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Integrates Technology Investment Across the Agency

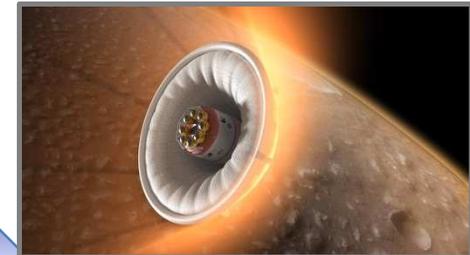


Leads Tech Transfer, Partnerships and Commercialization Activities Across the Agency

Space Technology: Investments in Our Future



- **Enabling Our Future in Space:** By investing in high payoff, disruptive technology that industry cannot tackle today, *Space Technology* matures the technology required for NASA's future missions in science and exploration while proving the capabilities and lowering the cost for other government agencies and commercial space activities.
- **NASA at the Cutting Edge:** Pushing the boundaries of aerospace technology and seizing opportunities, *Space Technology* allows NASA and our Nation to remain at the cutting edge.





Space Technology Programs

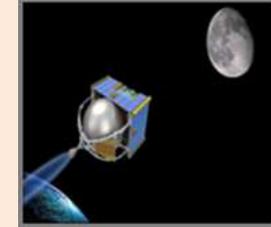
Transformative &
Crosscutting
Technology
Breakthroughs



**Game Changing
Development Program**



**Technology
Demonstration
Missions Program**



**Small Spacecraft
Technologies Program**

Pioneering Concepts/
Developing
Innovation
Community



**Space Technology
Research Grant Program**



**NASA Innovative
Advanced Concepts
(NIAC) Program**



**Center Innovation Fund
Program**

Creating Markets &
Growing Innovation
Economy



**Centennial Challenges
Prize Program**



**Small Business Innovation Research
& Small Business Technology
Transfer (SBIR/STTR) Program**



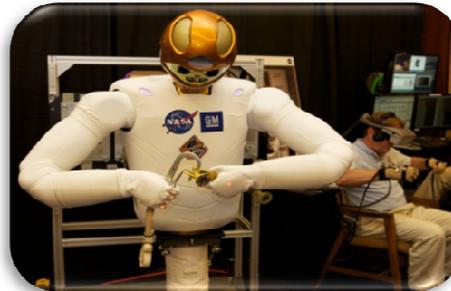
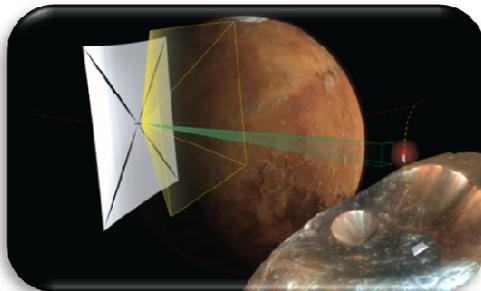
**Flight Opportunities
Program**

Guiding Principles of the Space Technology Program



Space Technology Program

- **Adheres to a Stakeholder Based Investment Strategy:** NASA Strategic Plan, NASA Space Technology Roadmaps / NRC Report and Strategic Space Technology Investment Plan
- **Invests in a Comprehensive Portfolio:** Covers low to high TRL, student fellowships, grants, prize competitions, prototype developments, and technology demonstrations
- **Advances Transformative and Crosscutting Technologies:** Enabling or broadly applicable technologies with direct infusion into future missions
- **Selects Using Merit Based Competition:** Research, innovation and technology maturation open to academia, industry, NASA centers and other government agencies
- **Executes with Structured Projects:** Clear start and end dates, defined budgets and schedules, established milestones, and project authority and accountability.
- **Infuses Rapidly or Fails Fast:** Rapid cadence of technology maturation and infusion, informed risk tolerance to infuse as quickly as possible
- **Positions NASA at the cutting edge of technology:** Results in new inventions, enables new capabilities and creates a pipeline of innovators for National needs



Space Technology FY 2013 President's Budget Request



Budget Authority (\$M)	FY 2012	FY 2013	Notional			
	Appropriation		FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
FY 2013 President's Budget Request	573.7	699.0	699.0	699.0	699.0	699.0
<u>Partnership Development and Strategic Integration</u>	<u>29.5</u>	<u>29.5</u>	<u>29.5</u>	<u>29.5</u>	<u>29.5</u>	<u>29.5</u>
<u>SBIR/STTR</u>	<u>166.7</u>	<u>173.7</u>	<u>181.9</u>	<u>187.2</u>	<u>195.3</u>	<u>206.0</u>
<u>Crosscutting Space Technology Development</u>	<u>187.7</u>	<u>293.8</u>	<u>272.1</u>	<u>266.6</u>	<u>259.7</u>	<u>247.0</u>
Early Stage Innovation	39.8	59.0	61.0	61.0	61.0	61.0
CSTD Game Changing Technology	61.5	66.7	73.7	69.1	58.4	58.4
CSTD Technology Demonstration Missions	65.3	128.9	103.4	102.5	106.3	93.6
Edison/Franklin Small Satellites	11.2	24.2	19.0	19.0	19.0	19.0
Flight Opportunities	10.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0
<u>Exploration Technology Development</u>	<u>189.9</u>	<u>202.0</u>	<u>215.5</u>	<u>215.7</u>	<u>214.5</u>	<u>216.5</u>
ETD Game Changing Technology	111.2	104.0	70.5	79.8	85.9	90.9
ETD Technology Demonstration Missions	78.7	98.0	145.0	135.9	128.6	125.6

Space Technology Status



- **Space Technology included in NASA Authorization Act of 2010**
- **FY 2011 Operating Plan funded STP at approximately \$350M**
- **FY 2012 Space Technology Program funded at \$575M**
- **The Space Technology Program formulated a “Portfolio” with 10 programs:**
 - Combination of new programs and existing programs
 - Combination of directed and new, competitively selected content
 - 400 NASA employees in FY 2011; 900 NASA employees in FY 2012
- **Portfolio Commitment Agreement signed August 2011**
- **FY2011 & FY2012 solicitations released**
- **Over 1000 projects in execution from continued projects & FY11 awards**
 - 30 NASA Innovative Advanced Concepts (NIAC)
 - 80 Space Technology Research Grants (STRG) - Fellowships
 - ~750 SBIR/STTR
 - ~100 Center Innovation Fund (CIF)
 - 2 Centennial Challenges
 - 1 Small Spacecraft
 - 23 Flight Opportunities (FO)
 - ~30 Game Changing Developments (GCD)
 - 9 Technology Demonstration Missions (TDM)

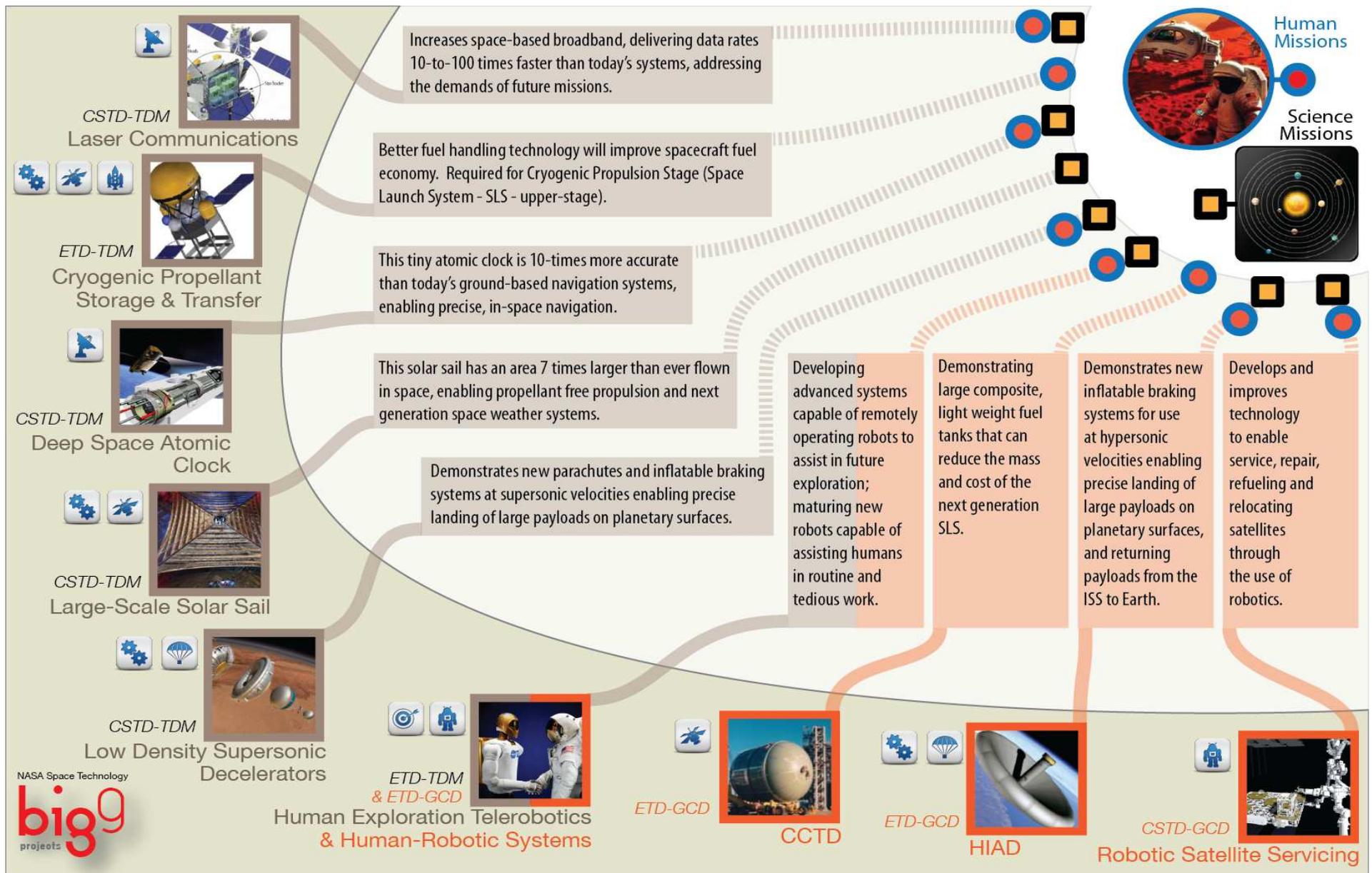
FY 2012 Solicitation Status



	FY 11 Status	FY 12 Solicitation Date	FY 12 Award Date	FY 12 # of awards
STRG Fellowships	80 awards made – all continuing	Nov 2011	Aug 2012	48
STRG Early Career Faculty	NA	Feb 2011	Sep 2012	~10
STRG Early Stage Innovation	NA	May 2012	Oct 2012	~10
NIAC Phase I	30 awards	Feb 2012	Jul 2012	~20
NIAC Phase II	NA	Mar 2012	Jul 2012	~10
SBIR / STTR Phase I	450 / 45 awards	Jul 2011	Nov 2011	260 / 40
SBIR / STTR Phase II	239 / 27 awards	Jul 2011	Dec 2011	85 / 10
Centennial Challenges	Green aviation prize award	NA	Robotics Challenge Jun 2012	10 teams – no winner
FO Flight Services	7	NA	NA	NA
FO Payloads	16	Jun 2011 / Dec 2011	Oct 2011 / Mar 2012	9 / 24
GCD / FO Payloads	NA	Feb 2012	Jul 2012	14
Small Spacecraft	NA	Feb 2012	Aug 2012	~2-4
GCD Unique & Innovative	1 award	open	open	2 + ~3-4
GCD Solar Array	NA	Apr 2012	Aug 2012	~1-3
TDM Green Propellants	3 awards	Feb 2012	Jul 2012	~1

Red text implies anticipated dates and award numbers

Current (FY2012) Big Nine Programs

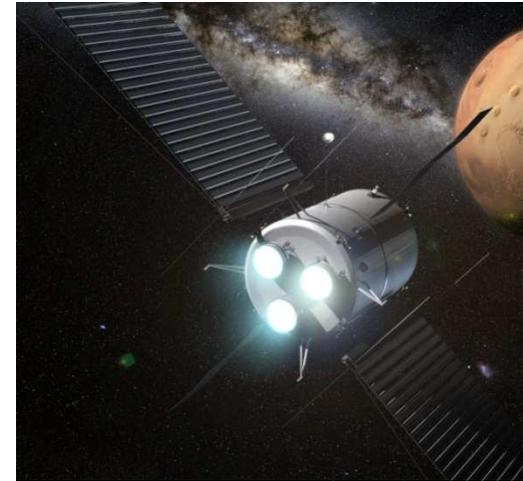


FY12 Awards for Solar Array Systems & Green Propellants



Solar Array Systems

- High Power Solar Electric Propulsion (SEP) is a required architecture element within the human exploration roadmap
- STP will develop critical technologies and demonstrate an integrated SEP system that is extensible to human exploration missions at 300kW
- GCD recently released BAA for ground demonstration of large-scale Solar Array Systems
 - Phase 1 will involve design, development, analysis and ground testing of candidate systems
 - TDM will conduct a follow on Phase 2 development of the Solar Array Systems technologies that concludes with an ISS demo



Green Propellants

- Hydrazine fuel is used extensively for space systems. However, hydrazine is highly corrosive and toxic. Alternatives to hydrazine are at a tipping point and ready for infusion.
 - TDM recently released Broad Agency Announcement for demonstration of Green Propellant Alternatives to Hydrazine
 - Green propellant alternatives to hydrazine a key driver in expanding the capabilities of smaller spacecraft systems

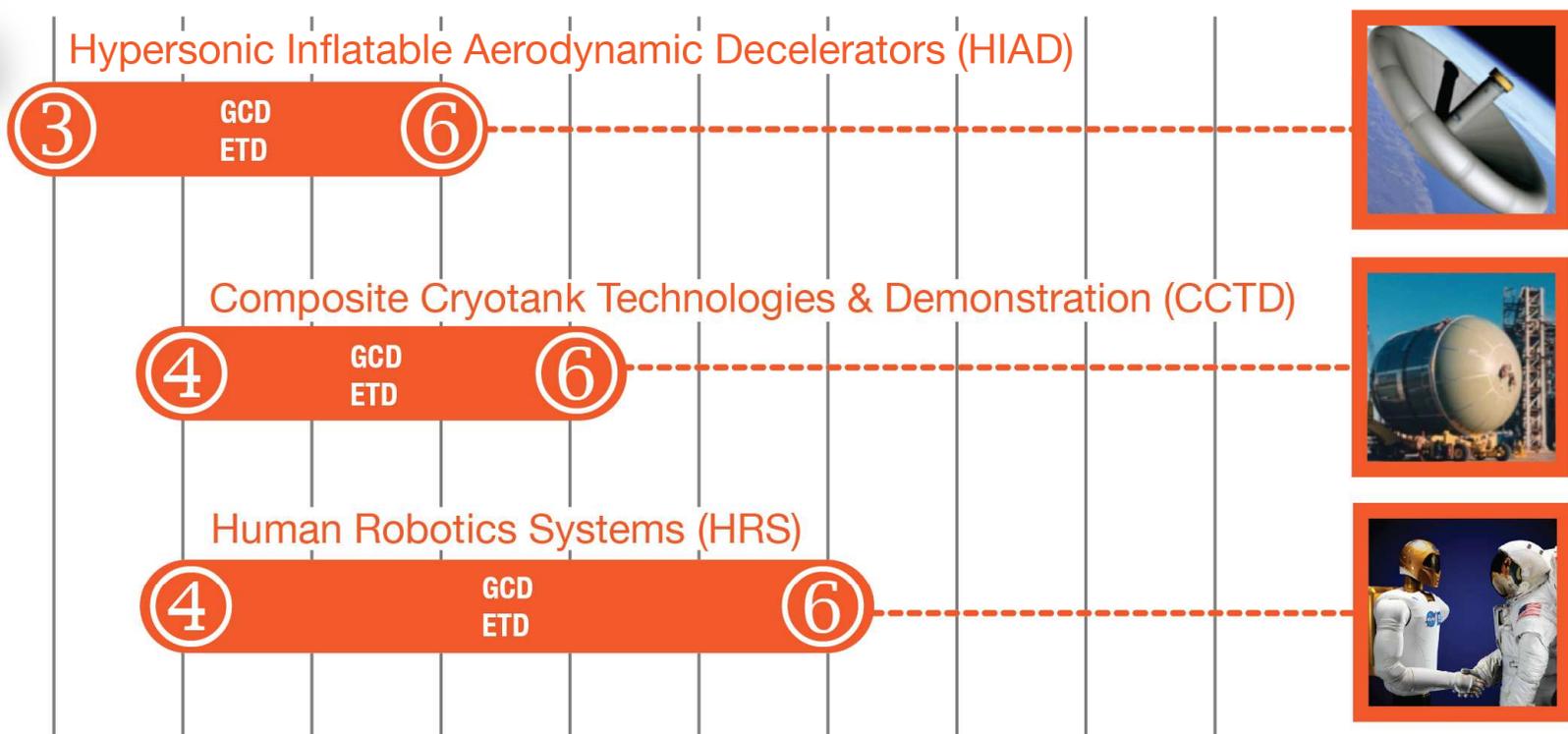


NASA Space Technology Program: GCD's 3 of the Big 9 STP Projects



YEAR FY 10 FY 11 FY 12 FY 13 FY 14 FY 15 FY 16 FY 17 FY 18 FY 19

NASA Space Technology
big9
projects
GCD subset



TRL
Technology Readiness Level
⑨
⑧
⑦
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⑤
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GCD • Game Changing Development Program
ETD • Exploration Technology Development Line Item
Note: HRS has a Technology Demonstration Missions counterpart

NASA Space Technology Program

GCD's 3 of the Big 9 STP Projects



Hypersonic Inflatable Aerodynamic Decelerator (HIAD)

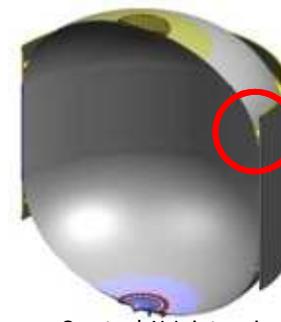
- **IRVE-3:** was shipped to Wallops Flight Facility 6/31; Completed an MRR on (7/13); Followed by a successful STP KDP-E on (7/16); The IRVE-3 successfully launched on 7/23.
- **3-m aeroshell:** completed flexible TPS testing in LCAT facility.
- **HIAD 6-m inflatable structure:** completed testing in the NFAC facility.



IRVE-3

Composite Cryotank Technologies & Demonstration (CCTD)

- Identified Y-Joint insufficient margin of safety; Solution: use of softening strip.
- Completed coupon testing, which will feed into additional analyses to validate improved margin of safety for the 5.5 m diameter cryotank y-joint region.



Cryotank Y-Joint region



Softening strip

Human Robotic Systems (HRS)

- **Rover Ballistic Cannon:** assembly was completed successfully.
- **Centaur 2:** Operation over 4 days; long distances (1.5 km); with limited communications (1 Mbps). Integration testing in preparation.
- **Grapple arm:** First prototype with anchoring device for soft regolith on ATHLETE



Ballistic Cannon

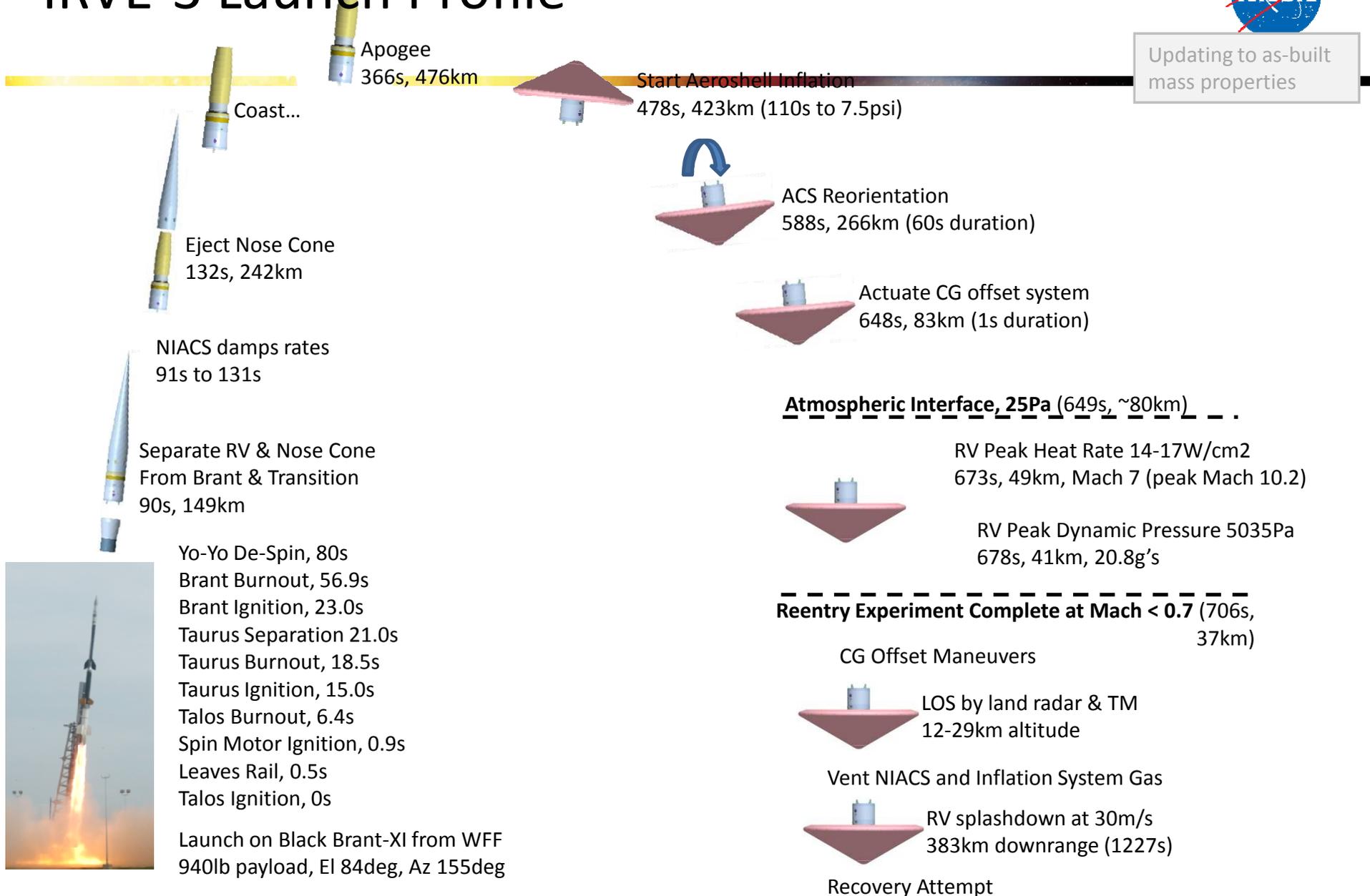


ATHLETE's wheels

IRVE-3 Launch Profile



Updating to as-built mass properties



TDM Big 9

MILESTONES/ACCOMPLISHMENTS



Cryogenic Propellant Storage and Transfer (CPST):

(Project in requirements and mission definition phase)

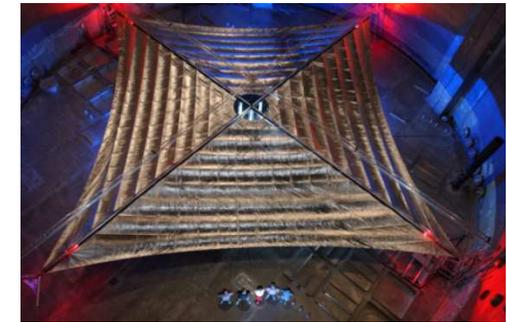
- Successfully completed Mission Concept Review (MCR)
- Advancing five Cryo technologies from TRL4 to TRL5 with Technology Maturation Activities completing in FY12
- Progressing development of Ground Test Article (GTA) to support integrated system performance assessment in FY13



Solar Sail Demonstration (SSD):

(Project in preliminary design phase)

- Successfully completed Mission Concept Review (MCR)
- Successfully completed preliminary design and for upcoming Preliminary Design Review (PDR)
- Developed and validated sail coating process
- Fabricated short boom sections and compression tested
- Built 94ft long test boom as a packaging demonstration process



Solar Sail in vacuum chamber

Low Density Supersonic Decelerator (LDSD):

(Project in preliminary design phase)

- Completed SIAD Development Verification (SDV) test series at China Lake
- Initiated Parachute Development Verification (PDV) test series at China Lake



LDSD rocket test sled to demonstrate supersonic inflatables

TDM Big 9

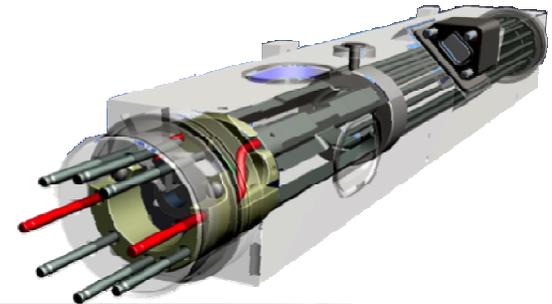
MILESTONES/ACCOMPLISHMENTS



Deep Space Atomic Clock (DSAC):

(Project in Preliminary Design Phase)

- Successfully completed Systems Requirements Review (SRR)
- Completing preliminary design of Physics Package for upcoming sub-system PDR
- Working access to space to initiate needed hosting agreement



Laser Communications Relay Demonstrator (LCRD):

(Project in pre-formulation phase)

- Completed Flight Terminal hardware development laboratories
- Progressing with partners to establish mission scope



Human Exploration Telerobotics (HET):

(Project in implementation phase)

- Demonstrated ground control of R2 robot manipulating power panel, IVA interface and soft goods on ISS
- Demonstrated ground control of SPHERES performing IVA survey on ISS
- Completing final preparations to demonstrate ISS crew control of surface robot (K-10 Rover at ARC)



R2 task panel demonstration

HET Key Milestones



FY11 (ETDD)

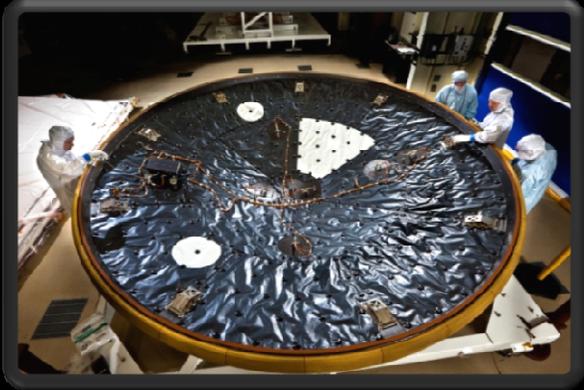
FY12 (TDM)

FY13 (TDM)

TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATORS

		Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept																
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		Ground Control Operations																																																			
IVA DEXTEROUS MANIPULATOR		R2 to ISS STS-133 ◆		R2 safety check out ◆										R2 baseline check out ◆										R2 demo: Ground conducts IVA & small scale dexterous manipulation tasks (GC 1.1) ◆										R2 legs ready for upmass ◆										R2 demo: Ground conducts complex IVA & simulated EVA manipulation tasks (GC 1.2) ◆									
IVA FREE-FLYER MOBILE SENSOR		Smartphone to ISS STS-135 ◆										Smartphone camera checkout ◆										SPHERES demo: Ground conducts ISS survey (GC 2.1) ◆										SPHERES demo: Ground conducts mobile camera + crew interviews (GC 2.2) ◆																					
		Crew Centric Operations																																																			
SIMULATED EVA DEXTEROUS MANIPULATOR		R2 teleop gear to ISS on 45P ◆										R2 demo: Crew conducts simulated EVA repairs with teleop gear (CC 3.1) ◆																																									
SIMULATED EVA FREE-FLYER MOBILE SENSOR												Google NRSAA: Android apps & E/PO ◆										SPHERES demo: Crew conducts simulated EVA inspection using Smartphone controller (CC 4.1) ◆																															
SURFACE TELEROBOTS												ESA / Meteron: Draft interagency agreement ◆										Surface telerobotics ground demo: K10 rover telescope deployment ◆										Surface telerobotics demo: Crew conducts surface scouting with K10 robot (CC 5.1) ◆																					

Flying, Building, Testing Technologies For Tomorrow



Space Technology Research Grants (STRG) Program Overview

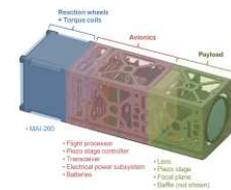
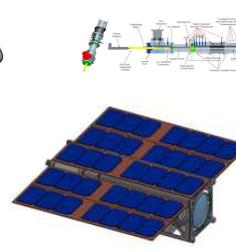
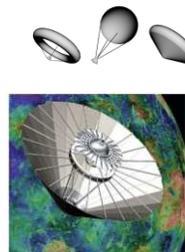


PROGRAM: To accelerate the development of push technologies through innovative efforts with high risk/high payoff and develop the next generation of innovators through:

- **Space Technology Research Opportunities – Early Stage Innovation (STRO-ESI):** technology portfolio of groundbreaking research in advanced space technology
- **NASA Space Technology Research Fellowships (NSTRF):** Competitive selection of U.S Citizen / permanent resident graduate students developing promising technologies in support of future NASA missions and strategic goals

ACCOMPLISHMENTS/MILESTONES (FY 2012/2013):

- STRO-ESI: One year awards with possible renewals; ~\$200K/year
- NSTRF: 80 Fellows in inaugural class; NSTRF12 class will be in place ~ August 2012



STRGP Solicitations Summary



Space Technology Research Opportunities

One or more Solicitations Released Annually

- **FY12 Released Solicitations**

- **STRO- *Early Career Faculty*; \$200k/Year, 1-3 years, Expect ~10 Awards**

Specific High-priority Technologies in these Topic Areas:

TA05- Communication and Navigation Systems

TA06- Human Health, Life Support, Habitation Systems

TA07- Human Exploration Destination Systems

TA12- Materials, Structures, Mechanical Systems, and Manufacturing

(More info at <http://tinyurl.com/NASAECE>)

- **STRO- *Early Stage Innovations*; Up to \$250k/Year, 1-2 years, Expect ~10 Awards**

Topic Areas:

Space Radiation- **Topic 1-** Radiation Protection Systems; **Topic 2-** Radiation Monitoring Technology

Thermal Management Systems- **Topic 3-** Active Thermal Control of Cryogenic Systems; **Topic 4-** Heat Radiation

Optical Systems- **Topic 5-** Active Wavefront Control; **Topic 6-** Grazing-Incidence Optical Systems

(More info at <http://tinyurl.com/NASAESI>)



NASA Space Technology Research Fellowships

One Solicitation Released Annually; Up to \$66k/Year including faculty support, travel, and NASA Mentor

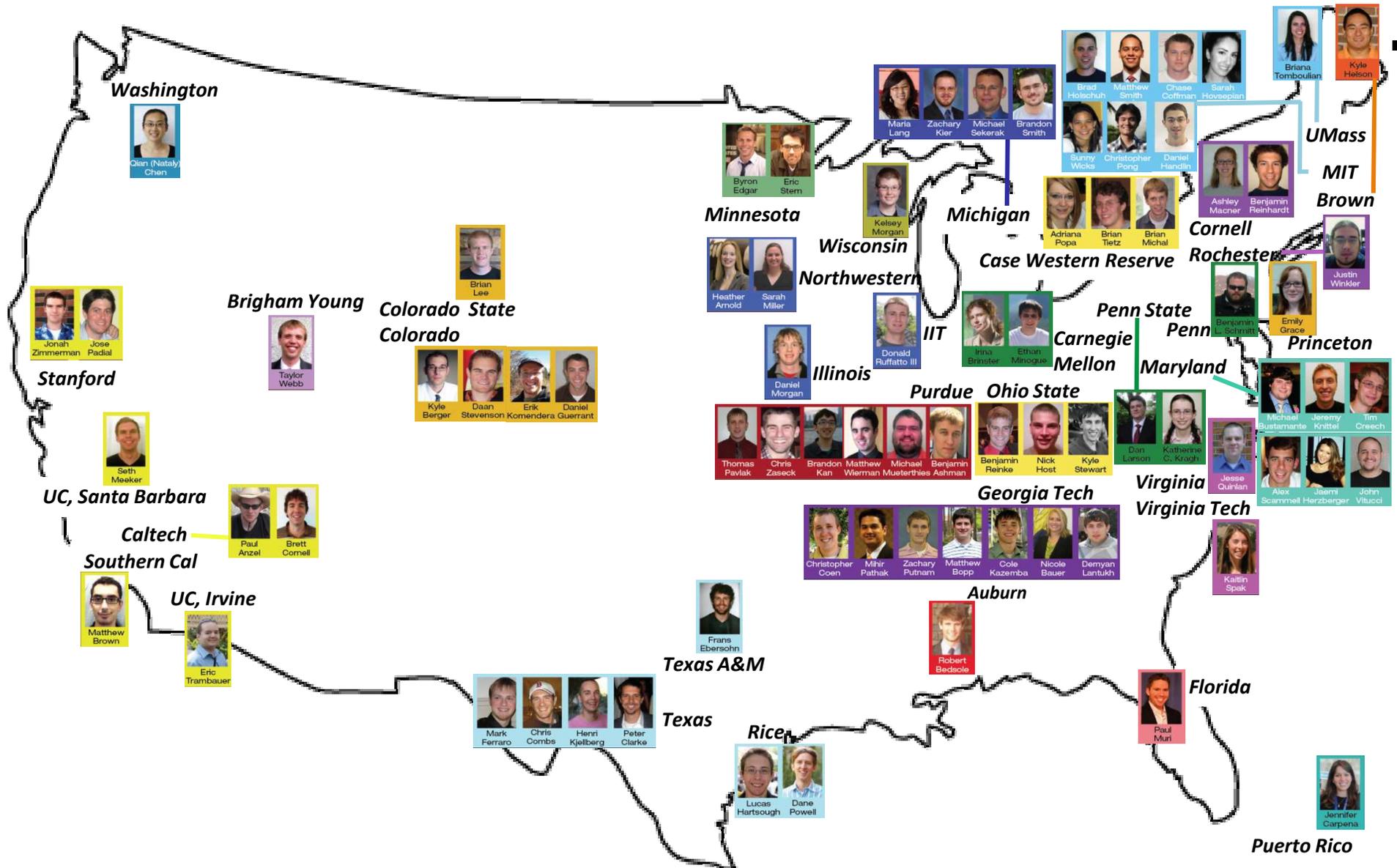
- **FY11 - NSTRF11** (More info at <http://tinyurl.com/NSTRF11-OCT>)

- **FY12 - NSTRF12** (More info at <http://tinyurl.com/NSTRF12-OCT>)

The Inaugural NSTRF Class of 2011



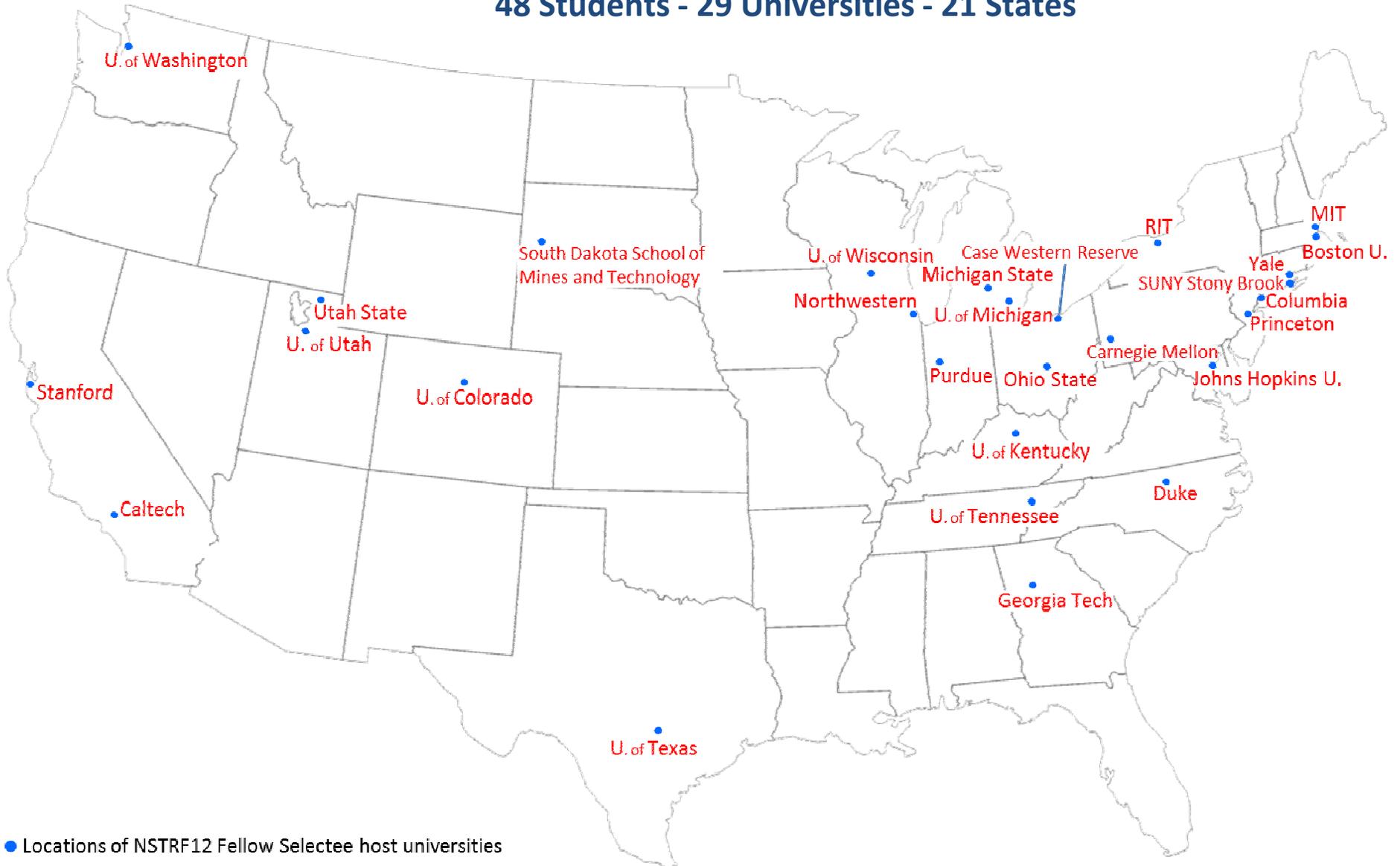
80 Students - 37 Universities - 22 States and U.S. Territories



NSTRF Class of 2012



48 Students - 29 Universities - 21 States



Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer (SBIR/STTR)



- **PROGRAM:** Stimulate technological innovation and support NASA's innovative research to develop technologies for NASA projects while spurring economic growth through commercialization.
- **ACCOMPLISHMENTS/MILESTONES (FY 2012/2013):**
 - Awarded 258 SBIR Phase 1 projects to firms across 37 states and 83 SBIR Phase 2 projects to firms across 26 states
 - Awarded 40 STTR Phase I projects with firms and research institutions across a total of 16 states
 - Selected 10 STTR Phase 2 proposals for negotiation for awards, with firms and research institutions across a total of 9 states. Final awards expected mid-summer 2012.
 - Supported 17 projects with Phase 2E awards in FY 2012
 - Working with Small Business Administration (SBA) to assess implementation of new requirements in recent SBIR/STTR Reauthorization. Expecting Policy Guidelines from SBA in accordance with schedule from reauthorization. SBA anticipates an interim final policy directive by June 30, 2012. NASA's next SBIR/STTR solicitation is expected to be release in late summer 2012.



NASA Innovative Advanced Concepts (NIAC) Program Overview



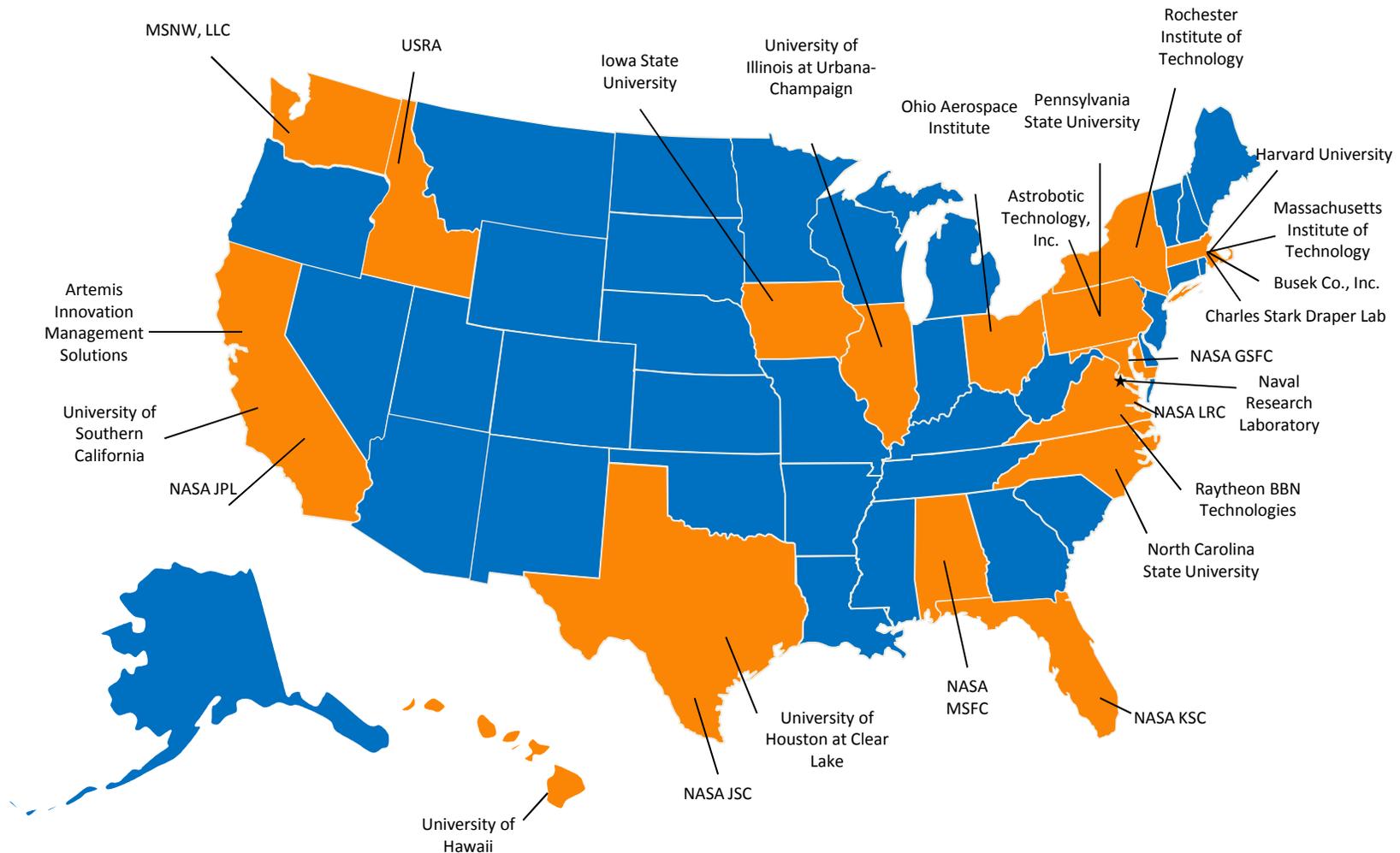
- **PROGRAM: NASA Innovative Advanced Concepts (NIAC)** funds early studies of visionary, long term concepts - aerospace architectures, systems, or missions (not focused technologies). The intended scope is very early concepts: Technology Readiness Level 1-2 or early 3; 10+ years focus
- **ACCOMPLISHMENTS/ MILESTONES (2012-2013):**
 - Jan 9 -- NIAC Phase I NRA released
 - March 27-29 -- NIAC Spring Symposium in Pasadena, CA
 - April 3 -- NIAC Phase II NRA released
 - July -- announce Phase I and II selections
 - Sept 1 -- FY12 studies (Phase I and II) commence
 - Sept 30 -- FY11 final reports due



NIAC: Funding Innovation across the Nation



Exploring new concepts to expand aerospace possibilities



Flight Opportunities Program Overview



- **FLIGHT OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM:** Develops and provides opportunities for space technologies to be demonstrated and validated in relevant environments. Fosters the development of the commercial reusable suborbital transportation industry.
- **ACCOMPLISHMENTS/MILESTONES (FY 2012/2013):**
 - Establishing a pipeline of technology payloads to utilize the anticipated commercial suborbital flight opportunities
 - Selected 49 payloads from three rounds of payload calls (Periodic Call for Payloads)
 - Selected 14 technology development and vehicle enhancement proposals in partnership with Game Changing Development
 - Formed Partnership with New Mexico Space Grants for flying Student Payloads
 - Development of Commercial Vertical Testbed
 - Integration of Draper Labs Technology on Masten Space Systems' Vehicle
 - Successfully completed a free-flight demonstration in Feb 2012
- Planned commercial flight opportunities in 2012 and 2013
 - Four Parabolic Flight Campaigns (May, Aug, Sep, and Oct 2012)
 - Flights on Masten Space Systems, Near Space Corp, UP Aerospace, and Virgin Galactic
 - Qualification flights of Armadillo Aerospace, Whittinghill Aerospace, and XCOR Aerospace



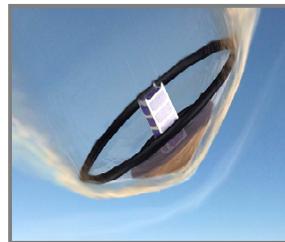
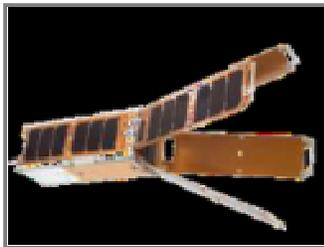
Small Satellite Demonstration Mission Program



EDISON SMALL SATELLITE DEMONSTRATION MISSIONS PROGRAM: Low-cost flight demonstrations of new capabilities and technologies for small spacecraft.

- **ACCOMPLISHMENTS/MILESTONES (FY 2012/2013):**

- Preparing PhoneSat 1.0 for launch in Summer 2012 demonstrating use of commercial smart phones for onboard satellite navigation, control and communications
- Began development of EtherSat mission to demonstrate capabilities of satellite swarms for a range of missions projected launch in 2013
- Released open solicitation for proposed small spacecraft demonstration missions for communications, propulsion and proximity operations
 - Selecting projects for award in August 2012
 - 2 to 3 year projects, up to \$15 million per project



Space Technology: Investments in Our Future



- **Through NASA, America Continues to Dream Big:** NASA's future aeronautics, science and exploration missions are grand in scope and bold in stature.
- **Technological leadership is the "Space Race" of the 21st Century:** NASA's *Space Technology* investments will stimulate the economy and build our Nation's global economic competitiveness through the creation of new products and services, new business and industries, and high-quality, sustainable jobs.
- **NASA makes a difference in our lives every day:** Knowledge provided by weather and navigational spacecraft, efficiency improvements in both ground and air transportation, super computers, solar- and wind-generated energy, the cameras found in many of today's cell phones, improved biomedical applications including advanced medical imaging and even more nutritious infant formula, as well as the protective gear that keeps our military, firefighters and police safe, have all benefitted from our nation's investments in aerospace technology.
- **The Nation's investments in *Space Technology* enable NASA to make a difference in the world around us.**

