection (*source: Canadian Coast Guard, Barbara O’Connell*). The system features Automatic Coastline Masks, which incorporates a world coastline map, eliminating false positive targets when operating near land.

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<th>Ice Type</th>
<th>Size (Height Above Sea Level)</th>
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<td>Bergy Bit</td>
<td>1 to 5 m</td>
<td>&lt; 1 NM</td>
<td>&gt; 4 NM</td>
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<td>Growler</td>
<td>&lt; 1 m</td>
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The *sigma S6 Ice Navigator™* features full integration with select FLIR® IR cameras. Features include the ability to support multiple cameras, intelligent selection of a best camera for specific targets, and automatically directing the camera to ice targets entering a guard zone. These features support quick decision making in addressing potential threats and possible interruptions to operations. For other camera systems, the *sigma S6 Ice Navigator™* supports the NMEA Tracked Target Message (TTM) output to provide standardized targeting information.

The *sigma S6 Ice Navigator™* features AIS integration. Through a connection to an AIS receiver, this overlay displays all AIS Class-A and Class-B targets providing an overview of the surrounding marine traffic enhancing situational awareness.

The *sigma S6 Ice Navigator™* offers a variety of outputs to both record and stream ice imaging and targets to external systems. A built-in Screen Recorder allows recording of the radar display which is useful for documenting an incident, scientific research or ice breaking operations. Recordings are supported as a series of JPEG or PNG images, or as an AVI video. In addition, the *sigma S6 Ice Navigator™* system comes standard with *sigma S6 Connect*, which makes data available through a web interface. Using open standards it allows easy integration into external systems such as Google Earth Pro, GIS, and ice management systems using industry standard formats to access radar imaging (GeoTIFF, PNG, JPEG) and targets (GML, KML, DXF, ESRI).

*sigma S6 Ice Navigator™* now features Advanced Ice Analysis, a new generation of ice radar capabilities. Advanced Ice Analysis provides the ability to detect icebergs embedded in pack ice; detect and outline open water leads; and detect and track ice ridges within ice floes. These new capabilities substantially support navigation in ice, helping avoid vessel damage, increasing safety and aiding in fuel savings.
**sigma S6 Ice Navigator™**

- Marine certified (IEC 60945)
  - Rack Mountable/Desktop Radar Data Processor
  - 24" marine certified Rack Mountable/Desktop monitor (alternate sizes available)
  - Keyboard/Trackball Unit (Desktop style or Console Mount)
- Windows 7 operating system
- SeaTrack tracker, optimized for ice tracking without constraints of navigational ARPA radar trackers
- Fully motion compensated scan-to-scan integration of up to 128 radar sweeps, allowing the **sigma S6 Ice Navigator™** to identify and detect the smaller bergy bits and growlers that pose a navigational threat to the vessels
- Advanced sea, rain, interference & clutter suppression
- AIS Class-A and Class-B target overlay
- Built-in interfaces for FLIR® camera systems and TTM output to other camera systems for enhanced target verification and identification
- Automatic Screen Recording in selectable time intervals for evidence documentation
- Remote client capability
- Computer-Based Training package
- Coastline Masks
- **sigma S6 Connect**