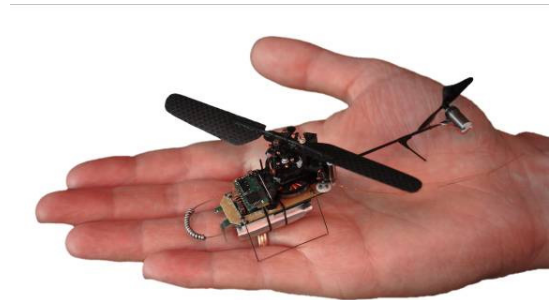


New members in the Prox Dynamics team

Prox Dynamics is happy to announce that we have expanded our team with seven new members starting this summer. In total we will be 12 people dedicated to the development of our Nano Unmanned Aircraft Systems, which makes Prox Dynamics the largest UAS company in Norway. We are very proud to have been able to attract top scientists and engineers from near and far, forming what will be a formidable development team.

Hornet-3b made its first flight 22nd May

The Hornet-3b is our sixth prototype to have taken to the skies. It proved itself by staying airborne for more than 20 minutes on the first flight. Main difference is an improved rotor mechanism and enhanced sensor suite. It will join the Hornet-3a and will be used for systems integration and flight envelope expansion. "Testing the Hornet-3 outdoors is a special challenge" says Pål Sandberg, the company test pilot, "not because it is hard to fly manually, but because at maximum speed it gets out of visual range after just a second or two".



EuroCAE Work Group 73 SG4

Prox Dynamics has been involved in the EuroCAE Work Group 73 SG4 that deals with regulations for small UAS (below 150 kg). As UAS evolve into smaller and smaller systems it is evident that, at some point, the inherent risk of these systems will be negligible, and it is important that the set of rules reflects this fact. This is important for both the developers and for the operators of such systems.

Prox Dynamics at the Conferences



Prox Dynamics has participated in several conferences this spring, contributing with both talks and flight demonstrations. In March we gave a lecture on Nano UAS at the 24th International UAV Systems Conference in Bristol, UK. In June we took part in the IMAV'09 as observers held at the University of West Florida, Pensacola.

We also spent one day at the Special Operations Forces Industry Conference

(SOFIC'09) in Tampa bringing a mock up model of the PD-100 Black Hornet. A good learning experience for us as this was our first display at a commercial event.

A special marketing folder was produced in advance which shows a few scenarios and preliminary technical specifications of the PD-100 Black Hornet. A downloadable version is available here: <http://www.proxdynamics.com/images/uploads/Black-Hornet-June-2009.pdf>

Lastly Petter Muren gave a speech at the UVS 2009 in Paris backed up by Hornet-3 flight demonstrations in the coffee breaks (to the amusement of the participants).

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