

## **Major Highlights**







The PhoneSat 2.5 mission will be launched as a rideshare on SpaceX vehicle, to demonstrate command and control capability of operational satellites.

Successfully fabricated a 5.5-meter composite cryogenic propellant tank and testing at Boeing's facility in Washington and will continue testing at NASA MSFC this year.









NASA engineers successfully hot-fire tested a 3-D printed rocket engine injector at NASA GRC, marking one of the first steps in using additive manufacturing for space travel.





ISS Fluid SLOSH experiment launched on Antares /Orb-1 on Dec. 18, 2014 and now aboard ISS for testing that will be used to improve our understanding of how liquids behave in microgravity





The Flight Opportunities program enabled flight validation of 35 technologies that were tested in space-like environments on four different flight platforms.

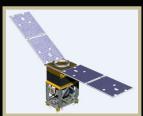




At NASA MSFC, the largest 3-D printed rocket engine injector NASA has ever tested blazed to life at an engine firing that generated a record 20,000 pounds of thrust.

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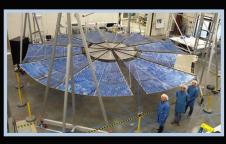




Green Propellant Infusion Mission took another step closer to infusion by proving capabilities for continuous thrust during testing and is preparing for flight test in 2015.









ATK's "MegaFlex" (left) and DSS "ROSA" (right) solar array are two concepts NASA is maturing to support the development of next generation solar arrays in advancing Solar Electric Propulsion (SEP) technology

NASA's built and is sending a set of high-tech legs up to the ISS for Robonaut 2 (R2) that will provide R2 the mobility it needs to help with regular and repetitive tasks inside and outside the space station

Low density supersonic decelerator parachute testing at China Lake, CA. Successfully demonstrated ability to deploy and pull a large parachute with 90,000 pounds of force taking the next steps to landing on Mars.







Surface Telerobotics-First real-time remote operations of a robotic rover from space and first simulation of human-robot waypoint mission

## **Space Technology Portfolio**



**Transformative & Crosscutting Technology Breakthroughs** 

Pioneering Concepts/Developing InOffice of the munity

**Creating Markets & Growing Innovation Economy** 

### **Technology Demonstration**

**Game Changing** 

**Development** seeks to

entirely new approaches for the

identify and rapidly mature

missions.

Missions bridges the gap between early proof-of-concept tests and the final infusion of costeffective, 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.



#### **Center Innovation Fund**

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** Concepts (NIAC) nurtures

visionary ideas that could transform future NASA missions with the creation of breakthroughs—radically better or entirely new aerospace concepts—while engaging America's innovators and entrepreneurs as





#### Space Technology Research Grants 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.



sources advancing technologies of value to NASA's missions and to the aerospace community. The program offers challenges set up as competitions that award prize money to the individuals or teams that achieve a specified

**Centennial Challenges** 

directly engages nontraditional

technology challenge.



#### **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.



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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### **Deep Space Exploration is Near**



Space Technology will focus investments in 8 key thrust areas that will enable or substantially enhance future NASA mission capabilities.



High Power Solar Electric Propulsion

Deep space human exploration, science missions and commercial applications with investments in advanced solar arrays and advanced electric propulsion systems, highpower Hall thrusters and power processing units.



Space Optical Comm.

Substantially increase the available bandwidth for near Earth space communications currently limited by power and frequency allocation restrictions, and increase the communications throughput for a deep space mission.



Advanced
Life Support
& Resource
Utilization

Technologies for human exploration mission including Mars atmospheric In-situ resource utilization, near closed loop air revitalization and water recovery, EVA gloves and radiation protection.



Mars Entry
Descent and
Landing
Systems

Permits more capable science missions, eventual human missions to mars including, hypersonic and supersonic aerodynamic decelerators, a new generation of compliant TPS materials, retropropulsion technologies, instrumentation and modeling capabilities.



Space Robotic Systems

Creates future humanoid robotics, autonomy and remote operations technologies to substantially augments the capability of future human space flight missions.



Lightweight Space Structures

Targets
substantial
increases in
launch mass, and
allow for large
decreases in
needed
structural mass
for spacecraft
and in-space
structures.



**Deep Space Navigation** 

Allows for more capable science and human exploration missions using advanced atomic clocks, x-ray detectors and fast light optical gyroscopes.

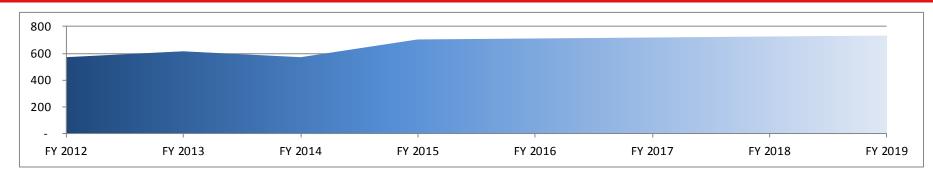


Space Observatory Systems

Allows for significant increases in future science capabilities including, AFTA/WFIRST coronagraph technology to characterize exoplanets by direct observation and advances in the surface materials as well as control systems for large space optics.

## **STMD FY2015 President's Budget**





	Budget Authority (\$M)		Notional				
		FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	
	FY 2015 President's Budget Request	706	713	720	727	734	
ОСТ	Partnership Developments and Strategic Integration	34	34	34	34	34	
Directorate	SBIR and STTR	191	201	212	212	212	
	Crosscutting Space Tech Development	257	190	186	199	204	
)ire	Early Stage Innovation	67	67	68	69	69	
	Flight Opportunities	15	15	15	15	15	
ssic	Small Spacecraft	17	17	17	17	17	
Mi	Game Changing Development	50	45	49	36	39	
Tech Mission	Technology Demonstration Missions	106	46	36	61	63	
Space	Exploration Technology Development	224	288	288	282	285	
S	Game Changing Development	103	129	126	132	129	
	Technology Demonstration Missions	121	159	162	150	1566	

\*Numbers do not total due to rounding

## **CY Major Events & Milestones**





### **Technology Success: Low Density Supersonic Decelerator**





flight demonstration vehicle: **Top.** inflated for dimensional verification: Middle, deflated, being packaged;



Rocket sled testing of roboticsclass supersonic decelerator

Aerodynamic Decelerator (SIAD) onto first

**Bottom**, completed packaging



Successful test firing of Ballute mortar (used to deploy supersonic parachute)

Project Summary: Developing technologies to use atmospheric drag to dramatically slow a vehicle as it penetrates the skies over worlds beyond our own. Developing the largest ever supersonic parachute ever developed for Mars entry – potential infusion in the Mars 2020 mission.

### **Accomplishments:**

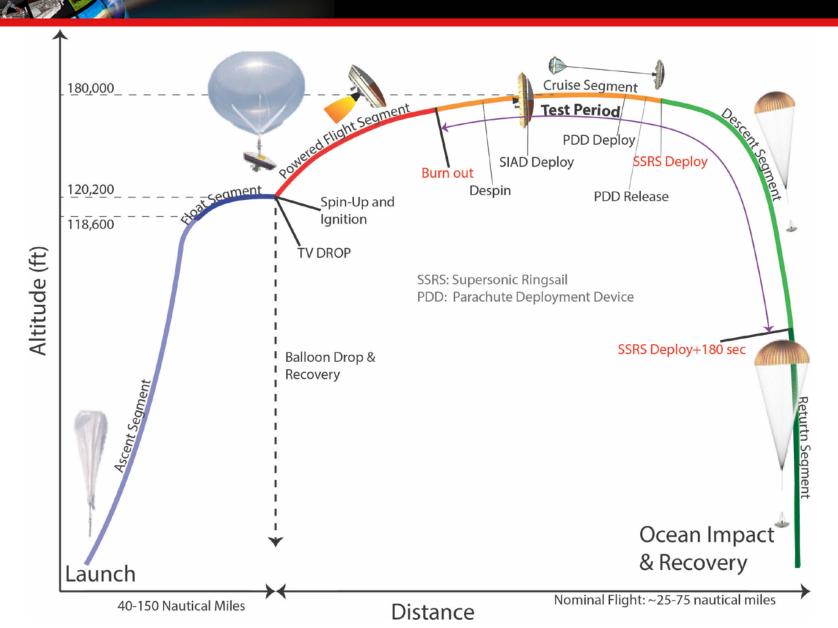
- > Successfully performed two rocket sled tests on a roboticsclass supersonic decelerator
- ➤ Wind tunnel tested 30 different parachute configurations
- Conducted two static balloon launch tests.
- > Successfully tested GLN-MAC navigation computer on two sounding rocket launches
- > Thermal/Vacuum testing of ballute inflation aid and camera system

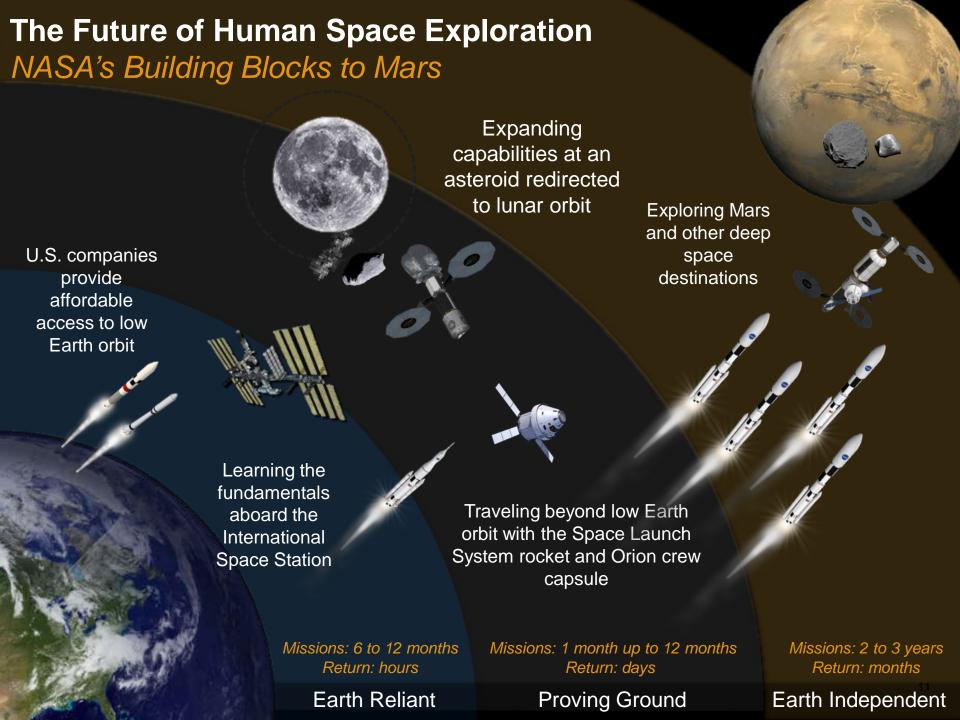
#### Plans:

- > Assembly, Integration & Test of first supersonic flight demonstration vehicle
- > Conduct first ever atmospheric supersonic flight test of an inflatable decelerator system

## LDSD Supersonic Flight Plan June 2014







Asteroid Redirect Mission Provides Capabilities For Deep Space/Mars Missions

High Efficiency Large Solar Arrays

> Solar Electric Propulsion (SEP)

### <u>In-space Power and Propulsion</u>:

- High Efficiency Solar Arrays and SEP advance state of art toward capability required for Mars
- Robotic ARM mission 50kW vehicle components prepare for Mars cargo delivery architectures
- Power enhancements feed forward to Deep Space Habitats and Transit Vehicles

Exploration EVA Capabilities

#### EVA:

- Build capability for future exploration through Primary Life Support System Design which accommodates Mars
- Test sample collection and containment techniques including planetary protection
- Follow-on missions in DRO can provide more capable exploration suit and tools

<u>Crew Transportation and Operations:</u>

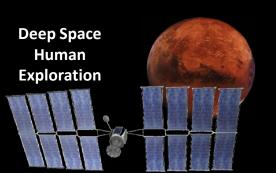
- Rendezvous Sensors and Docking Systems provide a multi-mission capability needed for Deep Space and Mars
- Asteroid Initiative in cis-lunar space is a proving ground for Deep Space operations, trajectory, and navigation.

Deep Space Rendezvous Sensors & Docking Capabilities

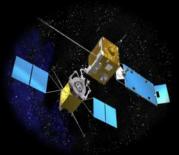


# High-powered SEP Enables Multiple Applications





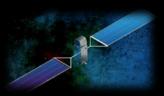
**Satellite Servicing** 



**Payload Delivery** 



Commercial Space Applications



Solar Electric Propulsion

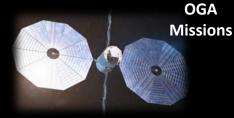
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Orbital Debris Removal



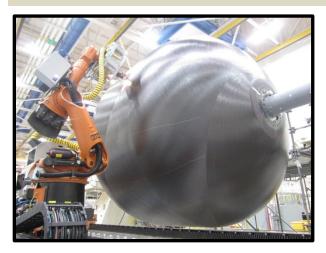
Space Science Missions



## of Space Launch System (SLS) & Orion

- Composite cryogenic propellant tanks and dry structures for SLS block upgrades
- Cryogenic propellant storage and transfer for upper stage block upgrades
- Additive manufacturing and testing of upper stage injectors, combustion chambers and nozzles
- Phase change material heat exchangers for Orion in lunar orbit
- Woven TPS for Orion heat shield compression pads
- Advanced air revitalization for Orion upgrades





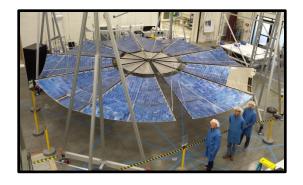




## STMD Investments to Advance Human Exploration of Mars



- ➤ High Powered SEP cargo and logistics transportation to Mars
- CPST either chemical or nuclear thermal in-space propulsion for crew transportation
- Composite cryogenic propellant tanks and dry structures exploration upper stage
- Small Fission Power / Stirling Engine Power Mars surface power
- HIAD / ADEPT deployable entry systems for large mass landers
- LDSD supersonic descent of large landed mass at Mars
- Woven TPS more efficient and flexible TPS materials for entry
- ➤ Advanced close loop Air revitalization and water recovery reduced consumables
- ➤ Mars atmospheric ISRU (oxygen) life support and ascent vehicle oxidizer
- Humanoid robotics enhanced exploration and crew workload relief
- Advanced mobility rover remotely operated exploration
- Optical communications high bandwidth communications at Mars









## STMD Investments to Advance Outer Planetary Exploration

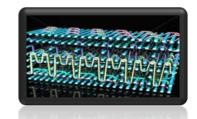








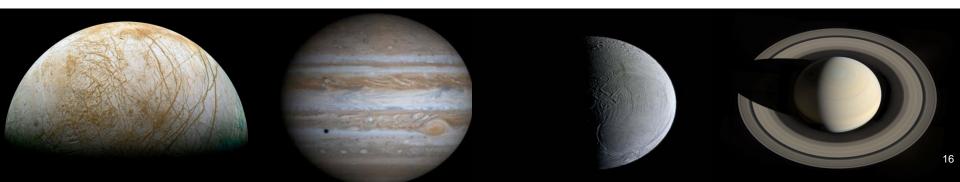




STMD is developing TPS and deep space communication technologies for infusion in SMD's Discovery 2014

### Technologies in FY15

- Deep Space Optical Communications
- Deep Space Atomic Clock
- High Performance Space Computing
- Small Nuclear Fission / Sterling Power (kilo-power)
- Woven TPS for aerocapture and outer-planetary entry
- Europa Ice Penetration Challenge



## **Snapshot of Space Technology Partners**

















































































































### Collaborations with Other Government Agencies N

## NASA

### **Currently, significant engagements include:**

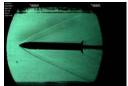
- Green Propellant Infusion Mission partnership with Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL) propellant and rideshare with DoD's Space Test Program (STP)
- Solar Sail Demonstration partnership with NOAA
- ➤ AFRL collaboration Phase I of a High Performance Space Computing for a low power multi-core processor increasing performance a 100 fold.
- Soldier-Warfighter Operationally Responsive Deployer for Space (SWORDS) low-cost nano-launch system with **Army**
- UAS Airspace Operations Prize Challenge coordinated with FAA
- Working with the USAF Operationally Responsive Space Office (ORS) for launch accommodations for the Edison Demonstration of Smallsat Networks (EDSN) mission.
- Partnership for Ohio's first hydrogen generating fueling station with Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority to power city bus
- Partnership with **DARPA** on "Next Generation Humanoid for Disaster Response"
- In discussion with **Dept. of Veteran Affairs** for a collaborative project with (a) "Exoskeleton" and (b) finalizing agreement to have veterans test and evaluate NASA's RoboGlove in the Palo Alto and Cleveland clinics from our Human Robotics Systems Program
- ➤ Collaboration with ARPA-e/Dept. of Energy in new battery chemistries to aide in battery tech development

STMD has **45** activities with **43** other government agencies, and **10** activities with **14** international organizations.
STMD is sharing rides for **13** activities.





















## STMD Partners with Universities to Solve The Nation's Challenges



### U.S. Universities have been very successful in responding to STMD's competitive solicitations

- STMD-funded university space technology research spans the entire roadmap space
- More than 120 U.S. universities have led (or are STTR partners on) more than 450 awards since 2011
- In addition, there are many other partnerships with other universities, NASA Centers and commercial contractors

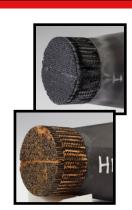
Program	# awards	# University- led awards	Upcoming Opportunities		
Space Technology Research Grants	223	223	<ul> <li>Early Career Faculty</li> <li>Early Stage Innovations</li> <li>NASA Space Technology Research Fellowships         Annually     </li> </ul>		
NIAC	76	21	<ul><li>NIAC Phase I</li><li>NIAC Phase II</li><li>Annually</li></ul>		
Game Changing Technology Dev	32	10	<ul> <li>Various topics released as Appendices to SpaceTech-REDDI</li> </ul> Annually		
Small Spacecraft Technology	22	13	<ul> <li>Smallsat Technology Partnerships Cooperative Agreement Notice every two years, with the next opportunity in 2015</li> </ul>		
Flight Opportunities	114	46	<ul> <li>Announcement of Flight Opportunities - in the future, funded SAAs to U.S. universities, non-profits and industry to pay for flights on their own are planned.</li> </ul>		
STTR	169	159 w/ univ partners	Annual STTR solicitation		
Centennial Challenges	3 Challenges (1 Challenge university-run)	23 teams competed (4 univ-led)	<ul> <li>One or more challenges annually</li> <li>Starting in FY14: challenge competitions with a procurement track to fund university teams via grants</li> </ul>		

## **STMD-SMD Alignment Examples**



### Entry, Descent, & Landing

- MEDLI, MEDLI+ & Entry Systems Modeling Mars EDL systems design
- Woven TPS (HEEET) Venus, Mars & Outer Planets
- Low Density Supersonic Decelerator Increased mass to Mars surface
- Hypersonic Inflatable Aerodynamic Decelerator (HIAD) & Adaptable, Deployable Entry Placement Technology (ADEPT) – deployable heat shields for Venus and Mars provides much lower entry loads



### Propulsion & Power

- Green Propellant Infusion Mission (GPIM)- alternative to hydrazine
- Solar Electric Propulsion (SEP) enabling new science missions
- Solar Sail enables unique vantage points for heliophysics
- Small Fission power for outer planet missions

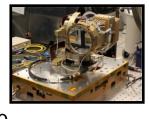
### Communication & Navigation

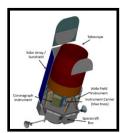
- Deep Space Optical Comm. (DSOC) & Laser Communication Relay Demo
   (LCRD) up to 10x data return for planetary and near-Earth missions
- NICER/SEXTANT & Deep Space Atomic Clock (DSAC) Highly accurate deep space navigation, higher duty cycle for DSN data return

### Instruments, Sensors, & Thermal

- High Performance Spaceflight Computing broadly applicable to science missions
- AFTA / WFIRST Coronagraph to perform direct observations of exoplanets and determining their atmospheric content







### **STMD-HEOMD Alignment Examples**



### Solar Electric Propulsion (SEP)

- Enabling for ARM and humans to Mars
- Technologies: Advanced Solar Arrays, High-Power Hall thrusters & PPUs

### Life Support and Resource Utilization

- Mars Oxygen ISRU testing on Mars 2020 and needed for humans to Mars
- Next Gen. Life Support Space suit components; Highly reliable closed loop air revitalization; Radiation dosimeter, modeling, forecasting and shielding

### Mars Entry, Descent and Landing Technologies

- LDSD allows up to 15 mt Mars landed mass
- Woven TPS potential use on Orion and later Mars entry system
- HIAD & ADEPT deployable entry systems for large heat shields

### Space Launch System (SLS) Technologies

- CPST long duration cryogenic storage for SLS upper-stage
- Composite Tanks & Structures upper-stage use to increase SLS payloads

### Other Key Exploration Technologies

- Human Robotic Systems (R2, R3 & R5) to reduce crew workload
- Nuclear Fission systems for Mars surface power
- Optical Communications (LCRD & DSOC) & Deep Space Navigation (DSAC)
- Inflatable Air-Lock to reduce structural mass











### **STMD-ARMD Synergies** (FY14)



### Aviation Safety

- External hazard sensors; pressure sensitive paint; wing tip vortex sensors
- SBIR projects

### Fundamental Aeronautics

- Advanced EDL Computation (HEDL)
- Parachutes under LDSD; Wings under Silent and Efficient Supersonic Bi-Directional Flying Wing
- Advanced Manufacturing; Nanotechnology;
   Computational Materials; Low mass cable harness structural health monitoring
- Advanced composites/lightweight materials
- SBIR projects

### Airspace Systems:

- SBIR projects
- Aeronautics Test Technologies:
  - SBIR projects
- Integrated System Research Project:
  - UAS Challenge
  - SBIR projects





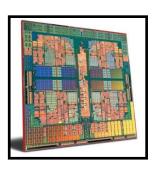
## STMD- Aerospace Industry Alignment Examples











### Structures and Materials

- Composite Tanks & Structures for improved launch vehicle performance
- HIAD for orbital down mass capability

### Propulsion & Power

- Green Propellant Infusion Mission improved spacecraft performance & reduced toxicity and ground processing costs
- Solar Electric Propulsion (SEP) enabling increased power, reduced mass and longer life for commercial communication satellites

### Communication & Navigation

- LCRD replacing RF based gateway links with optical links and reduce RF spectrum utilization on commercial satellites
- DSAC improved timing for next generation GPS satellites

### Instruments, Sensors, & Robotics

- High Performance Spaceflight Computing for more capable radiation hard avionics for commercial communication satellites
- Human Robotic Systems (R5) to perform environmentally hazardous tasks and operate within terrestrial settings

# Space Technology Investments to Advance Future Capabilities

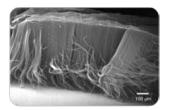


STMD continues to solicit the nation's best and brightest technologists across academia, industry, and government to drive innovative, enabling solutions in such areas as:

- Solar Electric Propulsion Advanced high-power, low-volume solar arrays and high-power propulsion systems
- Space Power- Affordable, High Efficiency Power Generation and Energy Storage Systems
- Life Support and Resource Utilization High Performance Resource Production and Recycling Systems
- Entry, Descent, and Landing Advanced Computational Modeling and Analytical Simulation Tools
- Space Robotic Systems High Reliability Sample Return Robots and low mass deep ice penetration systems
- Space Optical Communications Enhanced Deep Space Optical Communication Capabilities for small space crafts and high efficiency laser systems
- Lightweight Space Structures Ultralight, Ultrastrong Nanomaterials
- Space Observatory Systems Advanced Optical Coating Materials for Space Environments



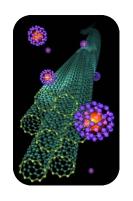












## Summary: Space Technology Critical to our Future



- NASA's investments in Space Technology provide the transformative capabilities to enable new missions, stimulate the economy, contribute to the nation's global competitiveness and inspire the nation's next generation of scientists, engineers and explorers.
- Over the past three years, Space Technology has made significant progress on a wide array of new capabilities and technologies. We are delivering what we promised: new technologies and capabilities. FY15 demos or major tests for Small Spacecraft, Green Propellant, Deep Space Atomic Clock, and LDSD.
- Space Technology will continue to engage U.S. universities and academic institutions to develop and demonstrate technologies with more than 400 activities to date, including: fellowships, direct competitive awards of grants and contracts, and partnerships with NASA centers and commercial contractors.
- This budget request supports an accelerated development of a Solar Electric Propulsion (SEP) demonstration effort within Technology Demonstration Missions. SEP is critical and enabling for NASA's robotic mission to an asteroid.
  - SEP technology advances are also essential for future commercial satellites and for deep space human exploration missions.
- With SLS and Orion coming online soon, the next great leaps in space exploration are within our grasp, but all of these leaps require significant and sustained investments in Space Technology beginning now.



## **BACKUPS**