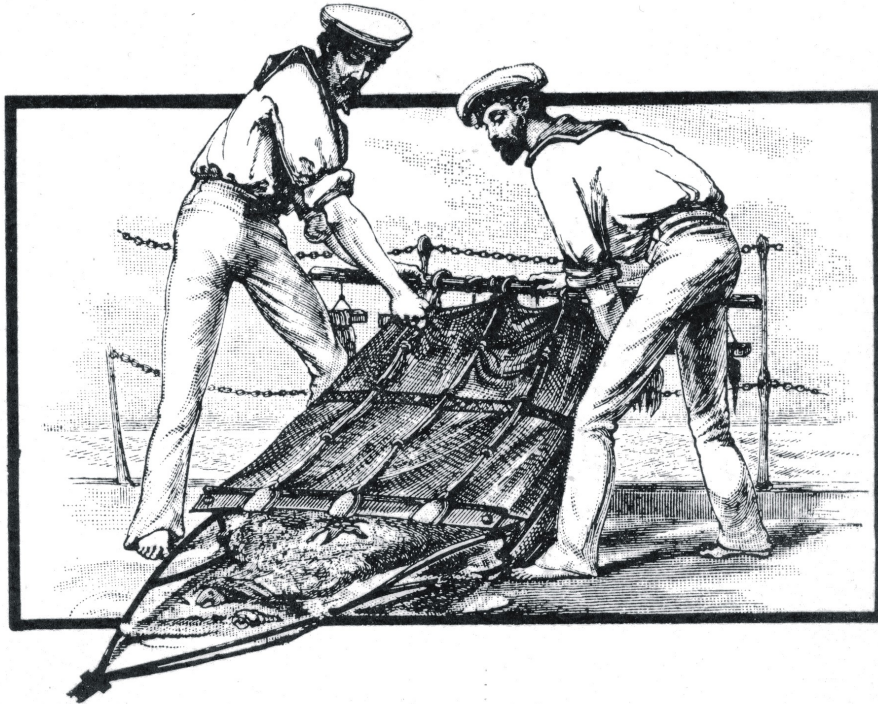


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## MOORE MEDAL 2003 CITATION

The International Marine Minerals Society (IMMS) would like to present Dr. Jung-Keuk Kang with *The Moore Medal\**, which is given in the name of Professor J. Robert (Robby) Moore for distinction in the development of marine minerals. Professor Moore conducted marine minerals research at Cardiff University in Wales, Great Britain and the Universities of Harvard, Wisconsin, Alaska, and Texas in the United States. He was committed to the intelligent integration of government, industry, and academia to address the development of marine minerals.

Robby founded the Underwater Mining Institute and IMMS, and he committed his research and many other considerable personal efforts to the multidisciplinary development of marine minerals. *The Moore Medal* is not awarded on any regular basis, but is reserved for those rare occasions when the career of an eminent figure in marine mining and minerals activities warrants such an honor.

*\*Robert W. Cooke earns a living designing and making monumental sculptures for many customers, mostly in the Northwest. Before becoming a full time artist, Bob was the Exploration Manager for the International Nickel deep seabed mining consortium. He attended many UMIs and became a good friend of the Institute and many of its participants. He designed and made the Moore medal when IMMS decided to initiate the award.*

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Dr. Kang completed his Ph.D. in 1984 in France, and his dissertation addressed the hydrothermal mineralization of the Antilles Arc. At that time there had been few studies of hydrothermal mineralization in arc settings, and his was a pioneering study. Here Dr. Kang acquired his passion for marine minerals.

After post-doctoral research at the U.S. Geological Survey, KORDI management put this relatively young, but dynamic and highly competent scientist in charge of a major new program. Their confidence in Dr. Kang paid off in prestige, recognition, and a steady series of accomplishments attributed to KORDI. The President of Korea commended him for his efforts that helped to bring Korea to Prime Investor status under the United Nations International Seabed Authority regime. Under Dr. Kang's leadership, the Marine Minerals Program became the second largest Program in KORDI after their Antarctic Program. KORDI's excellent international research and exploration continues through their Deepsea Resources Research Center, a legacy for which that Dr. Kang can be proud.

Dr. Kang's initiation, development, and management of KORDI are impressive in the scope of his vision and the resultant accomplishments that followed. He has contributed greatly to a vibrant, world-class research program, which has become one of the most substantial undertakings within KORDI.

Within a few short years, through his remarkable leadership, the KORDI Marine Minerals Program has been able to complete the extensive research, development, and site selection requirements mandated for status of Prime Investor in the Clarion-Clipperton manganese nodule zone. At the same time, Dr. Kang spearheaded the development of research laboratories, a new research vessel, and a well-balanced research program.

Dr. Kang's comprehensive knowledge and unique experience are now valued assets of the wider community through his associations with the International Seabed Authority and his extensive network of international friends and colleagues. His total body of accomplishments is outstanding, and the Society is honored to present this award to Dr. Kang.