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Method for performing an underwater dredging operation, and dredging installation

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Unterwasser-Saugbagger-Verfahren und Vorrichtung dafür

Title (fr)  
Procédé sous-marin de dragage et dispositif pour celui-ci

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Abstract (en)  
In a dredging operation, a cutting member (8) exerts a cutting force on a parcel (34) of pack bottom material. Thereby, an increase of the mutual distance of the bottom material particles (33) is generated, leading to a pore pressure decrease in the water field pores between said particles. By directing a water jet (30) towards said parcel of bottom material, a water flow is introduced into said pores thereby at least partly eliminating the pressure decrease and enabling a cutting operation with a decreased cutting force.

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