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Space Launch System The Future of Exploration

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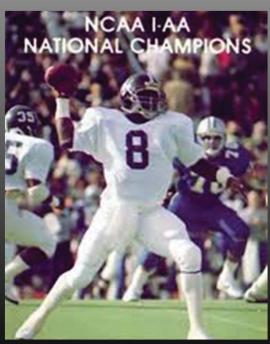
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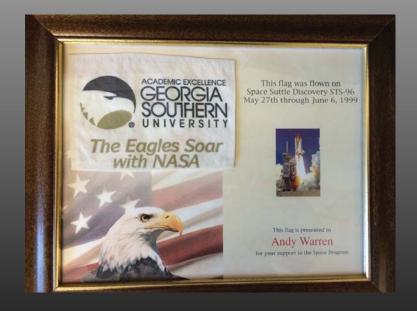




From Georgia Southern to Today











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EARTH RELIANT

MISSION: 6 TO 12 MONTHS RETURN TO EARTH: HOURS

PROVING GROUND

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MARS READY

MISSION: 2 TO 3 YEARS
RETURN TO EARTH: MONTHS



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Expanding capabilities by visiting an asteroid redirected to a lunar distant retrograde orbit

The next step: traveling beyond low-Earth orbit with the Space Launch System rocket and Orion spacecraft



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—NASA 2014 Strategic Plan

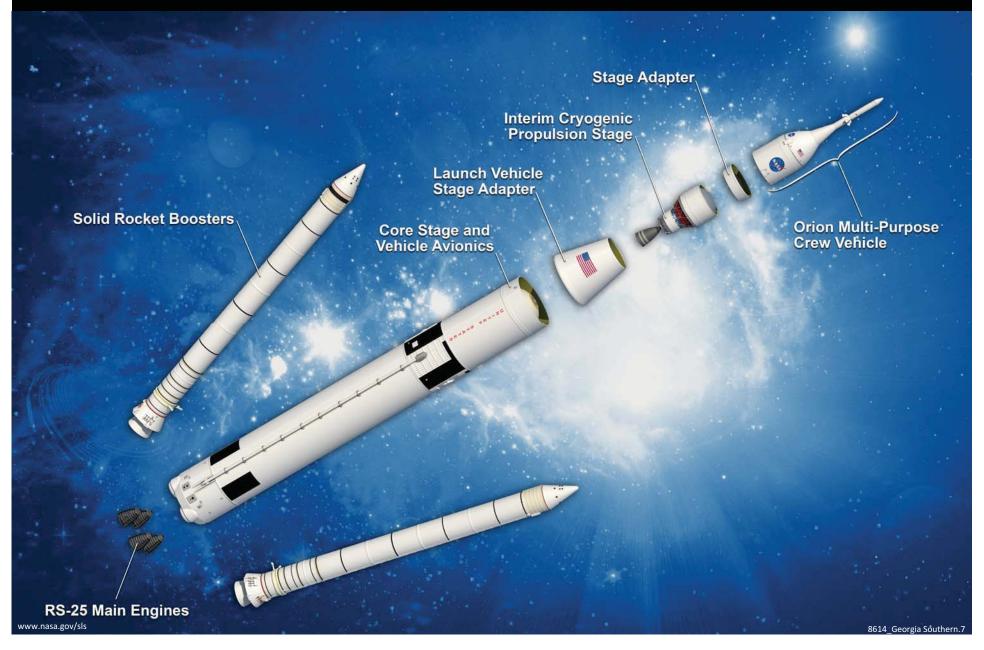


SLS is the first step in the journey to Mars



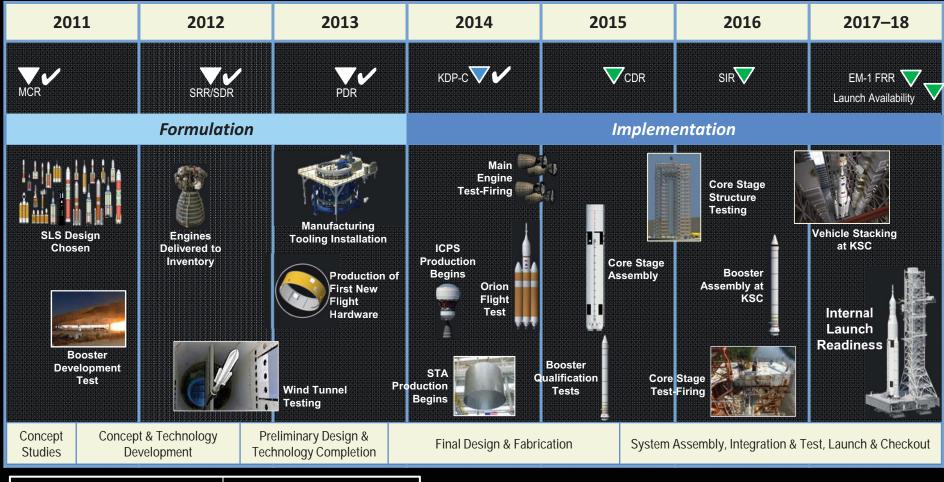


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SLS Development Schedule



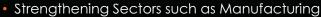
MCR: Mission Concept Review	CDR: Critical Design Review
SRR: System Requirements Review	SIR: System Integration Review
SDR: System Definition Review	FRR: Flight Readiness Review
PDR: Preliminary Design Review	PLAR: Post-Launch Asses. Review

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SLS Nationwide Team

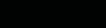




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—Tony
Antonelli





Preparing for First Flight

Launch Vehicle Stage Adapter (Teledyne Brown): Contract awarded in February 2014.

Avionics (Boeing): Avionics "first light" marked in January 2014; currently testing most powerful flight system computer processor ever.





MPCV-to-Stage Adapter:

First flight hardware currently in Florida for Exploration Flight Test-1 in Fall 2014.

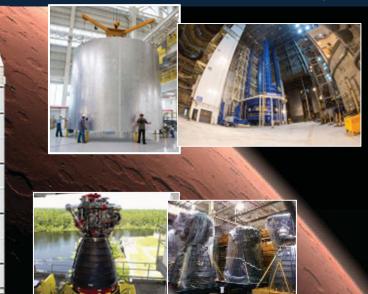
Core Stage (Boeing): Initial confidence barrels and domes completed; Vertical Assembly Center will be completed in September 2014.



Boosters (ATK): Forward Skirt test completed May 2014; preparations underway for QM-1.



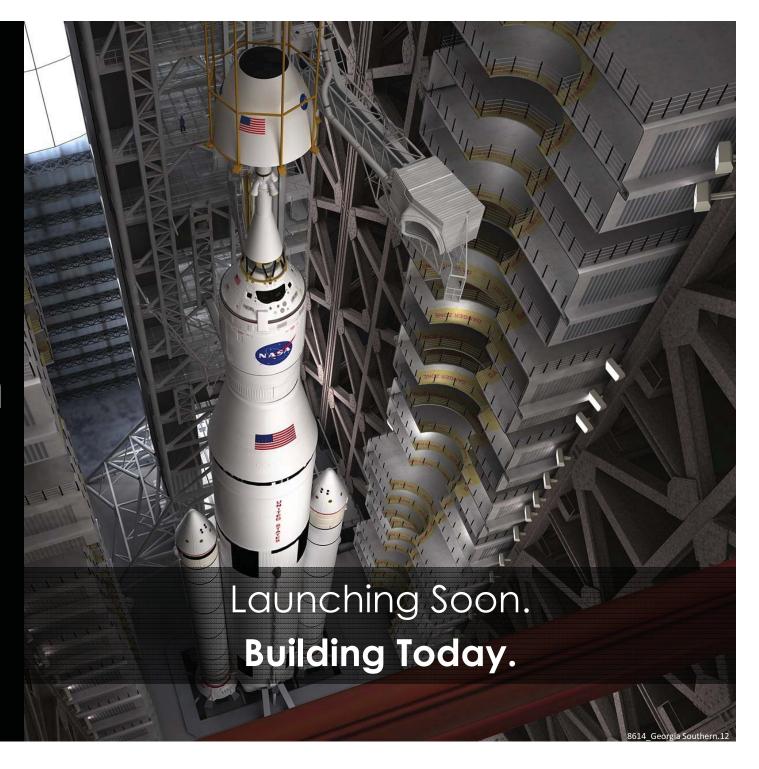




Engines (Aerojet Rocketdyne): First RS-25 engine fitted to A-1 stand at Stennis Space Center; testing begins Fall 2014.



NASA's Space Launch System





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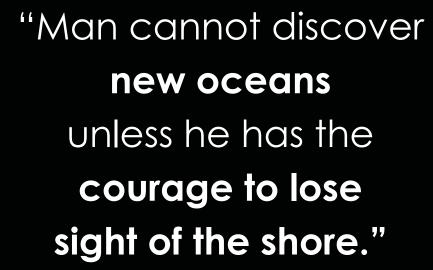


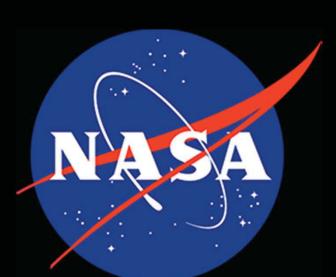
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