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COMBINED EFFORT ACROSS TOPICAL AREAS

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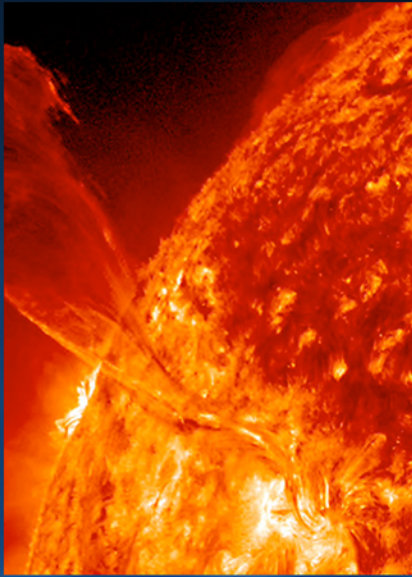
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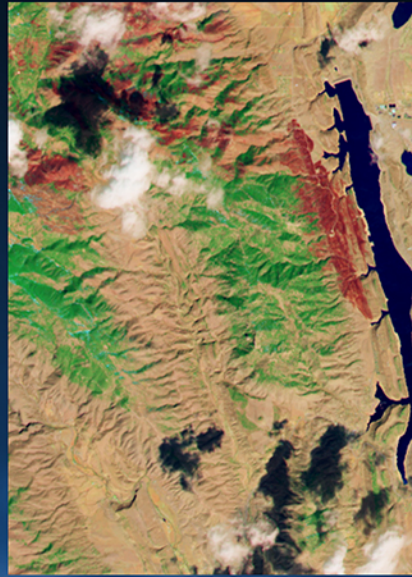
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HELIOPHYSICS



EARTH SCIENCE



PLANETARY SCIENCE



ASTROPHYSICS

Innovation & Discovery

An Integrated Program Enabling Great Science

SCIENCE BY THE NUMBERS



Spacecraft

104 missions
87 spacecraft



CubeSats

17 science missions
11 technology
demonstrations



Balloon Payloads

13 science payloads
13 piggyback/
student payloads



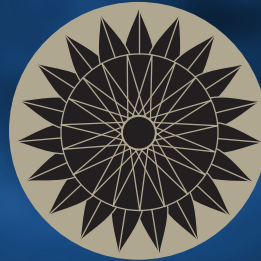
Sounding Rocket Flights

14 science missions
3 technology/
student missions



Earth-Based Investigations

25 major airborne missions
8 global networks



Technology Development

~\$400M invested annually



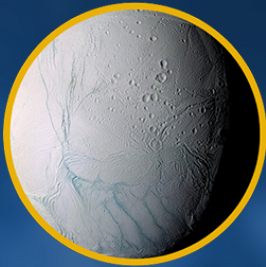
Research

10,000+ U.S. scientists funded
3,000+ competitively
selected awards
~\$600M awarded annually

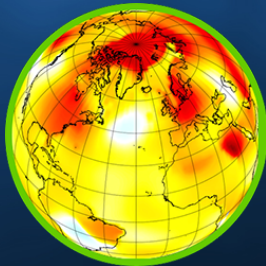
KEY SCIENCE THEMES



**Discovering the
Secrets of the Universe**



**Searching for
Life Elsewhere**



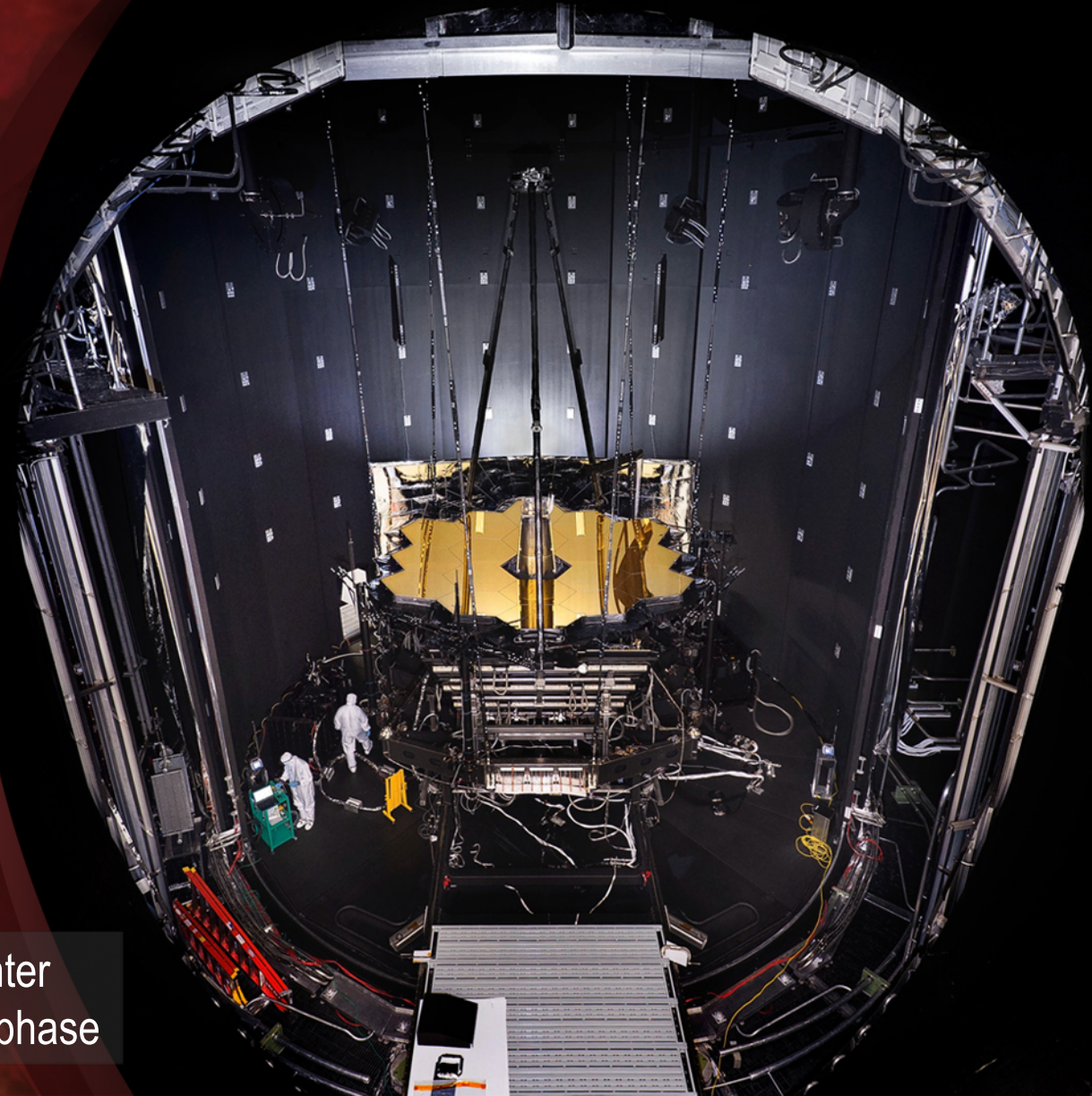
**Safeguarding and
Improving Life on Earth**

DISCOVERING THE SECRETS OF THE UNIVERSE

Webb

The James Webb
Space Telescope

WEBB at Johnson Space Center
for cryogenic-vacuum testing phase



DISCOVERING THE SECRETS OF THE UNIVERSE

A false-color image of Jupiter's south pole, showing a complex and turbulent atmosphere. The image is dominated by a large, dark blue and purple central region, which is surrounded by a swirling pattern of lighter blue, green, and yellowish-brown clouds. Numerous bright, circular features, likely cyclones or vortices, are visible throughout the scene, particularly in the central and lower-left areas. The overall appearance is one of intense atmospheric activity and chaos.

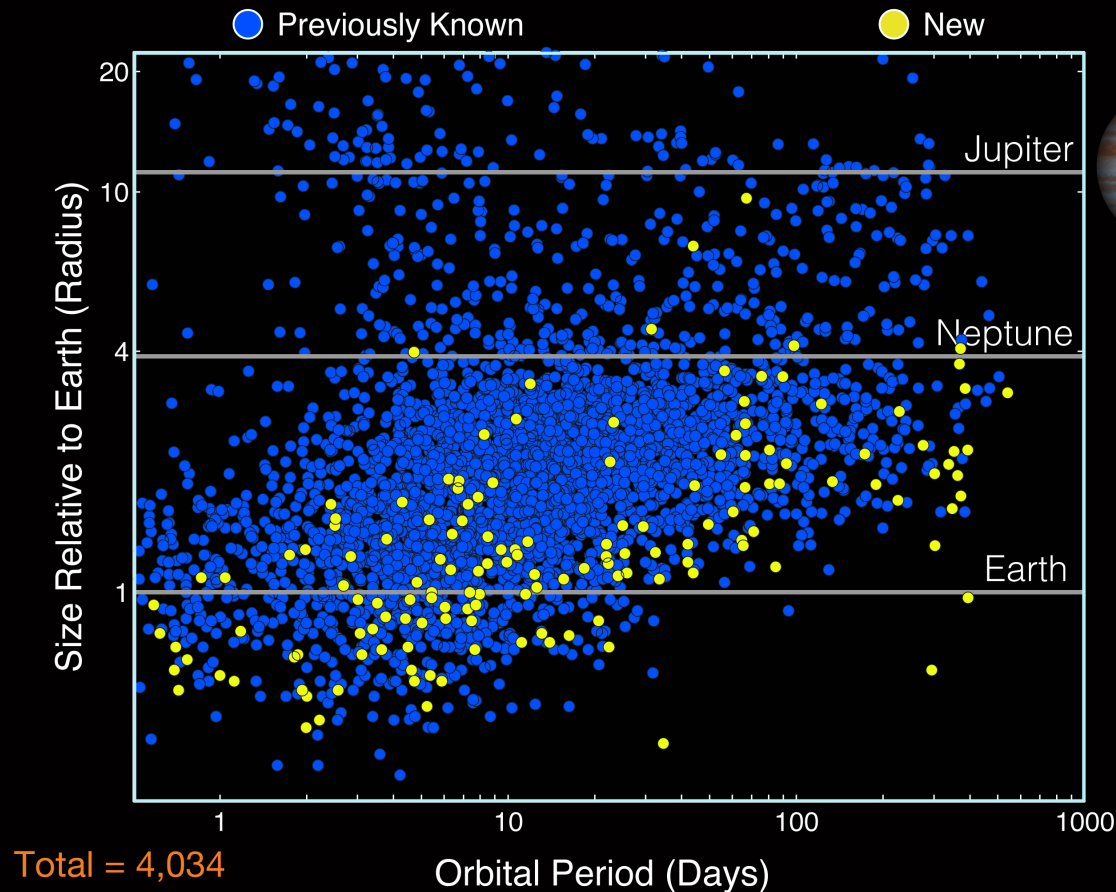
Juno

Detecting Turbulent Cyclones
on Jupiter's South Pole

SEARCHING FOR LIFE ELSEWHERE

New Kepler Planet Candidates

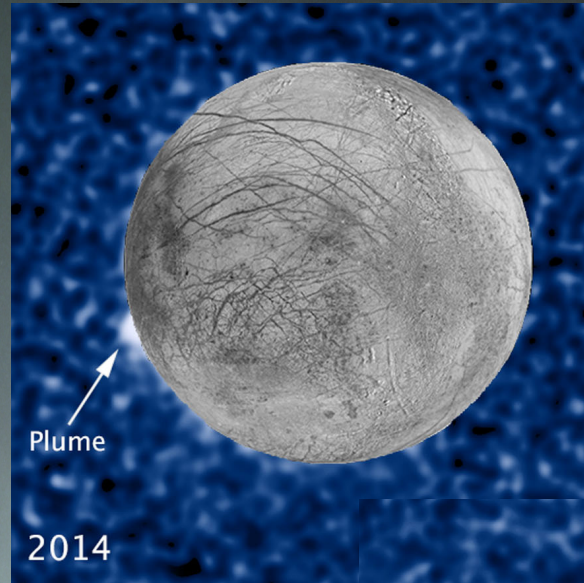
As of June 2017



SEARCHING FOR LIFE ELSEWHERE

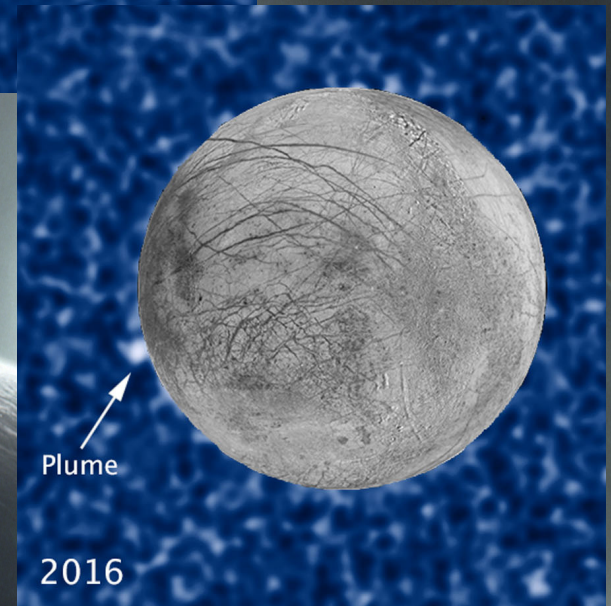
Cassini

Diving through plumes
from Saturn's Moon
Enceladus



Hubble

Plumes on Jupiter's
Moon Europa

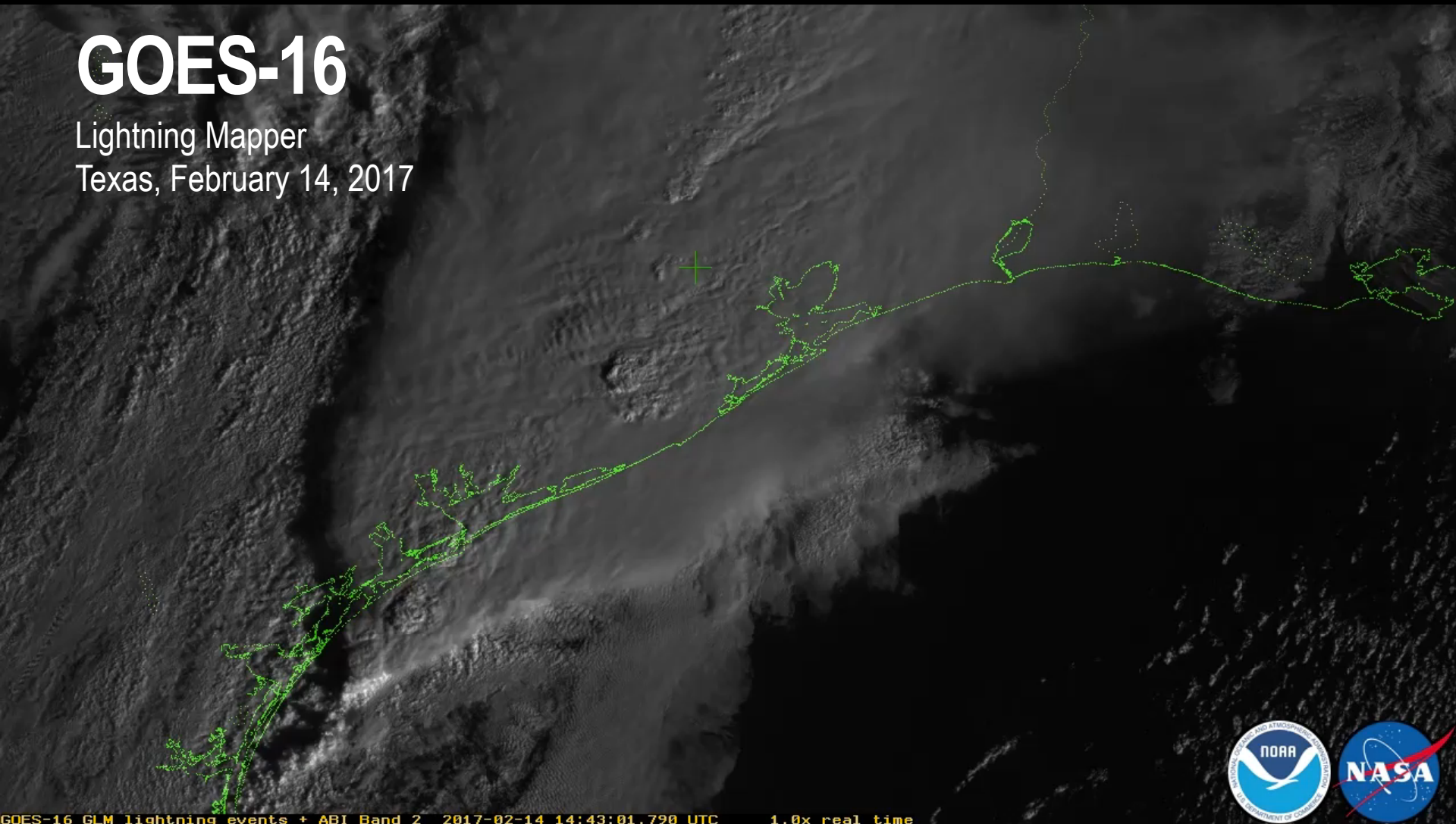


SAFEGUARDING AND IMPROVING LIFE ON EARTH

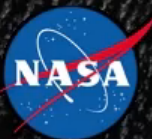
GOES-16

Lightning Mapper

Texas, February 14, 2017



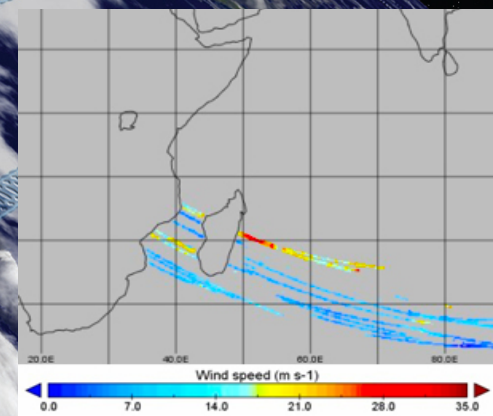
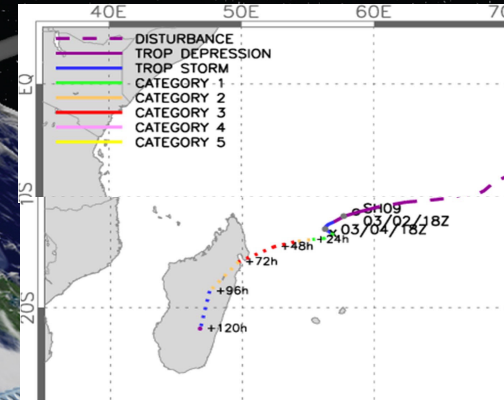
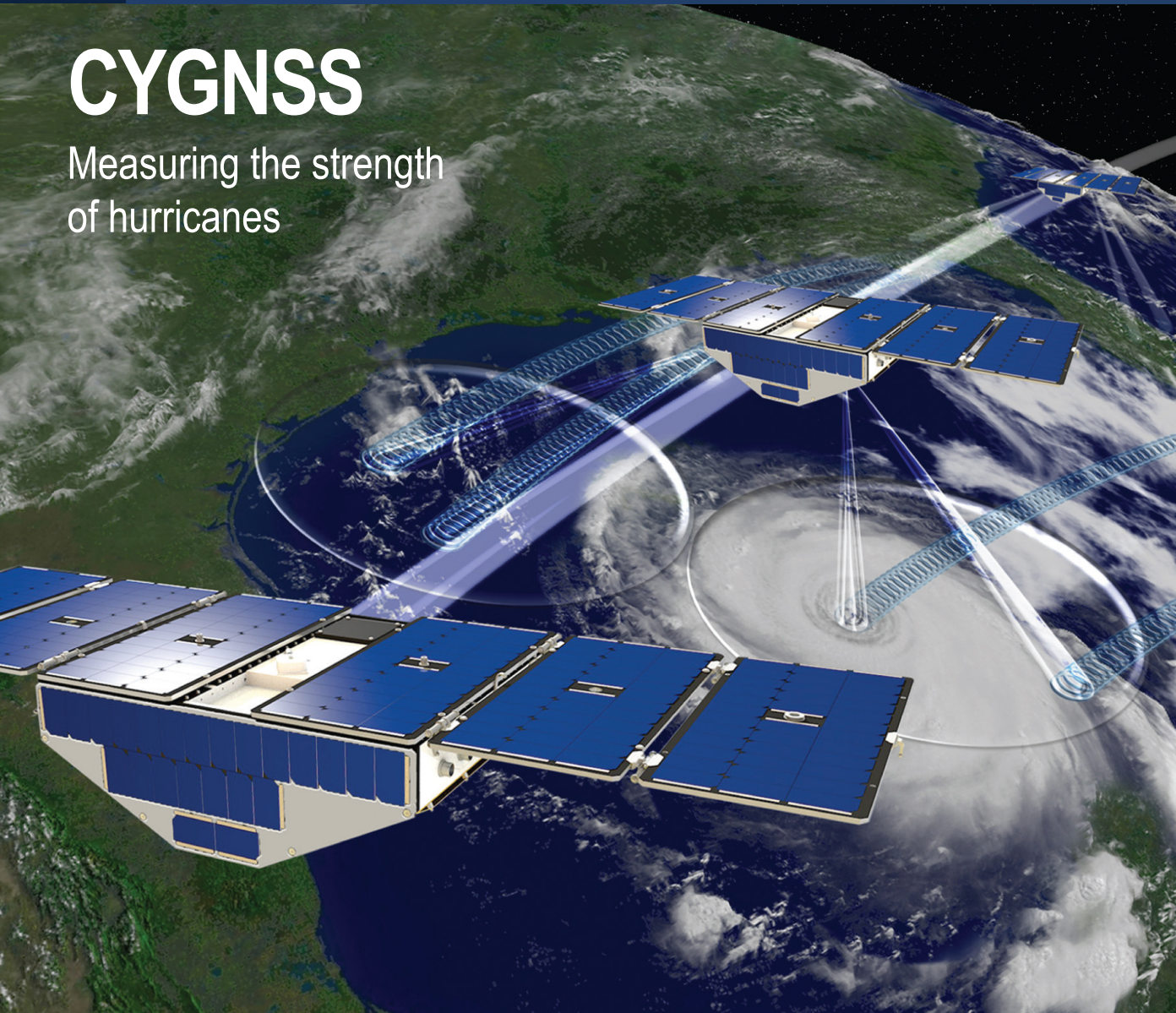
GOES-16 GLM lightning events + ABI Band 2 2017-02-14 14:43:01.790 UTC 1.0x real time



SAFEGUARDING AND IMPROVING LIFE ON EARTH

CYGNSS

Measuring the strength
of hurricanes



Storm Track and CYGNSS Wind speed
measurements from overpasses of
Tropical Cyclone Enawo, March 2017

CUBESATS/SMALLSATS: TRAINING OPPORTUNITY



Credit: NASA/JPL-Caltech

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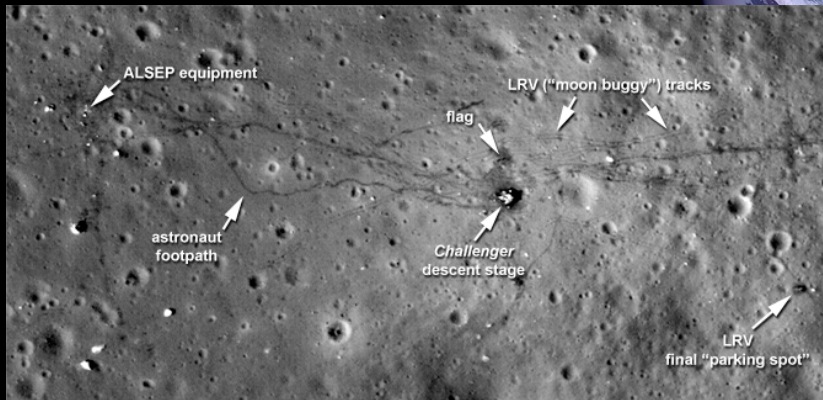
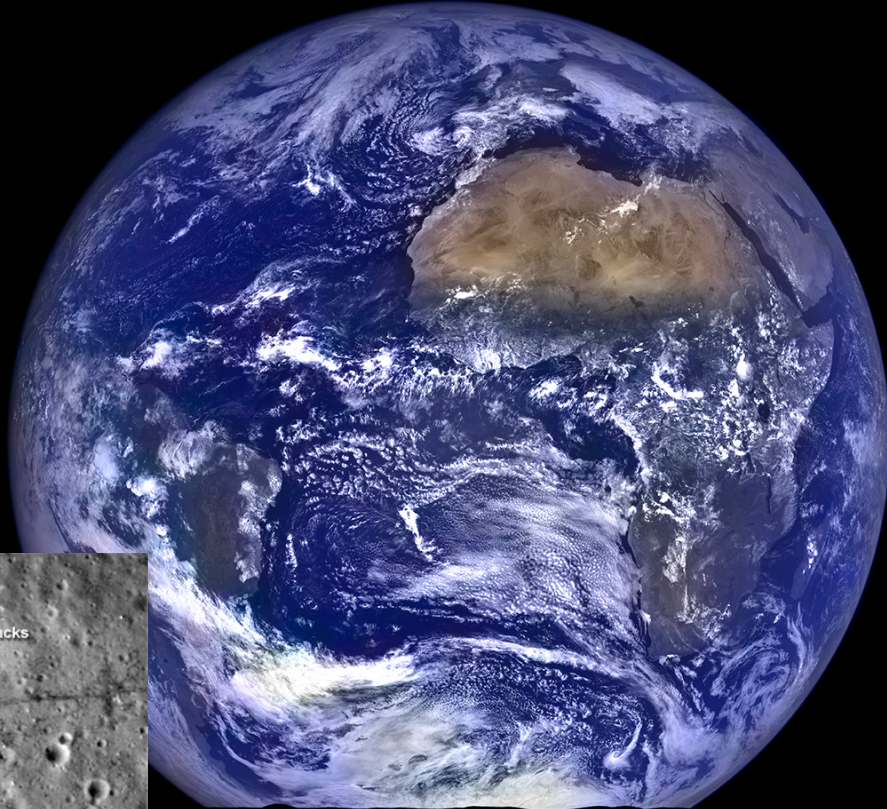
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COMBINED EFFORT ACROSS TOPICAL AREAS

- **Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter**
- **Mars Exploration Program**
 - Mars 2020 Partnership – borne out of current Mars strategy discussions
 - Partnership on HEO/Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD) instrumentation - Mars EDL Instrumentation (MEDLI-2), Mars Oxygen ISRU Experiment (MOXIE), and Mars Environmental Dynamics Analyzer (MEDA)
 - Working together to study potential future landing sites for crewed missions to Mars
- **Studying space weather and the effect of space radiation on astronauts**
- **Deep Space Optical Communications (DSOC)**
- **Other areas of collaboration**
 - Launch Services
 - Space Communications and Navigation (SCaN)
 - Planetary Protection

LUNAR RECONNAISSANCE ORBITER



LRO's look at the Apollo 17 Landing Site

LRO

In orbit around
the moon

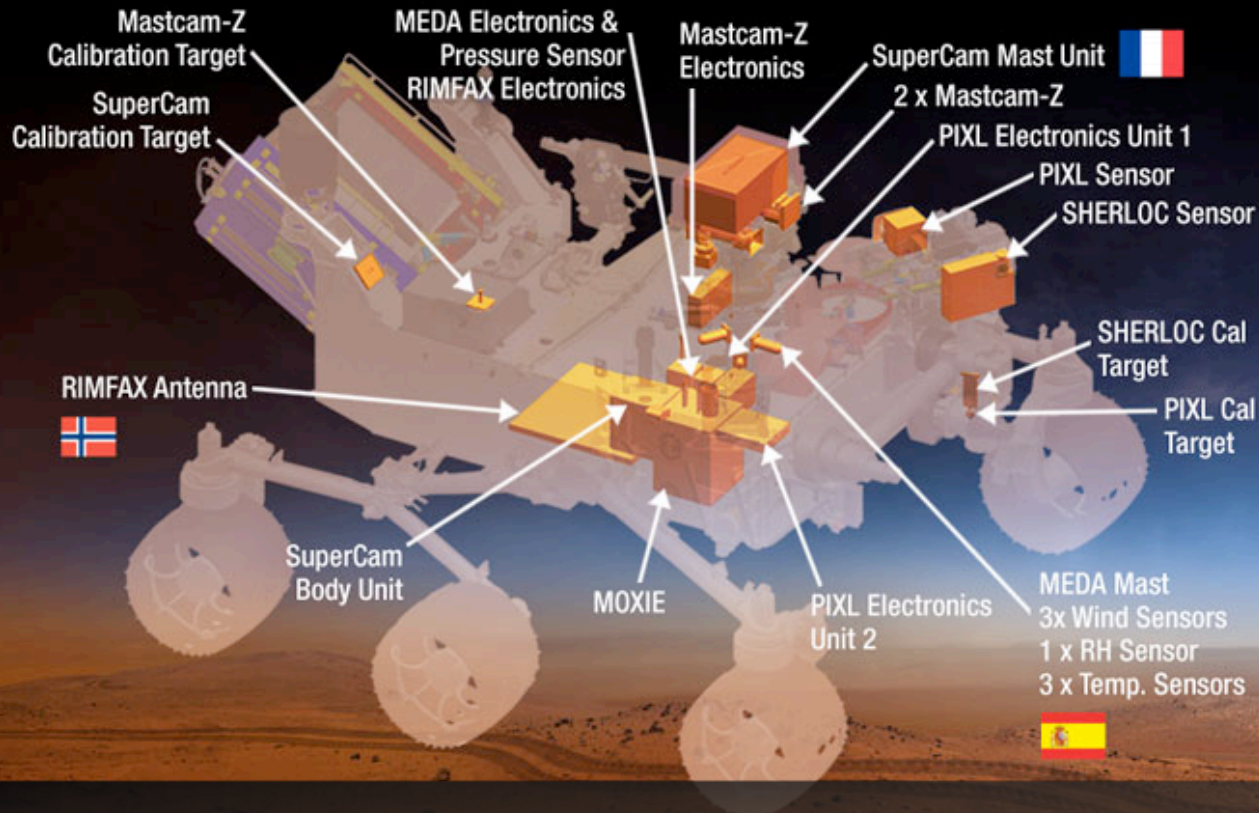
MARS EXPLORATION PROGRAM

Mars 2020



MARS ATMOSPHERIC CONDITIONS

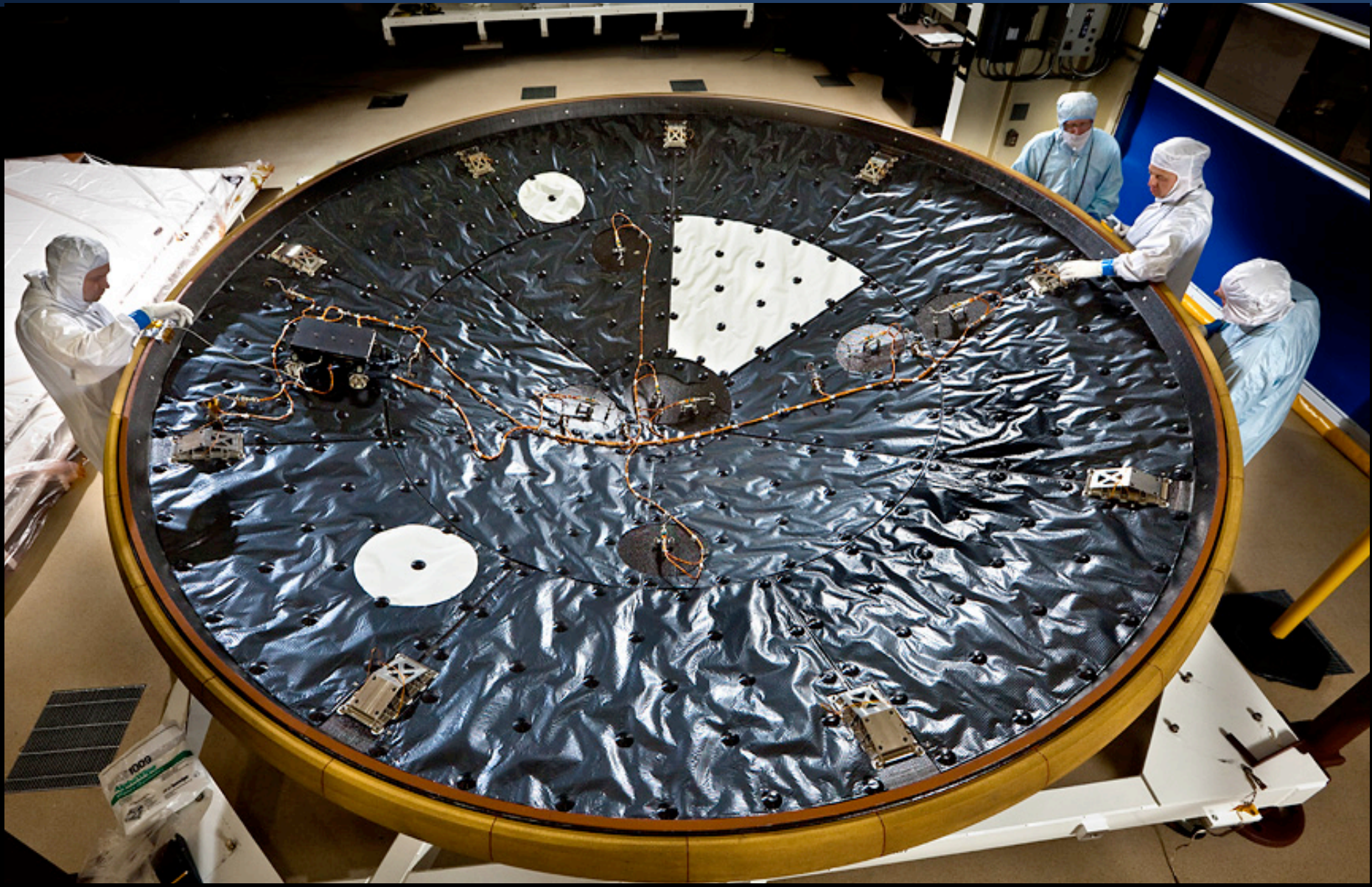
MARS ROVER 2020



MOXIE demonstrate the production of oxygen from the Mars atmosphere to enable in-situ propellant production for future human missions

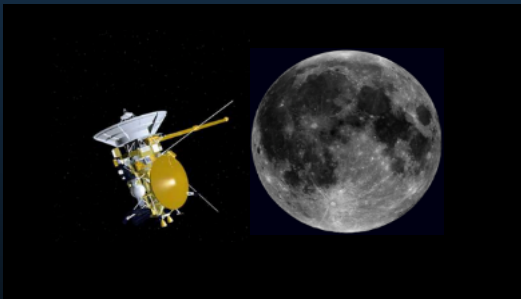
MEDA surface weather station contributed by Spain that will measure temperature, pressure, relative humidity, winds, and dust.

ADDRESSING STRATEGIC KNOWLEDGE GAPS



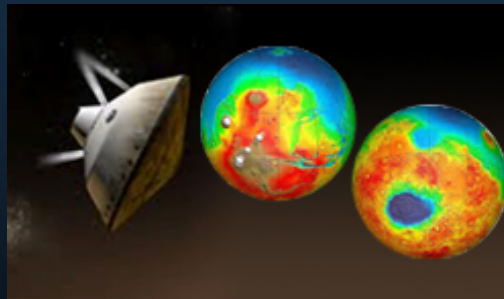
MARS SCIENCE & EXPLORATION: LEARNED

ORBITAL ENVIRONMENT AND OPERATIONS



- Deep space navigation
- Orbit transfer near low-gravity bodies
- Gravity assist
- Aero-braking
- Gravitational potential
- Mars' moons characteristics
- ISRU potential

CAPTURE, EDL & ASCENT



- Spatial/temporal temperature variability
- Density and composition variability
- Storm structure, duration and intensity
- 1 mT payload
- ~10 km accuracy

SURFACE OPERATIONS



- Water once flowed and was stable
- Global topography: elevation and boulder distributions
- Remnant magnetic field
- Dust impacts on solar power/mechanisms
- Radiation dose
- Global resource distribution
- Relay strategies, operations cadence

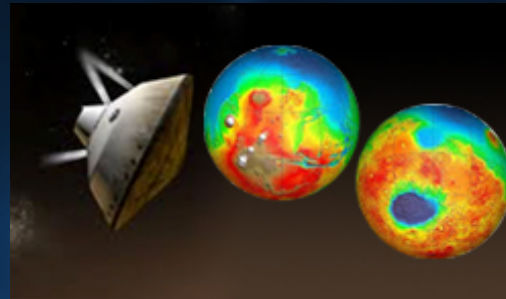
MARS SCIENCE & EXPLORATION: TO LEARN

ORBITAL ENVIRONMENT AND OPERATIONS



Return flight from Mars to Earth
Autonomous rendezvous &
docking
ISRU feasibility
Resource characterization of
Mars moons
High-power SEP

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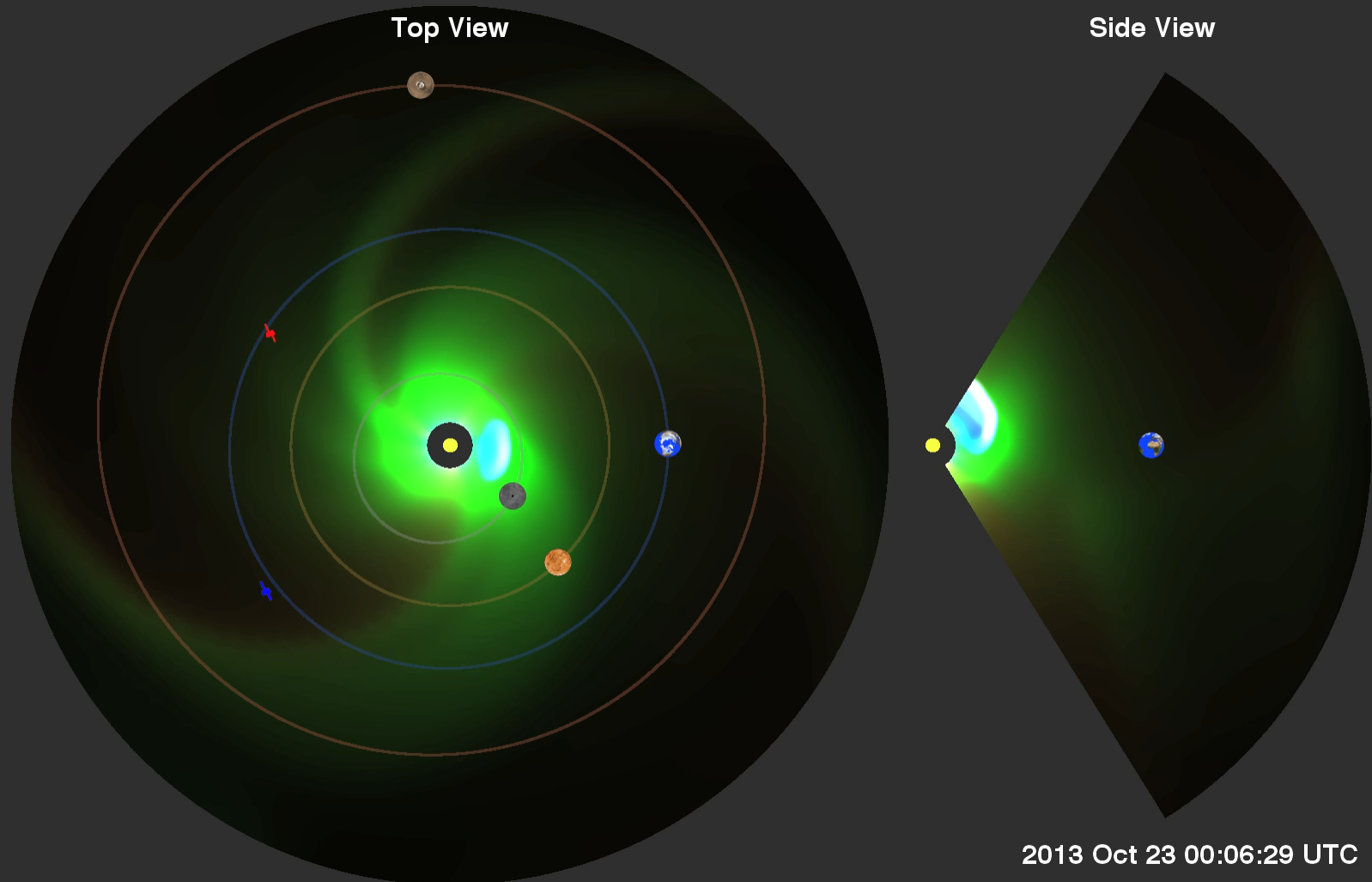
Ascent from Mars
Large mass EDL
Precision EDL
Aero-capture
Site topography and roughness
Long-term atmospheric variability

SURFACE OPERATIONS



Landing site resource survey
Dust effects on human health,
suits & seals
Rad/ECLSS in Mars in
environment
Power sufficient for ISRU
surface navigation

STUDYING SPACE WEATHER AND EFFECTS OF SPACE RADIATION ON ASTRONAUTS



CCMC model of multiple coronal mass ejections (CMEs)

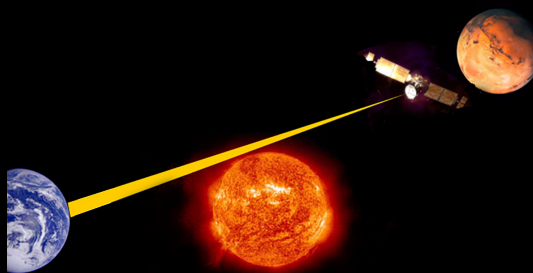
FURTHERING DEEP SPACE COMMUNICATIONS

CONCEPT



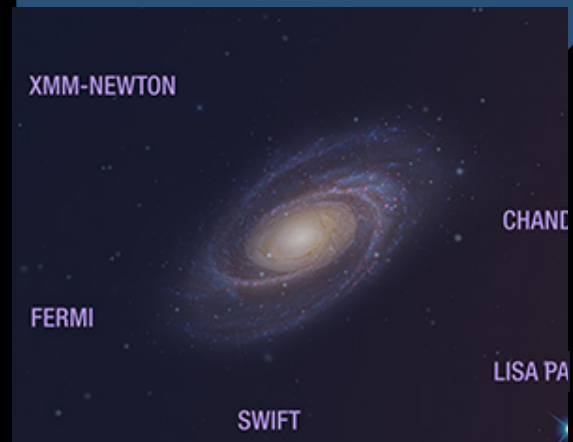
Psyche Mission

TECHNOLOGY



Deep Space Optical Communications (DSOC)

IMPLEMENTATION



Next Generation Deep Space Missions

Enabling Technology

Technology demonstration of DSOC near Psyche

Result

Greatly increasing communications bandwidth to enable more rapid data and information streaming

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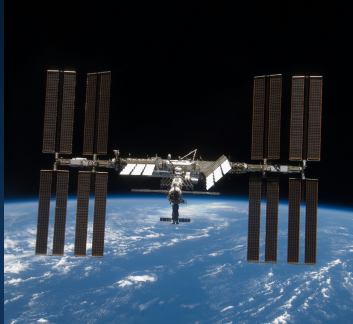
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Science instruments on the International Space Station (ISS)

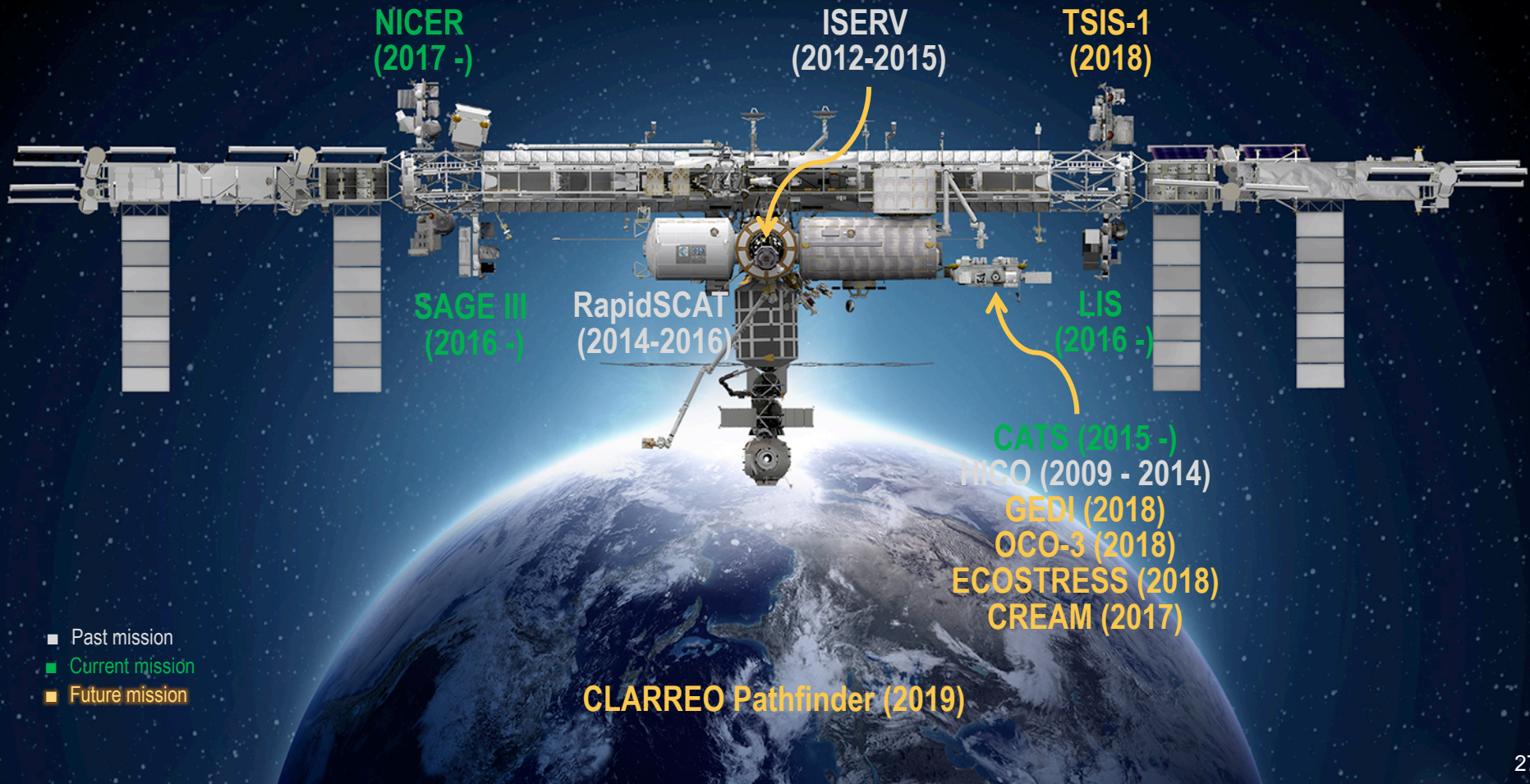


Space Launch System relevance to outer worlds (e.g. Europa)

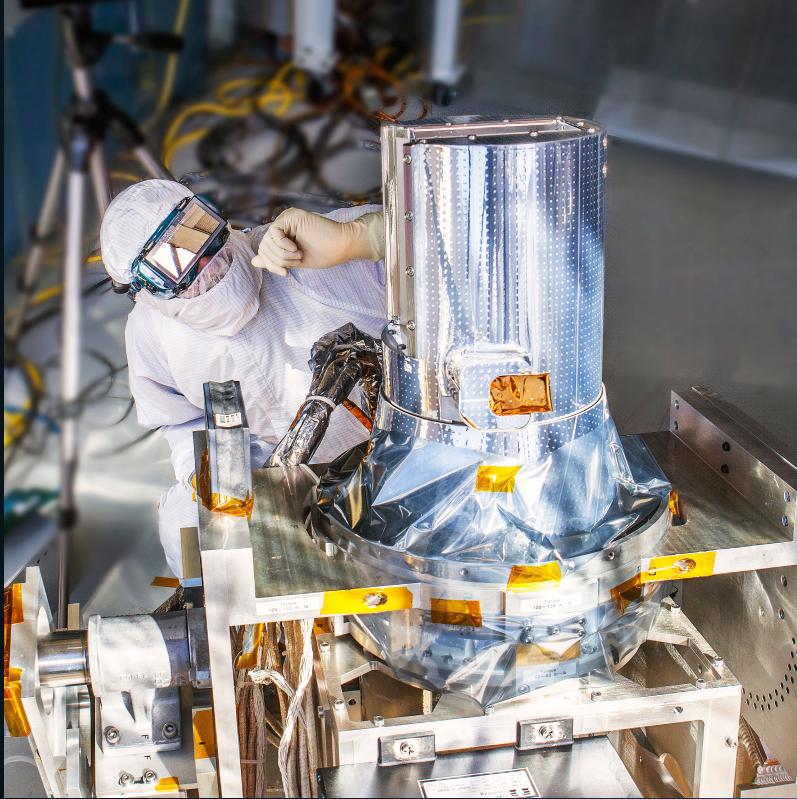


Potential collaboration on satellite and telescope assembly and servicing

SCIENCE INSTRUMENTS ABOARD ISS

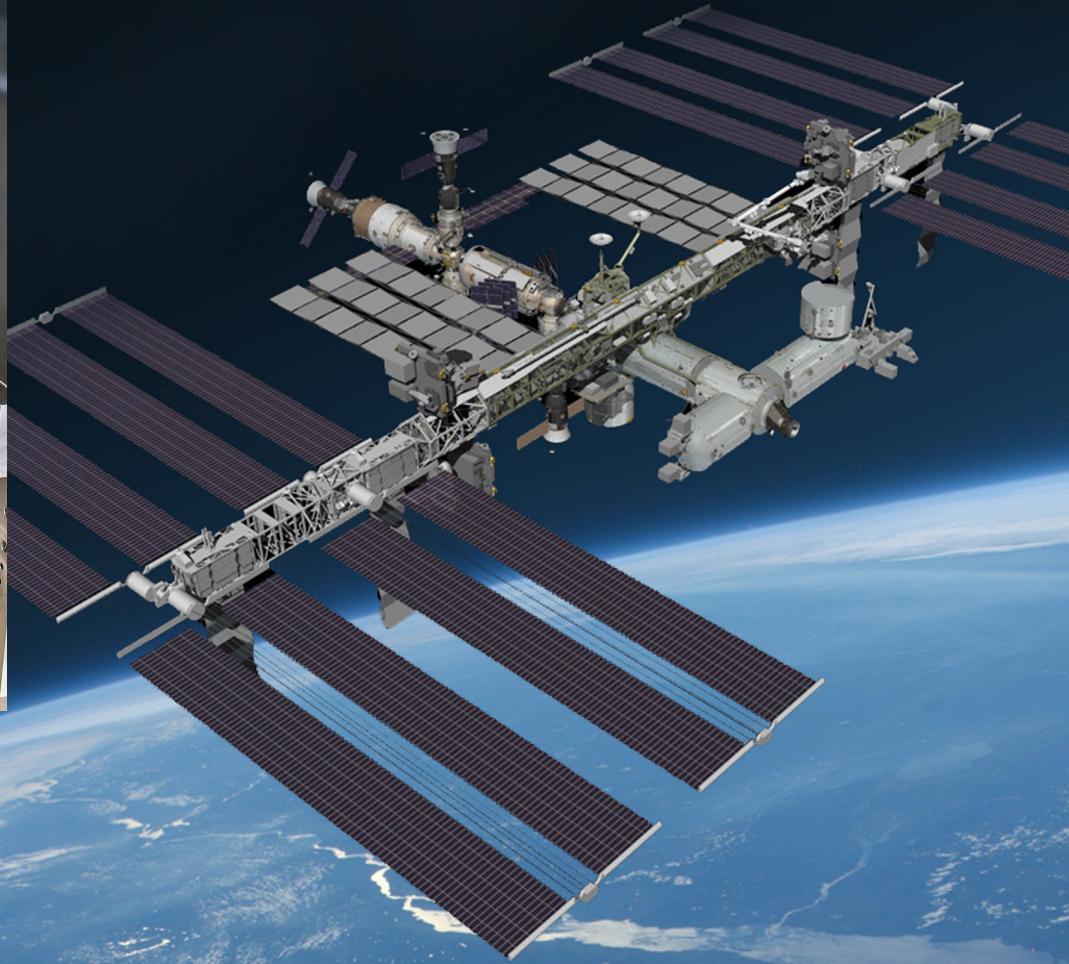


CONTINUOUS OBSERVATIONS OF EARTH: OZONE



SAGE III

Monitor Earth's upper atmosphere
from ISS vantage point



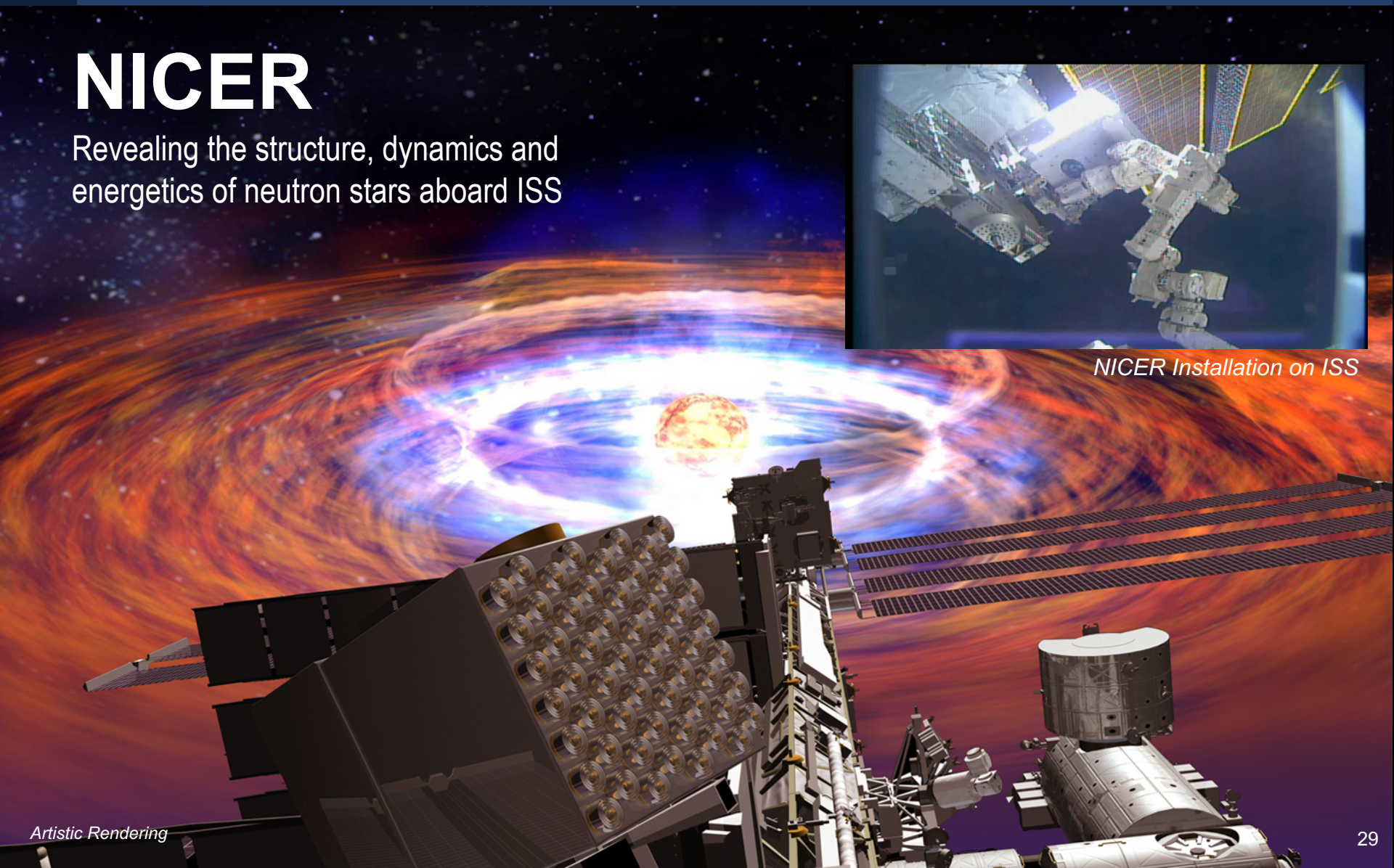
ISS AS A SCIENCE PLATFORM FOR ASTROPHYSICS

NICER

Revealing the structure, dynamics and energetics of neutron stars aboard ISS

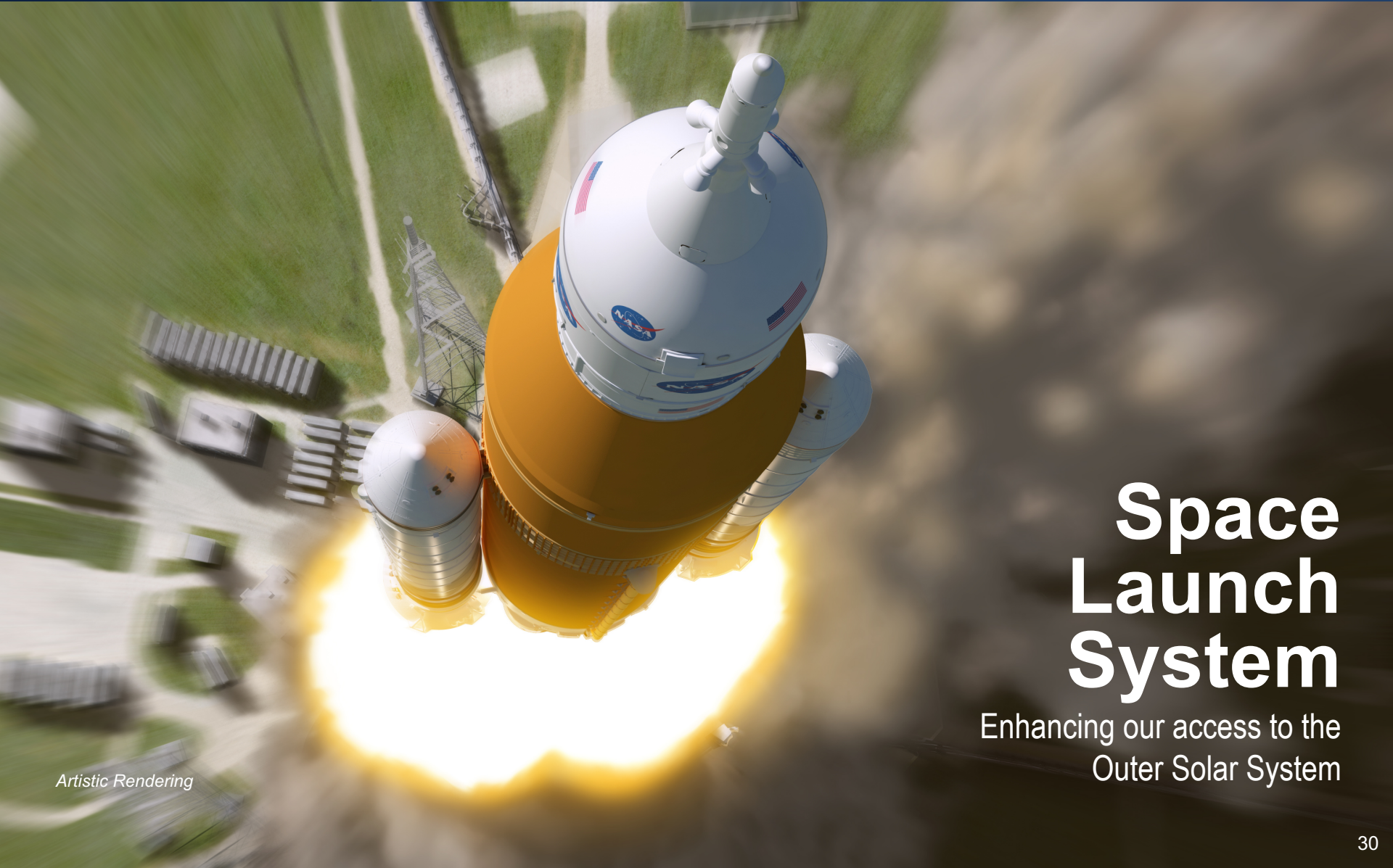


NICER Installation on ISS



Artistic Rendering

SLS ENABLING FUTURE EXPLORATION



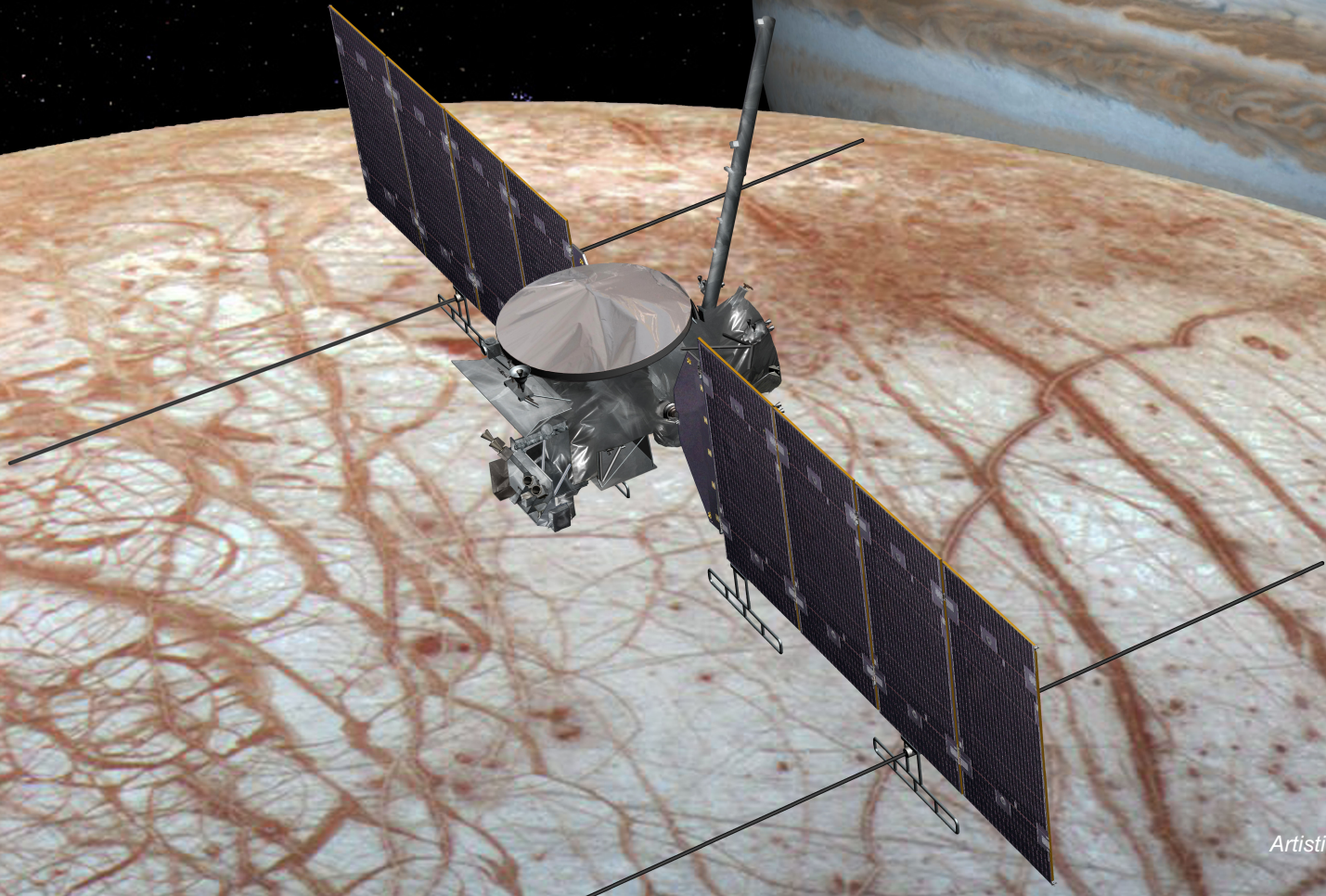
Artistic Rendering

Space Launch System

Enhancing our access to the
Outer Solar System

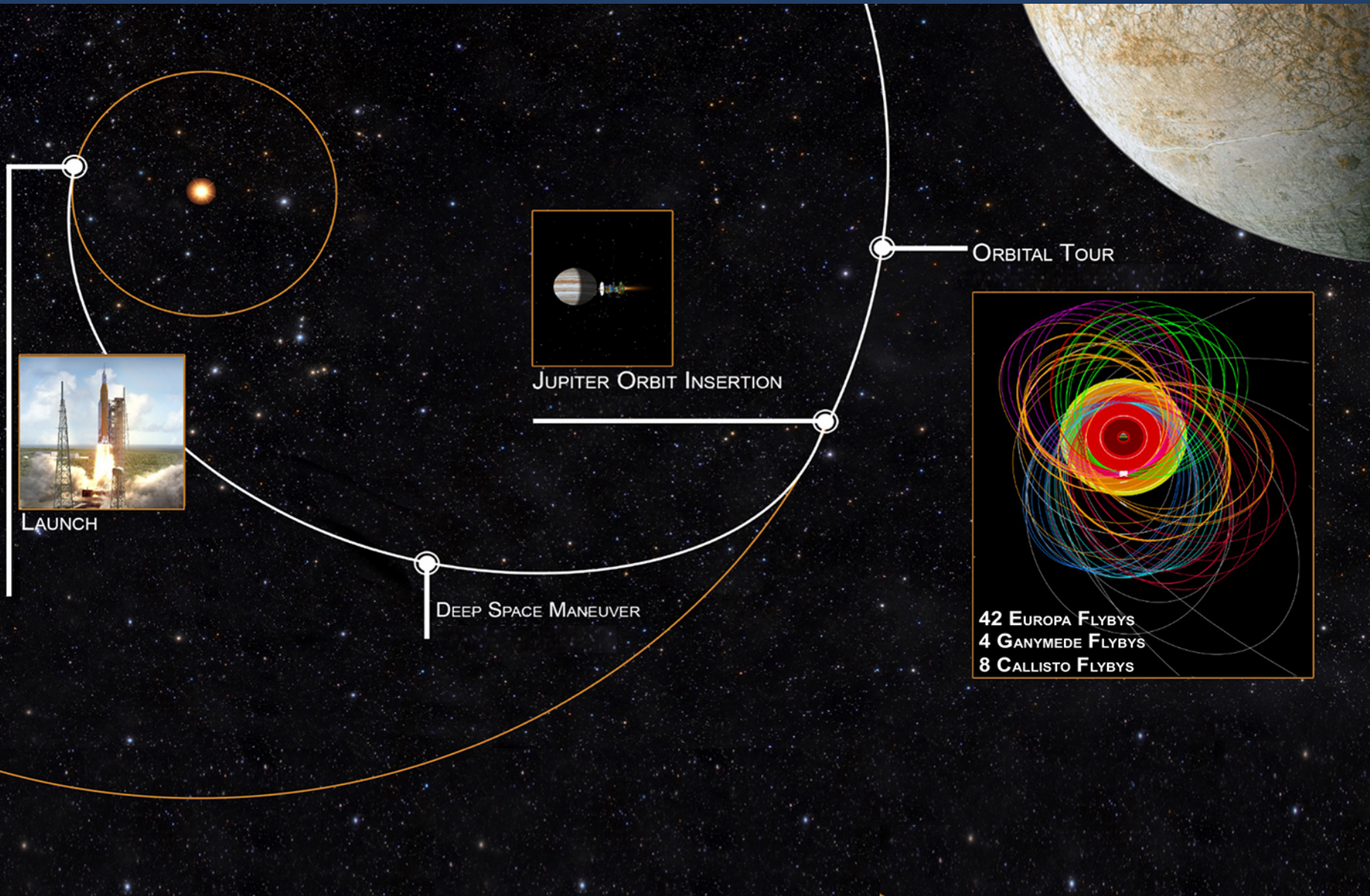
FUTURE EXPLORATION OF OCEAN WORLDS

Europa Clipper



Artistic Rendering

SLS: DIRECT INTERPLANETARY TRAJECTORY EXAMPLE



HUMAN SERVICING OF LARGE TELESCOPES



Hubble

Servicing Mission 4
2009

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