Presentation Outline

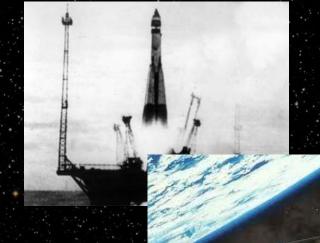


- Introduction
- Brief NASA History
- NASA Today
- Journey to Mars
 - Evolvable Mars Campaign
 - Technologies Required
- NASA Technology Transfer
- How Can YOU to Get Involved

NASA History: Established in 1958







- In response to the Soviet Union's launch of Sputnik 1 on 04
 Oct. 1957, the Eisenhower administration signed the National
 Aeronautics and Space Act of 1958, creating the National
 Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).
- Among other things, the Space Act charges NASA with the responsibility to conduct "activities as may be required for the exploration of space."

E Pluribus Unim NASA

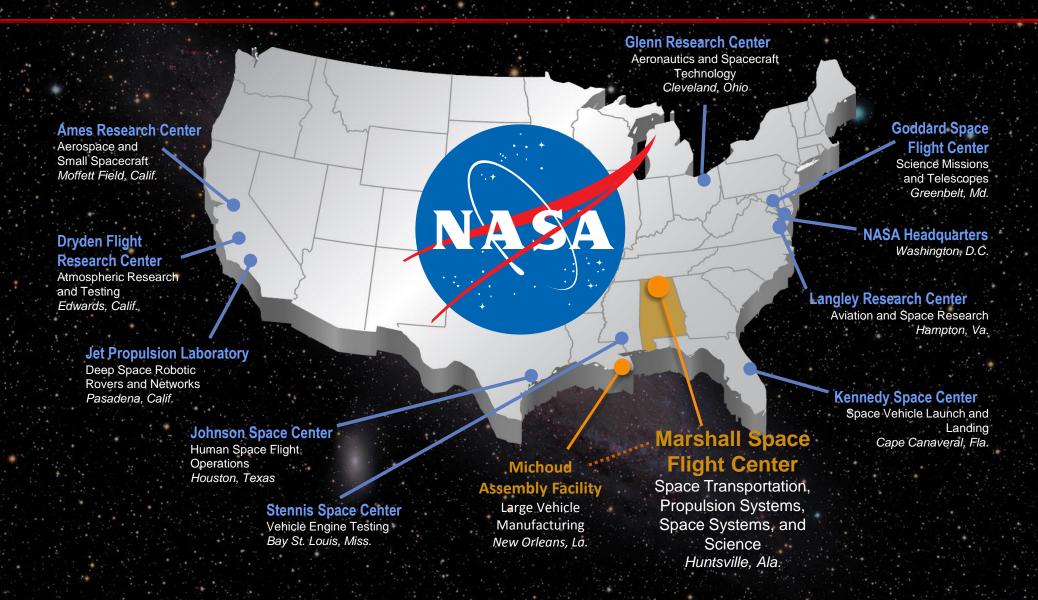


- NASA was established to comprise several existing agencies and commands.
 - NASA Headquarters (Washington, DC)
 - Four centers from the National Advisory Committee on Aeronautics (NACA), which had been researching flight technology for more than 40 years prior.
 - Langley Research Center (Hampton, VA)
 - Ames Research Center (Moffit Field, Mountain View, CA)
 - Lewis Research Center (Renamed Glenn Research Center, Cleveland, OH)
 - Dryden High Speed Flight Test (Renamed Armstrong Flight Research Center, Mojave, CA)
 - One Department of Defense Agency.
 - Army Ballistic Missile Agency (Renamed to Marshall Space Flight Center, Huntsville, AL)
 - One academic institute.
 - Jet Propulsion Laboratory (California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA)
 - Four Centers established to fulfill functions:
 - Goddard Space Flight Center (Greenbelt, MD)
 - Manned Space Center (Renamed Johnson Space Center, Houston, TX)
 - Kennedy Space Center (Cape Canaveral, FL)
 - Stennis Space Center (Southern MS)

As a federal agency, NASA has been considered to operate as a "loose confederation of semi-autonomous fiefdoms."

NASA Today: Field Center Locations



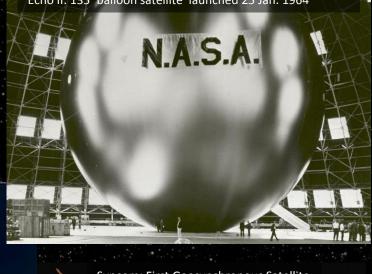


NASA History: Support of Aeronautics and Research



- NASA continued the aeronautics research pioneered by NACA as a theme of research.
- It also conducted purely scientific research and worked on developing applications for space technology, combining both pursuits in developing the first weather and communications satellites.







NASA History: Early Manned Space Missions



"Mercury 7" Announced by NASA on 09 April 1959

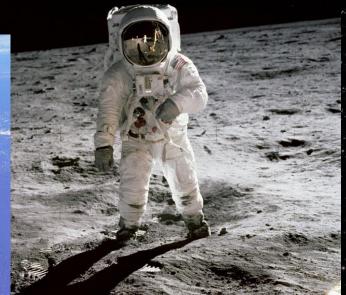
 President John F. Kennedy focused NASA and the nation on sending astronauts to the moon by the end of the 1960s.

Through the Mercury and Gemini projects, NASA developed the technology and skills it needed for the journey.

On July 20, 1969, Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin became the first of 12 men to walk on the moon, meeting Kennedy's challenge.







NASA History: The Space Shuttle and ISS



- After Apollo, NASA focused on creating a reusable, man-rated launcher to provide regular access to space: the Space Shuttle.
 - First launched in 1981, the space shuttle flew more than 130 successful flights before retiring in 2011.
- In 2000, the United States and Russia established permanent human presence in space aboard the International Space Station (ISS), a multinational project representing the work of 16 nations.
 - The ISS is still a vital part of NASA's Exploration Program with continuing research conducted on living and working in the space environment.





NASA History: Earth and Space Science Heritage



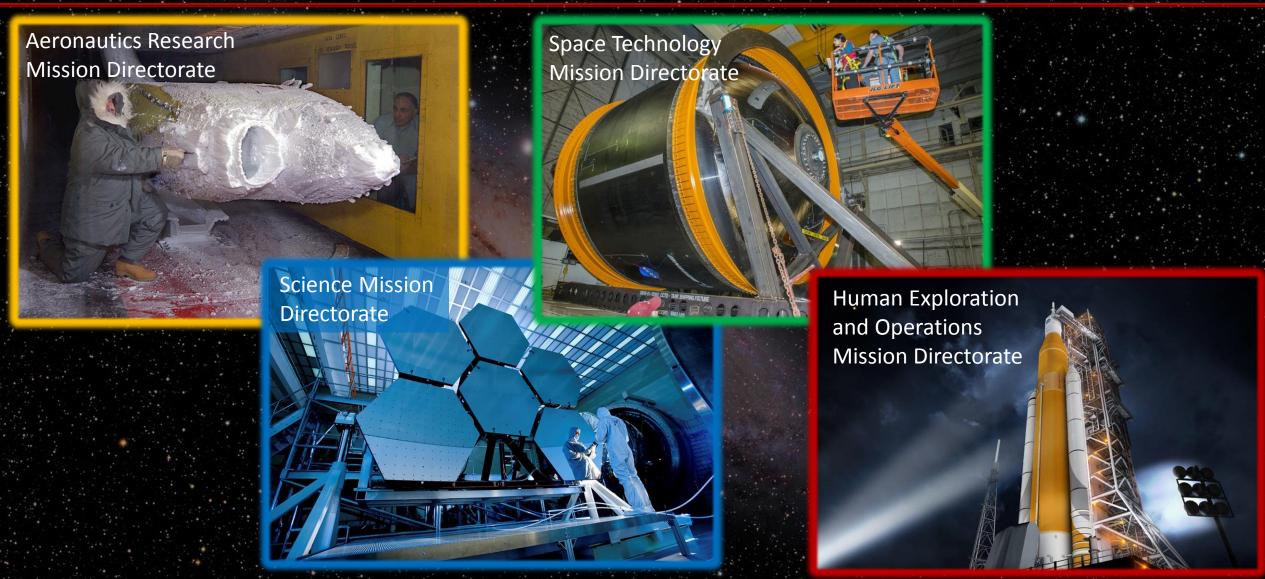
NASA also has continued research in Earth and Space Sciences.

Multiple orbital and deep space missions have observed critical



NASA Mission Directorates





Marshall heavily supports three of four NASA Mission Directorates...

NASA Themes and Priorities





Earth Right Now. Your planet is changing. We're on it. #EarthRightNow

NASA's fleet of satellites, its airborne missions and researchers address some of the critical challenges facing our planet today and in the future: climate change, sea level rise, freshwater resources, and extreme weather events.



ISS. Off the Earth, for the Earth. #ISS

The International Space Station is a blueprint for global cooperation and scientific advancements, a destination for growing a commercial marketplace in low-Earth orbit, and a test bed for demonstrating new technologies. The space station is the springboard to NASA's next great leap in exploration, including future missions to an asteroid and Mars.



Mars. Join us on the journey. #JourneytoMars

We are on a journey to Mars. Today our robotic scientific explorers are blazing the trail. Together, humans and robotics will pioneer the next giant leap in exploration.



Technology. Technology drives exploration. #NASATech

We develop, test and fly transformative capabilities and cutting edge exploration technologies. Our technology development provides the onramp for new ideas, maturing them from early stage through flight and giving wings to the innovation economy.



Aeronautics. NASA is with you when you fly. #FlyNASA

Every U.S. aircraft and air traffic control tower uses NASA-developed technology. We're committed to transforming aviation by reducing its environmental impact, maintaining safety, and revolutionizing aircraft shapes and propulsion.



Solar System and Beyond. NASA: We're Out There. #NASABeyond

NASA's exploration spans the universe. Observing the sun and its effects on Earth. Delving deep into our solar system. Looking beyond to worlds around other stars. Probing the mysterious structures and origins of our universe. Everywhere imaginable, NASA is out there.

Science

Exploration

Exploration

Technology

Aeronautics

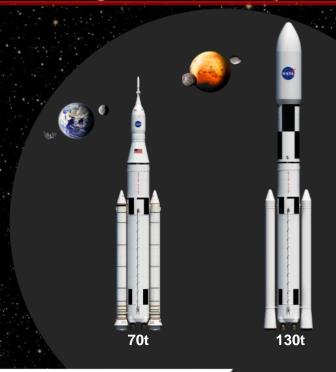
Science

NASA's Space Launch System



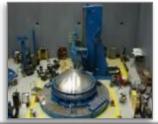
SLS – America's Human-Rated Heavy-lift Rocket

- Provides initial lift capacity of 70 metric tons (t), evolving to 130t.
- Initially powered by twin five-segment solid rocket boosters and four RS-25 liquid propellant engines, as well as a modified version of an existing upper stage.
- Carries the Orion Multi-Purpose Crew Vehicle (MPCV) and significant science payloads.
- Supports national and international missions beyond Earth's orbit, such as near-Earth asteroids, cis-lunar operations, and eventually Mars.
- Builds on the proven success of Saturn and Shuttle.





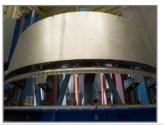
Solid Rocket Booster Test



Friction Stir
Welding for Core
Stage



Shell Buckling Structural Test



MPCV Stage Adapter
Assembly



Selective Laser Melting Engine Parts

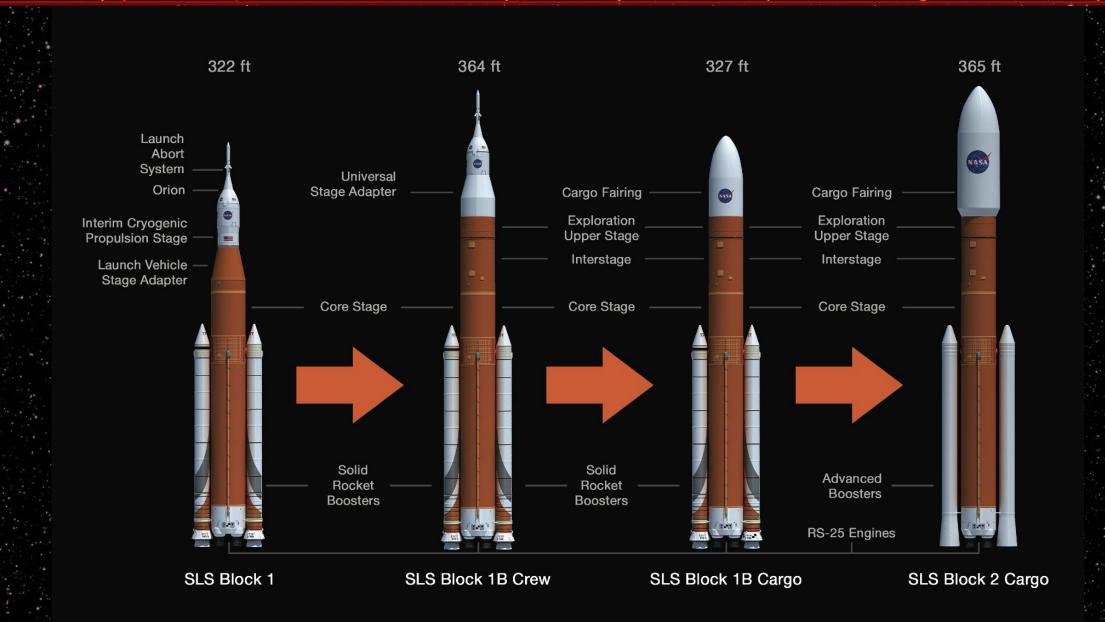


RS-25 Core Stage Engines in Inventory

SLS is essential to the nation's space exploration goals.

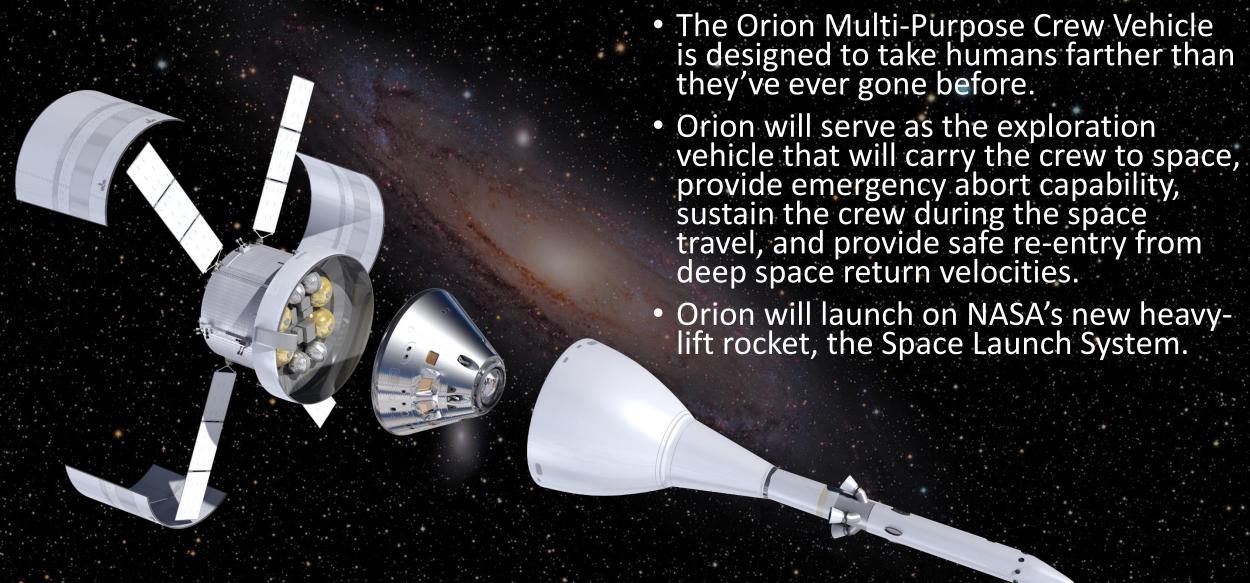
Future Evolution Plans for Space Launch System (SLS)





NASA's Orion Multi-Purpose Crew Vehicle





Commercial Crew Program



Cost-Effective

Developing safe, reliable crew transportation to ISS that reduces reliance on foreign systems.





\$58 MILLION



After certification, the U.S. will have developed two new, independent, human space transportation systems for less than \$5 billion.

Astronauts

Veteran NASA astronauts training to fly the first U.S. Commercial Crew test launches.



- Facilitate the development of U.S. commercial crew space transportation systems to provide safe, reliable, cost-effective access to and from the ISS and low-Earth orbit from America.
- Transport pressurized scientific research and cargo and increase the station crew, enabling twice the amount of scientific research to be conducted.
- By encouraging private companies to provide human transportation services to and from low-Earth orbit, NASA can expand its focus on building spacecraft and rockets for deep space missions on our journey to Mars.







PROVIDERS





Spacecraft: CST-100 Starliner

> Launch Vehicle: **ULA Atlas V**

> > Height: 171 Feet

Launch Pad: Space Launch **Complex 41**

Destination: International **Space Station**

Maximum potential value:



SpaceX

Spacecraft: **Crew Dragon**

Launch Vehicle: Falcon 9

> Height: 208 Feet

Launch Pad: Launch **Complex 39A**

Destination: International **Space Station**

Maximum potential value:

Commercial Launch Services

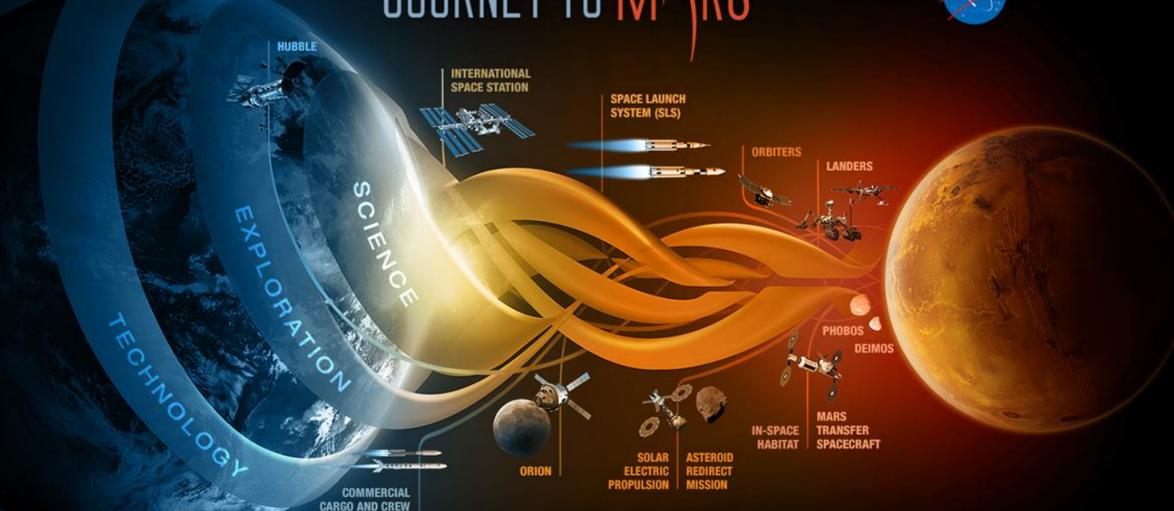


- A little more than two years after the end of the Space Shuttle Program, SpaceX and Orbital ATK began successfully resupplying the space station with cargo launched from the United States.
- The companies developed the rockets and spacecraft through public-private partnerships under the agency's <u>Commercial Orbital Transportation Services</u> (COTS) program
- NASA then awarded Orbital ATK and SpaceX
 <u>commercial resupply services contracts</u> to each deliver
 at least 20 metric tons of cargo to the orbiting
 laboratory.
- The companies are successfully resupplying the space station, and more missions to deliver scientific investigations and cargo are planned.
- This partnership is changing the way NASA does business,
 - helping build a strong American commercial space industry, and
 - freeing NASA to focus on developing the next-generation rocket and spacecraft that will allow us to travel farther in space than ever before.



JOURNEY TO MARS





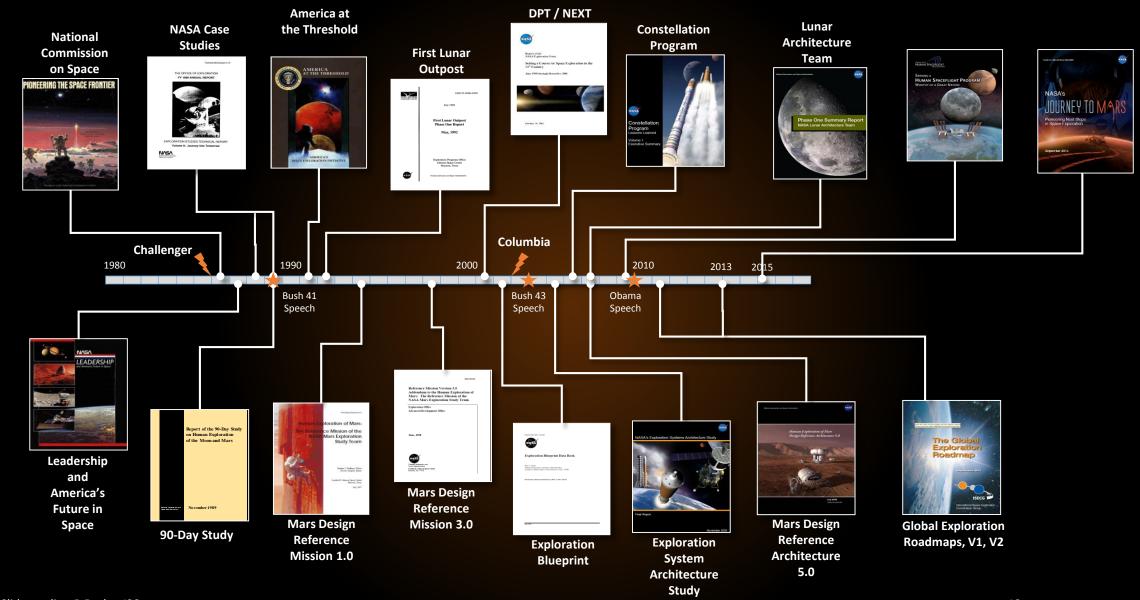
MISSIONS: 6-12 MONTHS RETURN: HOURS MISSIONS: 1-12 MONTHS RETURN: DAYS MISSIONS: 2-3 YEARS RETURN: MONTHS

EARTH RELIANT PROVING GROUND

EARTH INDEPENDENT

Human Exploration Studies Beyond LEO - Toward Mars





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Strategic Principles for Sustainable Exploration Campaign



- Implementable in the near-term with the buying power of current budgets and in the longer term with budgets commensurate with economic growth;
- Exploration enables science and science enables exploration, leveraging robotic expertise for human exploration of the solar system
- Application of high Technology Readiness Level (TRL) technologies for near term missions, while focusing sustained investments on technologies and capabilities to address challenges of future missions;
- Near-term mission opportunities with a defined cadence of compelling and integrated human and robotic missions providing for an incremental buildup of capabilities for more complex missions over time;
- Opportunities for U.S. commercial business to further enhance the experience and business base;
- Multi-use, evolvable space infrastructure, minimizing unique major developments, with each mission leaving something behind to support subsequent missions; and
- Substantial new international and commercial partnerships, leveraging the current International Space Station partnership while building new cooperative ventures.

Plan Outlining Next Steps in the Journey to Mars

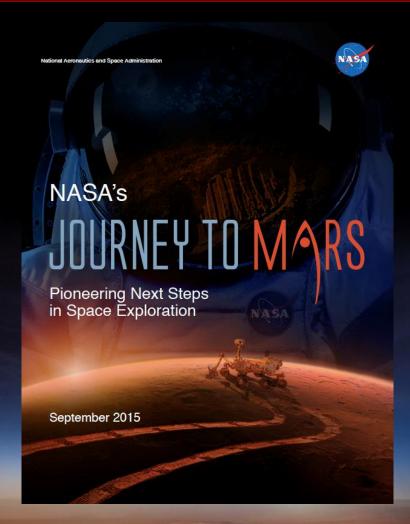


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• Revised by internal & external stakeholders

Overall Flow

- Introduction and Goals
- Our Approach Pioneering Principles
- Three Phases for J2M
- Our Strategy for the Journey to Mars
 - Cislunar steps
 - Science and human exploration
- Our Progress and Plans
 - Earth-Reliant ISS, Commercial Crew/Cargo
 - Proving Ground SLS, Orion, SEP, habitats
 - Earth-Independent Robotic missions, evolving architectures
- Pioneering Challenges
 - Transportation
 - Working in Space
 - Staying Healthy
- Summary

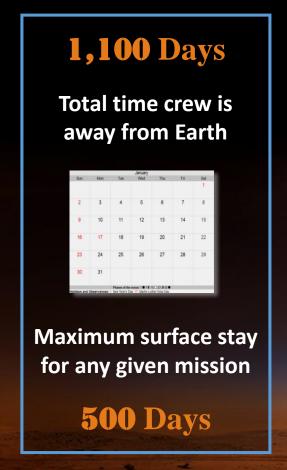


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Key Capabilities for the Human Exploration of Mars



Common Findings from Multiple Studies:

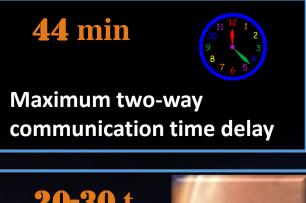
















Capabilities and Platforms for Mars Exploration



		ISS	Cis-lunar Short Stay (e.g. ARM)	Cis-lunar Long Stay	Mars Orbit	Mars Surface, Short Stay	Mars Surface, Long Stay
Working in Space and On Mars	In Situ Resource Utilization & Surface Power						X
	Surface Habitat & Mobility					X	X
	Human/Robotic & Autonomous Ops		Х	X	X	X	X
	Exploration EVA		Х	X	X	X	X
Staying Healthy	Crew Health	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Environmental Control & Life Support	Х	Х	Х	X	X	Х
	Radiation Safety		х	Х	X	X	Х
Transportation	Ascent from Planetary Surfaces					X	X
	Entry, Descent & Landing					X	X
	In-space Power & Prop (incl. SEP, Hybrid)		X	X	X	X	X
	Beyond LEO: SLS (w/ EUS) & Orion		X	X	X	X	X
	To LEO: Commercial Cargo & Crew	Х					
	Comm & Navigation	Х			X	X	X

MSFC Technology Emphasis Areas







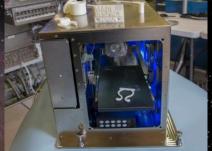


In-Space Propulsion with Emphasis In-Space Propulsion (Green Propellants, Electric) on Cryogenics

In-Space Propulsion (Nuclear)

In-Space Propulsion (Solar Propulsion Testbeds and Sails, Tethers) Demonstration Missions







Habitats and Technologies for "Beyond Low Earth Orbit" Exploration

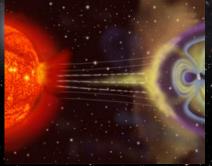
Technologies Supporting Utilization of ISS

Advanced Manufacturing with **Emphasis on In-Situ Fabrication** and Repair

Human Habitation Elements and Life Support Systems











Technologies for Small payload Launch

Instrument Dev.

X-ray Astrophysics; Scientific Space Environments and Space Weather, Research to Operations

Small Spacecraft and **Enabling Technologies**

Rapid/Affordable Manufacturing with **Emphasis on Propulsion Components**

Evolvable Mars Campaign



EMC Goal: Define a pioneering strategy and operational capabilities that can extend and sustain human presence in the solar system including a human journey to explore the Mars system starting in the mid-2030s.

- Identify a plan that:
 - Expands human presence into the solar system to advance exploration, science, innovation, benefits to humanity, and international collaboration.
 - Provides different future scenario options for a range of capability needs to be used as guidelines for near term activities and investments
 - In accordance with key strategic principles
 - Takes advantage of capability advancements
 - Leverages new scientific findings
 - Flexible to policy changes
 - Identifies linkages to and leverage current investments in ISS, SLS, Orion, ARM, EAM, technology development investments, science activities
 - Emphasizes prepositioning and reuse/repurposing of systems when it makes sense
 - Use location(s) in cis-lunar space for aggregation and refurbishment of systems

EVOLVABLE MARS CAMPAIGN

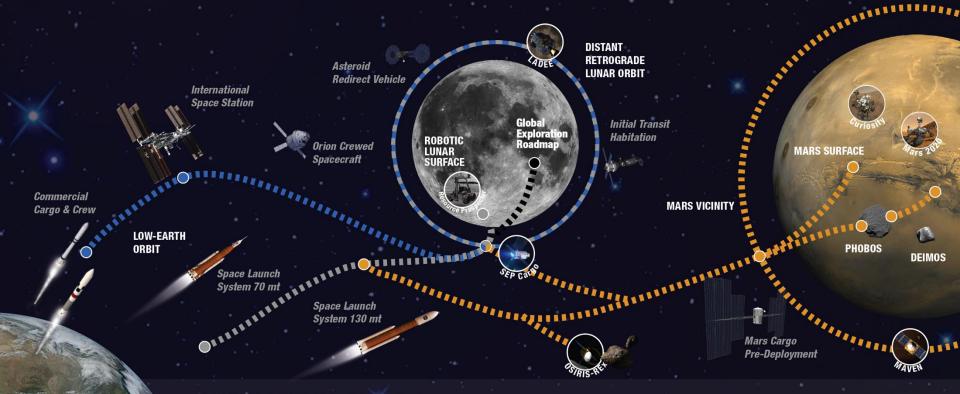
A Pioneering Approach to Exploration





PROVING GROUND

EARTH INDEPENDENT



THE TRADE SPACE

Across the Board | Solar Electric Propulsion • In-Situ Resource Utilization (ISRU) • Robotic Precursors • Human/Robotic Interactions • Partnership Coordination • Exploration and Science Activities

Trades

- **Cis-lunar** | Deep-space testing and autonomous operations
 - Extensibility to Mars
 - Mars system staging/refurbishment point and trajectory analyses

Mars Vicinity

- Split versus monolithic habitat
- Cargo pre-deployment
- Mars Phobos/Deimos activities
- Entry descent an27 landing concepts
- Transportation technologies/trajectory analyses



Why Cislunar Space? The 'Gravity Well' Advantage



The contours on the plot depict energy states in the Earth-Moon System and the relative difficulty of moving from one place to another.

L3

A spacecraft at L2 is actually orbiting Earth at a distance just past the Moon, however if you look at it from the Moon, the orbit will look like an ellipse around a point in space giving them the name "halo orbits".

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The interaction of the Earth and Moon creates bends in the energy contours that can be used to lower the energy needed to move around the Earth-Moon system and beyond, such as this example of a low energy transfer between L1 and L2.

#-# ISS -

Delta –V (km/s)

Earth to LEO: ~10

LEO to GEO: ~3.8

LEO to BARTA SURFACE-

LEO to TMI: ~3.4-4.1

MOON

Family of DROs in Earth-Moon Plane

Delta -V (km/s)

LLO to L1/L2: ~0.7

LLO to moon surf: ~2

Cislunar to TM

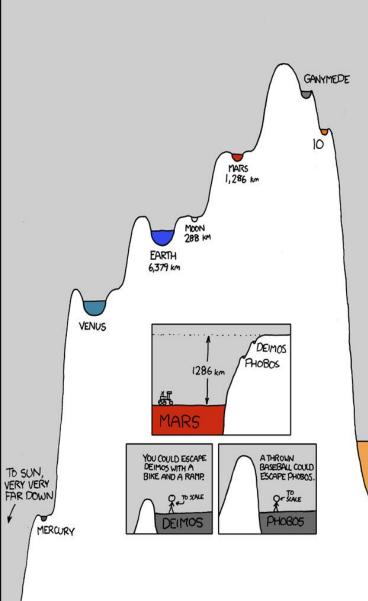
GEO ORBIT

EARTH

The Lunar Distant Retrograde Orbit leverages these equilibrium and low energy contours to enable a stable orbit with respect to the Earth and Moon, that is accessible with about the same energy as L1 or L2.

Gravity Wells Explained xkcd.com by Randall Munroe





GRAVITY WELLS

SCALED TO EARTH SURFACE GRAVITY

THIS CHART SHOWS THE "DEPTH" OF VARIOUS SOLAR SYSTEM GRAVITY WELLS.

EACH WELL IS SCALED SUCH THAT RISING OUT OF A PHYSICAL WELL OF THAT DEPTH -IN CONSTANT EARTH SURFACE GRAVITY-WOULD TAKE THE SAME ENERGY AS ESCAPING FROM THAT PLANETS GRAVITY IN REALITY.

EACH PLANET IS SHOWN CUT IN HALF AT THE BOTTOM OF ITS WELL, WITH THE DEPTH OF THE WELL MEASURED DOWN TO THE PLANET'S FLAT SURFACE.

THE PLANET SIZES ARE TO THE SAME SCALE AS THE WELLS. INTERPLANETARY DISTANCES ARE NOT TO SCALE.

G * RANETMASS

G=NEWTON'S CONSTANT 9=9.81 7/62

JUPITER

JUPITER IS NOT MUCH LARGER THAN SATURN, BUT MUCH MORE MASSIVE. AT IT'S SIZE, ADDING MORE MASS JUST MAKES IT DENSER DUE TO THE EXTRA SQUEEZING OF GRAVITY.

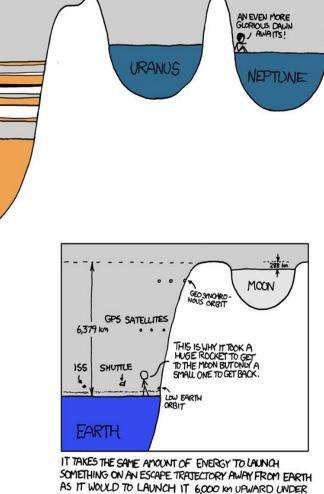
WE ECCO EECCO EEECOC

RINGS

THAN

EUROPA

IF YOU DROPPED A PEW DOZEN MORE JUPITERS INTO IT, THE PRESSURE WOULD IGNITE RUSION AND MAKE IT A STAR.



CONSTANT 9.81 M/s2 EARTH GRAVITY.

HENCE EARTH'S WELL IS 6,000 KM DEEP.

HTTP://XKCD.COM/681/

PROVING GROUND OBJECTIVES



Using Cislunar Resources to Enable Human Missions to Mars







TRANSPORTATION WORKING IN SPACE STAYING HEALTHY

- Heavy Launch Capability: beyond low-Earth orbit launch capabilities for crew, comanifested payloads, large cargo
- Crew: transport at least four crew to cislunar space
- **In-Space Propulsion:** send crew and cargo on Mars-class mission durations and distances

- ISRU: Understand the nature and distribution of volatiles and extraction techniques and decide on their potential use in human exploration architecture.
- Deep-space operations capabilities: EVA, Staging, Logistics, Human-robotic integration, Autonomous operations
- Science: enable science community objectives

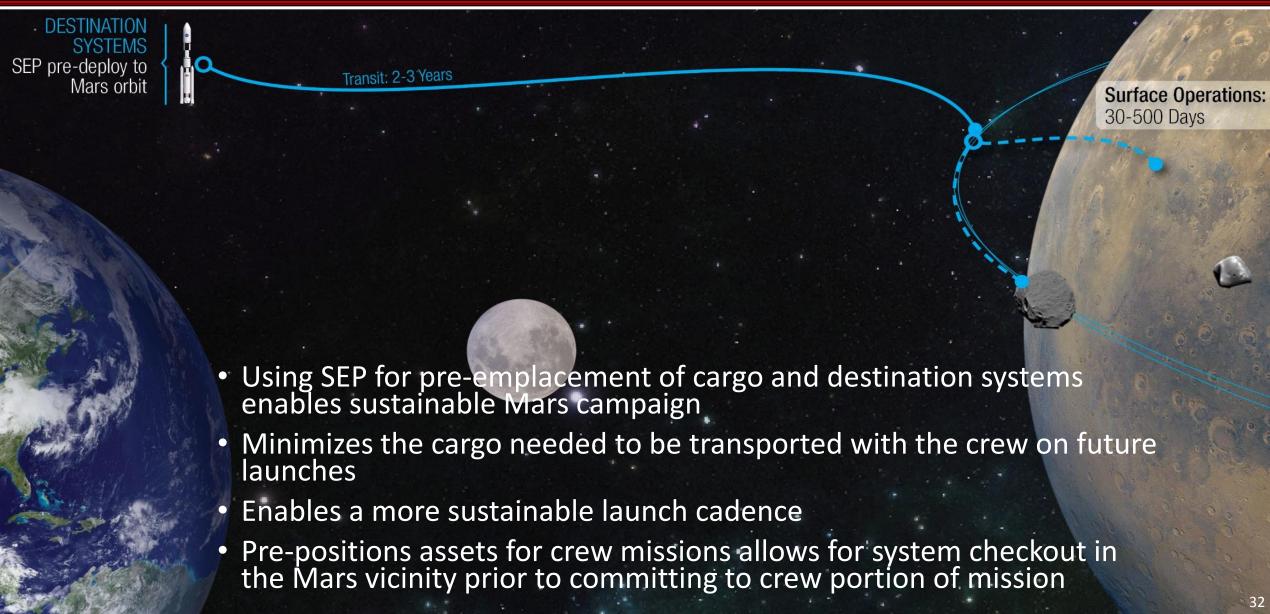
- Deep-Space **Habitation**: beyond low-Earth orbit habitation systems sufficient to support at least four crew on Mars-class mission durations and dormancy
- **Crew Health**: Validate crew health, performance and mitigation protocols for Mars-class missions



Address Strategic Knowledge Gaps with cislunar missions

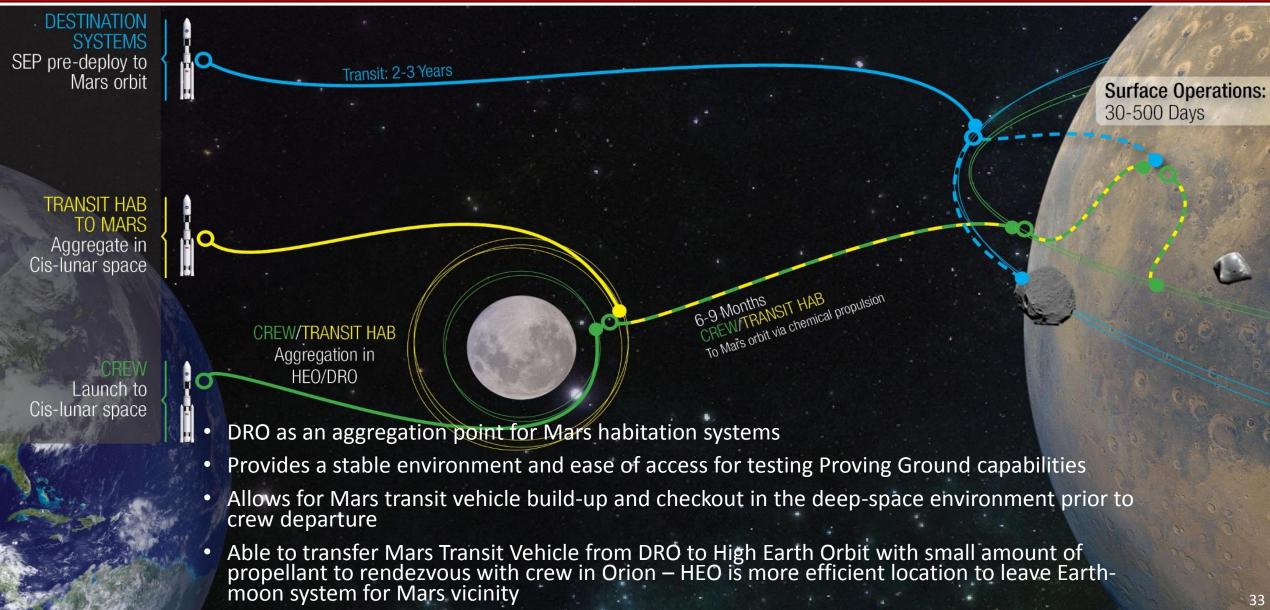
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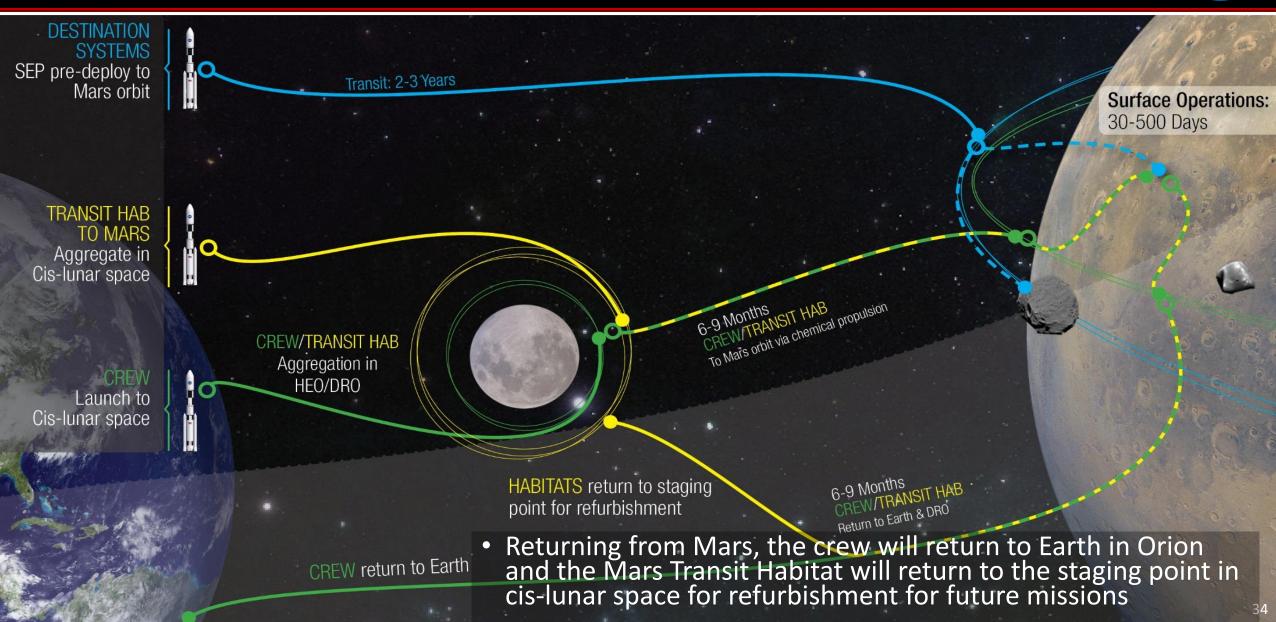
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EMC – Major Results to Date

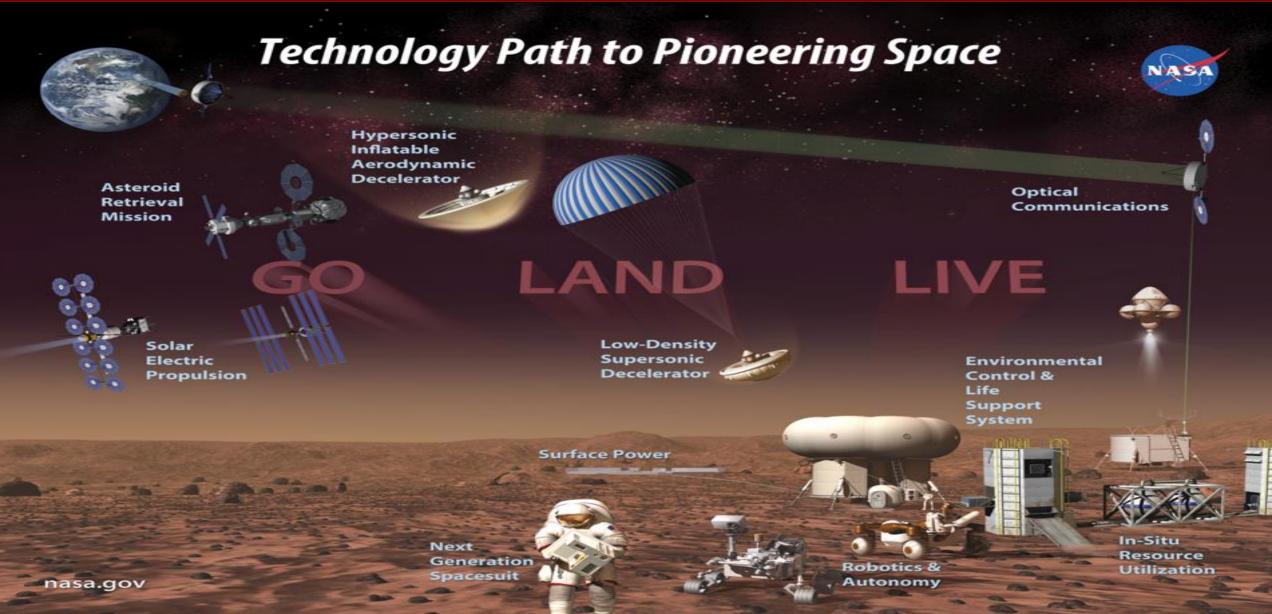


- Regardless of Mars vicinity destination, common capability developments are required
- ISS provides critical Mars mission capability development platform
- Lunar DRO is efficient for aggregation and potential refurbishment due to stable environment
 - Use of gravity assist trajectories enable use of DRO
- Orion Block 1 is sufficient for Mars architectures with reusable habitats
- SLS co-manifested cargo capability increases value of crewed missions and improves cadence
- Deep-space habitation serves as initial starting point regardless of destination
- ARV derived SEP vehicle can serve as an effective tool for human Mars missions
 - Reusability can enable follow-on use in cis-lunar space
 - Refuelability under study to enable Mars system follow-on use
 - Current SEP evolvability enables Mars system human missions
- Mars Phobos / Deimos as initial Mars vicinity mission spread out development costs and meets policy objectives of Mars vicinity in 2030's
 - Common crew transportation between Mars Phobos / Deimos and Mars Surface staging
 - Phobos provides 35% reduction of radiation exposure compared to other Mars orbit missions
 - Provides ability to address both exploration and science objectives

Mars Technology Video

Technology Needs for Deep Space Exploration





Space Technology Portfolio and Programs



Transformative & Crosscutting Technology Breakthroughs

Pioneering Concepts/Developing Innovation Community

Creating Markets & Growing Innovation Economy

Technology Demonstration Missions

bridges the gap between early proof-of-concept tests and the final infusion of cost-effective. revolutionary technologies into successful NASA, government and commercial space missions.





Small Spacecraft Technology Program develops and demonstrates new capabilities employing the unique features of small spacecraft for science, exploration and space operations.



Space Technology Research irants seek to accelerate the development of "push" technologies to support future space science and exploration needs through innovative efforts with high risk/high payoff while developing the next generation of innovators through grants and fellowships.



Centennial Challenges

advancing technologies of value to

community. The program offers

teams that achieve a specified

technology challenge.

directly engages nontraditional sources

NASA's missions and to the aerospace

challenges set up as competitions that

award prize money to the individuals or

Flight Opportunities facilitates the progress of space technologies toward flight readiness status through testing in space-relevant environments. The program fosters development of the commercial reusable suborbital transportation industry.



missions.



stimulates and encourages creativity and innovation within the NASA Centers by addressing the technology needs of the Agency and the Nation. Funds are invested to each NASA Center to support emerging technologies and creative initiatives that leverage Center talent and capabilities.

NASA Innovative Advanced

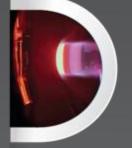
the creation of breakthroughs

radically better or entirely new

America's innovators and

journey.

Concepts (NIAC)



Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Transfer (STTR) Programs provide an opportunity for small, high technology companies and

research institutions to develop key technologies addressing the Agency's needs and developing

the Nation's innovation economy.





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Enabling Future Exploration Missions



Space Technology focus investments in 8 thrust areas that are key to future NASA missions and enhance national space capabilities.

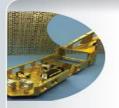


In- Space Propulsion

Create improvements in thrust levels, specific power, and alternatives to traditional chemical propulsion systems for destination-agnostic, deep space exploration spacecraft systems.

External Application:

Enhanced_propulsion capabilities for Commercial and OGA Satellites



High Bandwidth Space Comm

Substantially increase available bandwidth and data rates for near earth and deep space, currently limited by power and frequency allocation limits. Assure robust and reliable interconnected space network.

External Application:

High bandwidth for Commercial and OGA Satellites



Advanced Life Support & Resource Utilization

Human exploration missions beyond low earth orbit will require highly reliable technologies (e.g. reclaiming water reuse of trash, air revitalization) to minimize resupply requirements and increase independence from earth.

External Application:

Mining Industry and other closed environments; OGA



Descent and Landing Systems

Permits more
capable science
and future human missions
to terrestrial bodies.
Includes, hypersonic and
supersonic aerodynamic
decelerators, next- gen TPS
materials,
retro-propulsion,
instrumentation
and modeling.

External Application:

Returning commercial assets from space and research from ISS



Space Robotic Systems

Extends our reach by helping us remotely explore planetary bodies, manage in-space assets and support in-space operations by enhancing the efficacy of our operations.

External Application:

Human-safe Robotics for industrial use, disaster response, & overall autonomous operations



Lightweight Space Structures

Targets large decreases in structural mass for launch vehicles and spacecraft materials using nanotech, composites and in space manufacturing capabilities.

External Application:

Industrial Materials and Composites for large structures (rockets, aircraft)



Deep Space Navigation

Allows for more capable science and human exploration missions; enables more precise entry trajectories for inserting into orbits around planets and bodies like Mars, Europa, and Titan.

External Application:

Next Generation GPS and build new industrial base



Space Observatory Systems

Allows for significant gains in science capabilities including: coronagraph technology to characterize exoplanets, advances in surface materials and better control systems for large space optics.

External Application:

Industrial Materials, Earth Observation

Propulsion Research





Communications





Next Generation Space Suits



Crew Mobility Systems Domain

Advanced EVA: Development and testing of next generation space suits and portable life support systems (JSC).



Portable Life Support System 2.0 incorporates new technology components for CO₂ removal, thermal management, pressure regulation, and energy storage.



Z-2 Space Suit



Testing Modified Advanced Crew Escape Suit (MACES) in Neutral Buoyancy Lab for Asteroid Redirect Mission.



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Growing Plants in space







#SpaceFlower out in the sun for the first time! #YearInSpace





Staying Healthy – Human Research Program (HRP)









ISS Medical Project

Human Health and Countermeasures

Exploration Medical Capabilities









Space Human Factors
And Habitability

Science Management

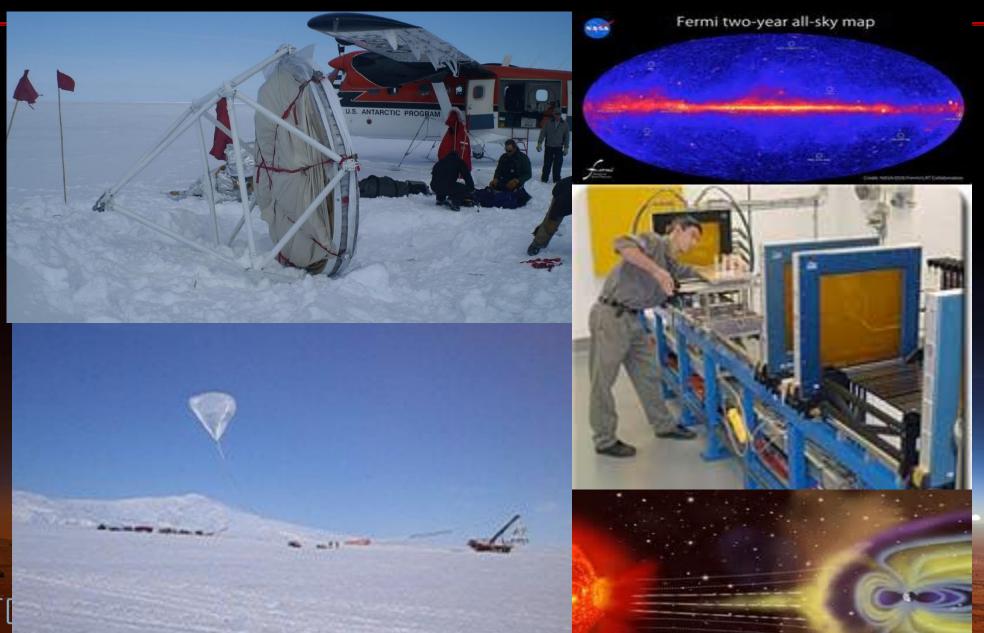
Habitat studies





Radiation studies

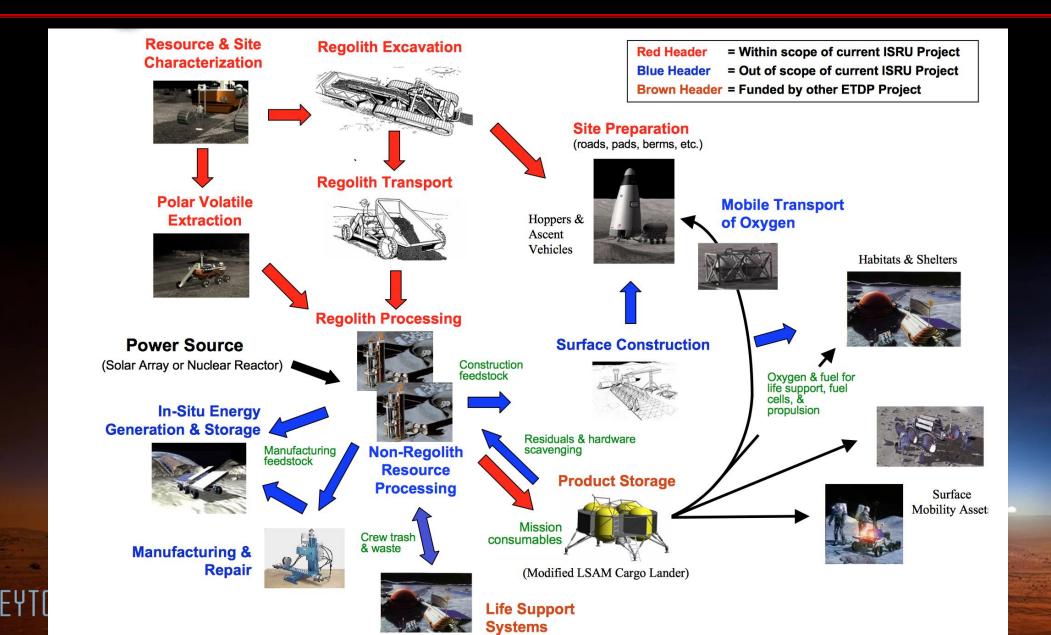




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In Space Resource Utilization





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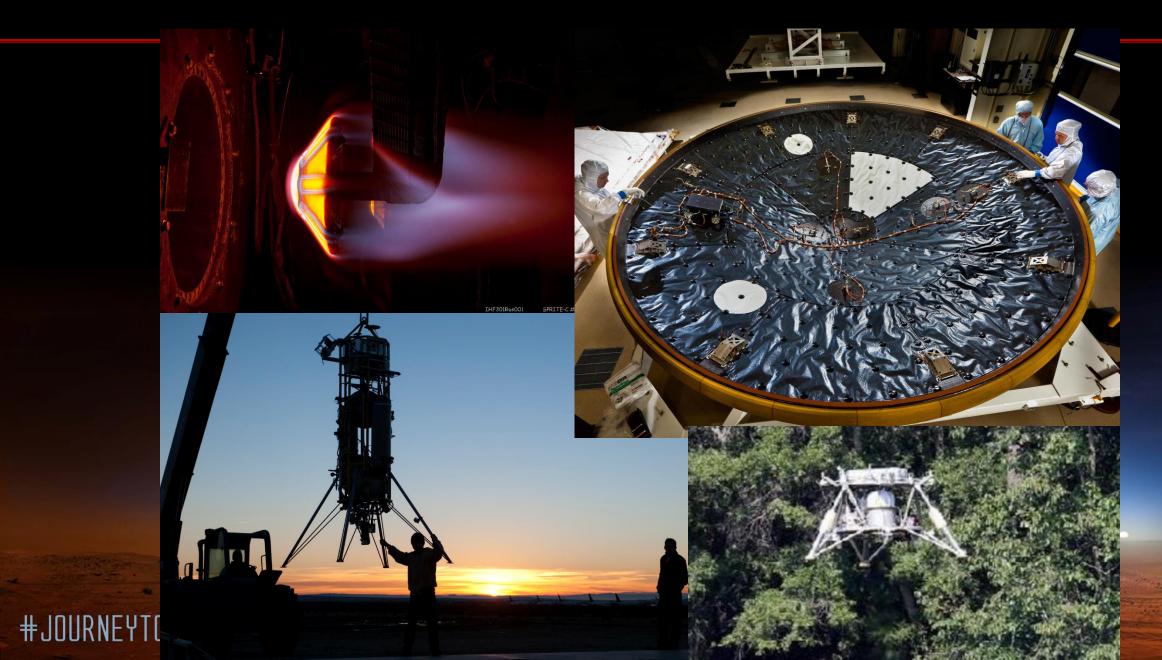


Surface Power and Mobility



Ascent and Descent

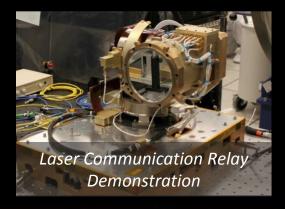




Supporting Exploration & Science



















Technology & Enterprise















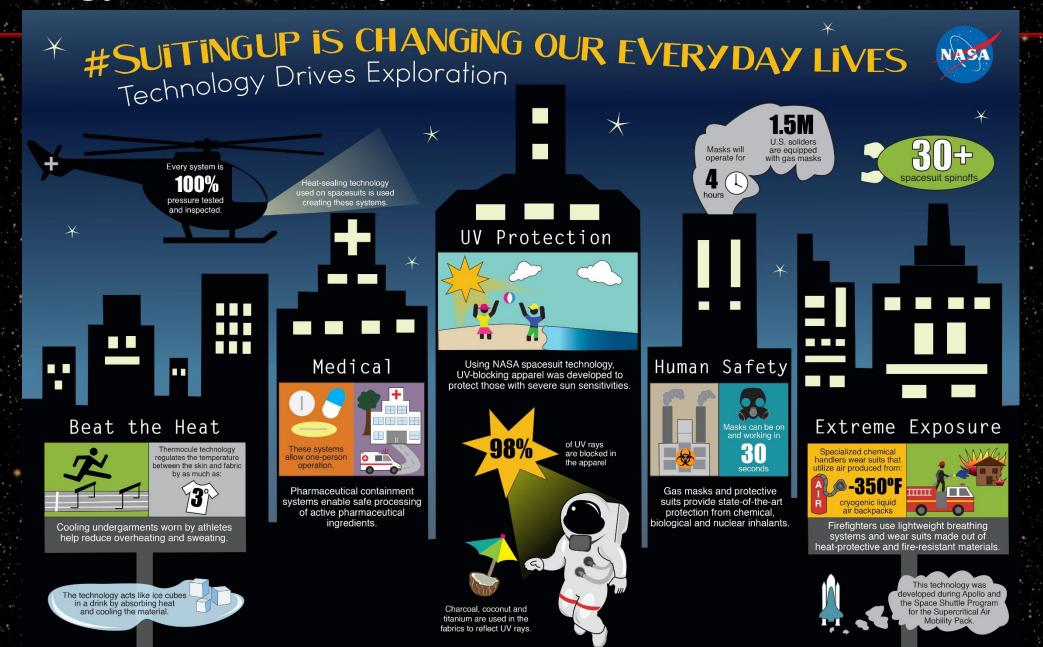




Technology Transfer

Technology Transfer Examples





NASA Today: Federal and NASA Budget



FY16 US Federal Budget

(estimated outlay) = \$3.9197

NASA's FY16 Appropriated Budget = \$19.3BFederal Discretionary spending = \$1.15T



In FY15, NASA's budget is 0.48% of the full federal budget outlay.

From 1958 through 2015 inclusive, NASA's cumulative budget is

0.75%

of cumulative US Federal Budget Spending.

Space Technology Research Grants Program



Engage Academia: tap into **spectrum** of academic researchers, from graduate students to senior faculty members, to examine the theoretical feasibility of ideas and approaches that are critical to making science, space travel, and exploration more effective, affordable, and sustainable.

NASA Space Technology Research Fellowships

 Graduate student research in space technology; research conducted on campuses and at NASA Centers and not-for-profit R&D labs

Early Career Faculty

 Focused on supporting outstanding faculty researchers early in their careers as they conduct space technology research of high priority to NASA's Mission **Directorates**

Early Stage Innovations

- University-led, possibly multiple investigator, efforts on early-stage space technology research of high priority to NASA's Mission Directorates
- Paid teaming with other universities, industry and non-profits permitted





















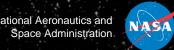








NASA SPACE TECHNOLOGY





RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS 2016

CALL FOR FELLOWSHIP APPLICATIONS

Learn, collaborate, discover, achieve...

The NASA Space Technology Mission Directorate seeks to sponsor graduate student researchers pursuing or planning to pursue master's and doctoral degrees in relevant space technology disciplines who show significant potential to contribute to the strategic goals and missions of NASA in the area of **space technology**.

The fellowship, up to \$74,000 per year, will coincide with the start of the fall 2016 term. In addition to providing a \$36,000 annual stipend, the fellowship provides support for tuition, health insurance and the faculty advisor. The fellowship also provides support for onsite tenure at NASA Centers across the country.

To date, NASA has awarded these prestigious fellowships to 301 students from 83 universities across 36 states and one U.S. territory. Fellowship recipients will collaborate with leading experts in space technology to provide a more robust national capability for aerospace activities and contribute to the Nation's innovation economy.

The solicitation opened on *September 10, 2015*Student applications will be due by 6:00 p.m. ET on **November 05, 2015**Applications will be accepted via NSPIRES after September 10, 2015:
http://tinyurl.com/NSTRF2016



U.S. citizens and permanent residents only. PS-00885-1012

NASA Space Technology Research Fellowships



Eligibility Requirements for NSTRF16

- 1. Pursuing or seeking to pursue advanced degrees directly related to space technology.
- 2. Are U.S. citizens or permanent residents of the U.S.
- 3. Are or will be enrolled in a full-time master's or doctoral degree program at an accredited U.S. university in fall 2015.
- 4. Are early in their graduate careers.

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NSTRF13: http://tinyurl.com/NSTRF13. NSTRF12: http://tinyurl.com/NSTRF12-OCT.

NSTRF11: http://tinyurl.com/NSTRF11-OCT.

Application Components

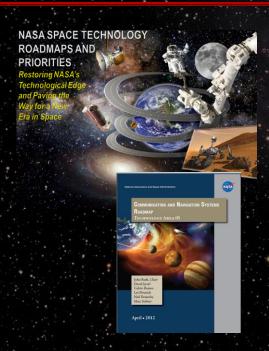
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2 Personal Statement	6	Transcripts
3 Project Narrative	7	GRE General Test Scores
4 Degree Program Schedule	8	Three Letters of Recommendation

Award Value

Fellowship Budget Category	Max value
Student Stipend	\$36,000
Faculty Advisor Allowance	\$10,000
Visiting Technologist Experience Allowance	\$10,000
Health Insurance Allowance	\$1,000
Tuition and Fees Allowance	\$17,000
TOTAL	\$74,000

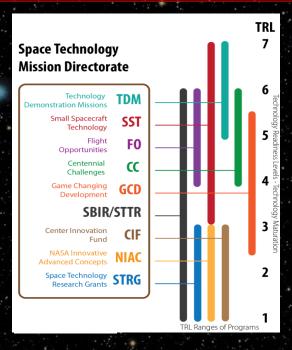
Early Career Faculty and Early Stage Innovations Opportunities





Technical Characteristics:

- Unique, disruptive or transformational space technologies
- Low TRL
- Specific topics tied to Technology Area Roadmaps
- Big impact at the system level: performance, weight, cost, reliability, operational simplicity or other figures of merit associated with space flight hardware or missions



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Eligibility Summary:

Both ECF and ESI proposals must be submitted by accredited U.S. universities

Early Career Faculty

- PI must be recent Ph.D. (last 7 years)
- Untenured assistant professor and on tenure track
- U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- No co-investigators

Early Stage Innovations

- PI must be from proposing university
- Co-investigators are permitted
- ≥ 50% of the proposed budget must go to the proposing university
- ≥ 70% of the proposed budget must go to universities

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NASA Research

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Getting Started

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