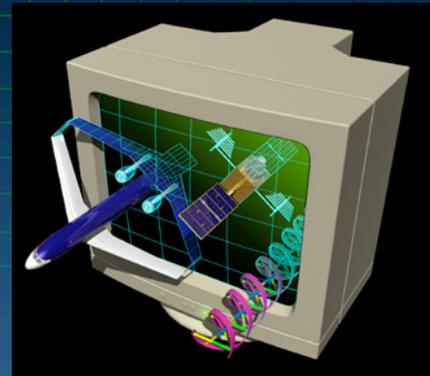
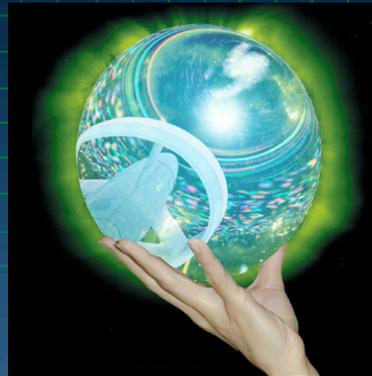
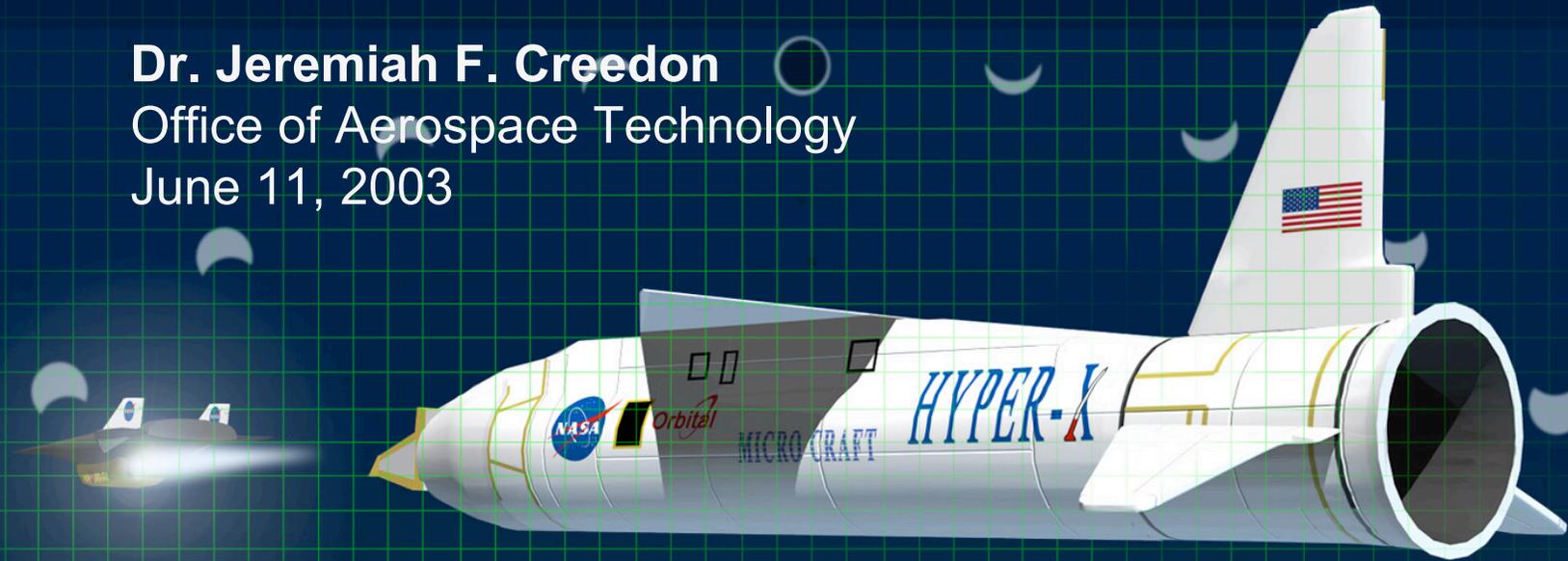




**Turning Goals Into Reality**  
*Celebrating our Accomplishments*

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Office of Aerospace Technology  
June 11, 2003



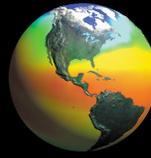
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## 6 Strategic Enterprises One NASA



Space  
Science



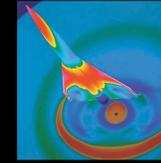
Earth  
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Space  
Flight



Aerospace  
Technology



Education

## **NASA's Vision**

- To improve life here
- To extend life to there
- To find life beyond

## **NASA's Mission**

- To understand and protect our home planet
- To explore the universe and search for life
- To inspire the next generation of explorers  
...as only NASA can



# NASA's 10 Strategic & Enabling Goals

**Understand and protect our home planet**

Understand Earth's system and apply Earth system-science to improve the prediction of climate, weather, and natural hazards

Enable a safer, more secure, efficient, and environmentally friendly air transportation system.

Create a more secure world & improve the quality of life by investing in technologies & collaborating with other agencies, industry, & academia.

**Explore the Universe and search for life**

Explore the fundamental principles of physics, chemistry, and biology through research in the unique natural laboratory of space.

Explore the solar system and the universe beyond, understand the origin and evolution of life, and search for evidence of life elsewhere.

**Inspire the next generation of explorers**

Inspire and motivate students to pursue careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

Engage the public in shaping and sharing the experience of exploration and discovery.

**Enabling**

Ensure the provision of space access and improve it by increasing safety, reliability, and affordability.

Extend the duration and boundaries of human space flight to create new opportunities for exploration and discovery.

Enable revolutionary capabilities through new technology.



# ***Aerospace Technology Enterprise***

## **Mission Statement:**

**To pioneer and validate high-payoff technologies**

**To improve the quality of life**

**To enable exploration and discovery**

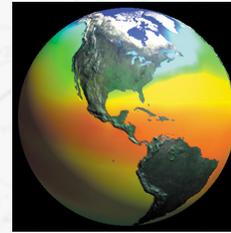
**To extend the benefits of our innovation throughout our society.**

**Our success is measured by the extent to which our results  
improve the quality of life and enable exploration  
and scientific knowledge**



# The Aerospace Technology Enterprise

Our success is measured by . . .



**OGA & Industry Partners**

**Space  
Science**

**Earth  
Science**

**Biological and  
Physical  
Research**



**Non Aerospace  
Industry**



**Aerospace  
Technology**



**Space Flight**



# **Aerospace Technology Enterprise**

## **Strategic Themes**

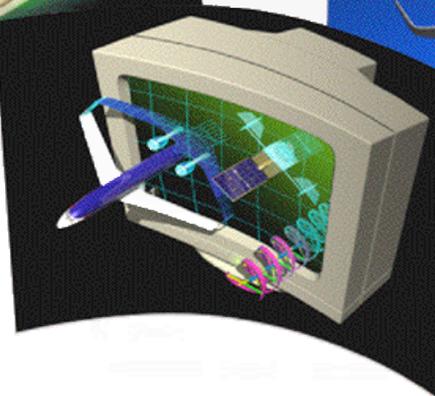
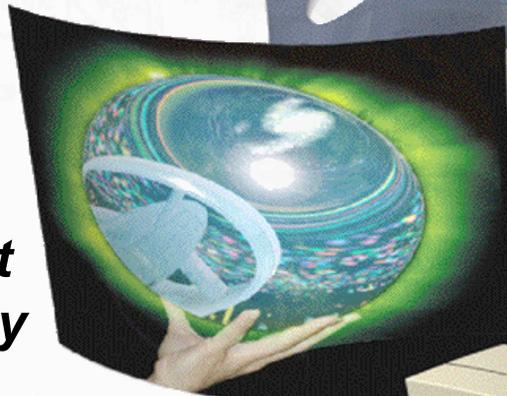
**Aeronautics  
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**Space Launch  
Initiative**



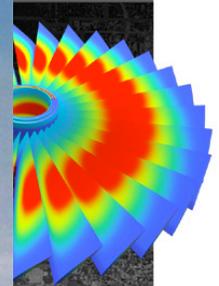
**Mission and  
Science  
Measurement  
Technology**



**Innovative Technology  
Transfer Partnerships**



# Aeronautics Technology Theme



Protect Air Travelers and the Public



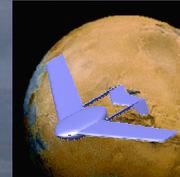
Protect the Environment



Increase Mobility



Protect the Nation



Explore New Aeronautical Missions



## Agency Goal 2

### Objective 2.1 Protect Air Travelers and the Public



#### *Challenge:*

Improve aircraft safety & performance in icy weather

#### *Accomplishment:*

Improved the computer modeling of ice formation

Thermal ice protection subroutines added to LEWICE

#### *Impact:*

Manufacturers use the NASA LEWICE tool in design and certification of aircraft

#### *TGIR Accomplishment:*



*Glace Ice formation from the icing research tunnel at the NASA Glenn Research Center.*



## Agency Goal 2

### Objective 2.1 Protect Air Travelers and the Public



#### Challenge:

Turbulence has been identified by the FAA, NTSB, and airline sources as the leading cause of in-flight injuries

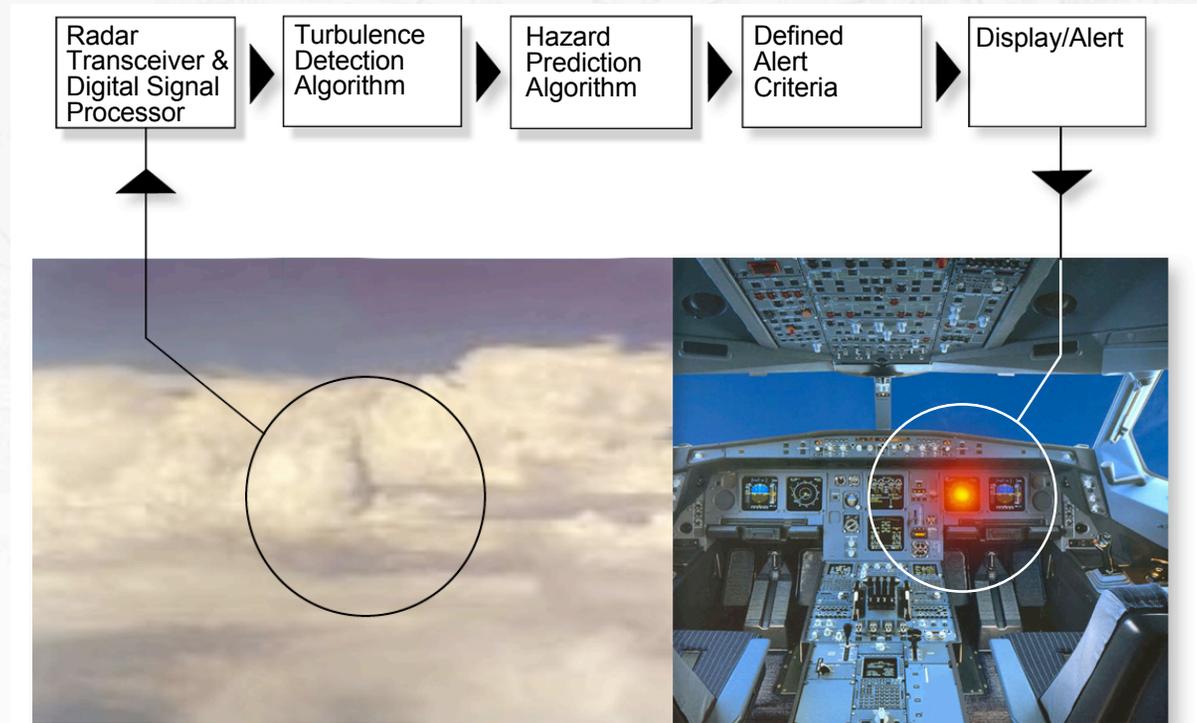
#### Accomplishment:

Developed a real-time turbulence prediction and detection/ warning system and developed an aircraft-independent turbulence intensity index

#### Impact:

Severe turbulence was detected with 30 to 120 second advanced warning

#### TGIR Accomplishment:



TPAWS end-to-end system concept



## Agency Goal 2

### Objective 2.2 Protect the Environment



#### Challenge:

Determine if CO<sub>2</sub> can be eliminated as a product of combustion

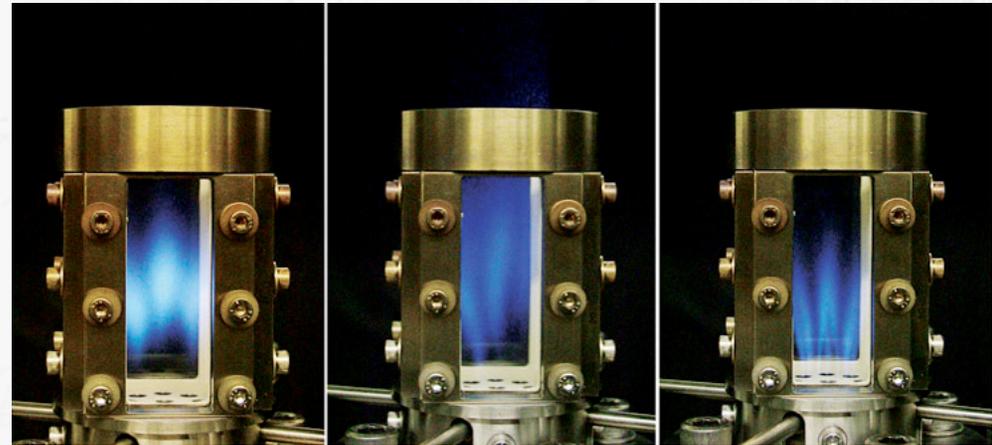
#### Accomplishment:

- Low NO<sub>x</sub> hydrogen fuel injector developed
- Light weight tanks of fiber reinforced polymer/clay nanocomposites were developed

#### Impact:

- Hydrogen-based fuel jet engine and zero CO<sub>2</sub> emissions can be a reality
- Lightweight tanks can provide 20% weight reduction; 40% increase in strength, and 50% greater fracture toughness making fuel cell technology much more practical

#### TGIR Accomplishment:



*NASA hydrogen air combustion experiment, demonstrates a cleaner burning fuel option (by eliminating CO<sub>2</sub>)*



**Agency Goal 2**  
**Objective 2.3 Increase Mobility**



**Challenge:**

Reduce delays and increase capacity in the NAS

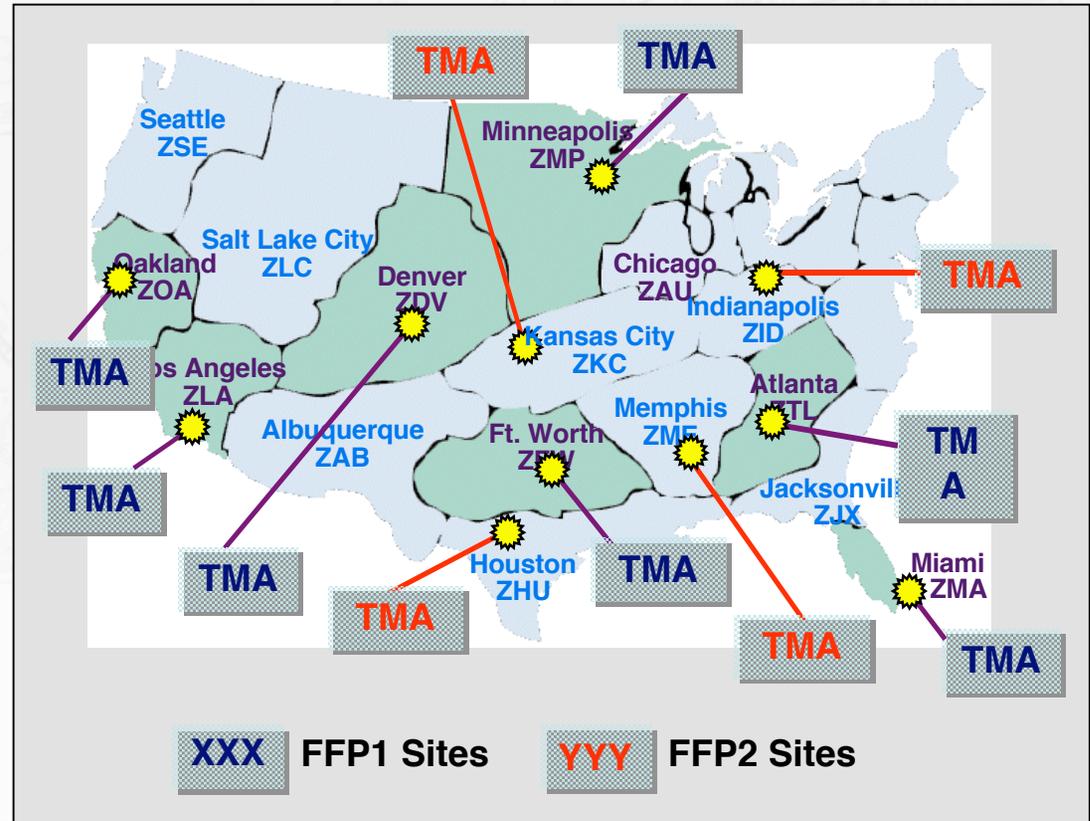
**Accomplishment:**

Traffic Management Advisor (TMA) has been deployed throughout the whole NAS.

**Impact:**

TMA increases peak arrival/departure capacity while minimizing delay at inefficient altitudes.

**TGIR Accomplishment:**



*“There’s no question that Traffic Management Advisor is a cost-beneficial investment. We’re seeing capacity increases of 3 to 5 percent . . . ”*

*Marion Blakey  
 December 4, 2002*



## **Agency Goal 3**

### **Objective 3.2 Support National Security (Aeronautics)**



#### ***Challenge:***

The Air Force needs a High-performance, un-crewed vehicle

#### ***Accomplishment:***

Designed autonomous taxi control laws, collision avoidance, and airspace operation strategies for the X-45A.

#### ***Impact:***

Tests were very successful and Autonomous UCAV is much closer to reality.

#### ***TGIR Accomplishment:***



*DARPA, U.S. Airforce, Boeing X-45A UCAV at NASA Dryden.*



# Space Launch Initiative Theme



Assure Access  
Return from ISS

Improve Space  
Transportation Safety,  
Reliability, Affordability

Enhance  
Security

*Next Generation  
Launch Technology*

*X-37*

*Demonstration of Autonomous  
Rendezvous Technologies*



# Progress on 2nd Generation Designs



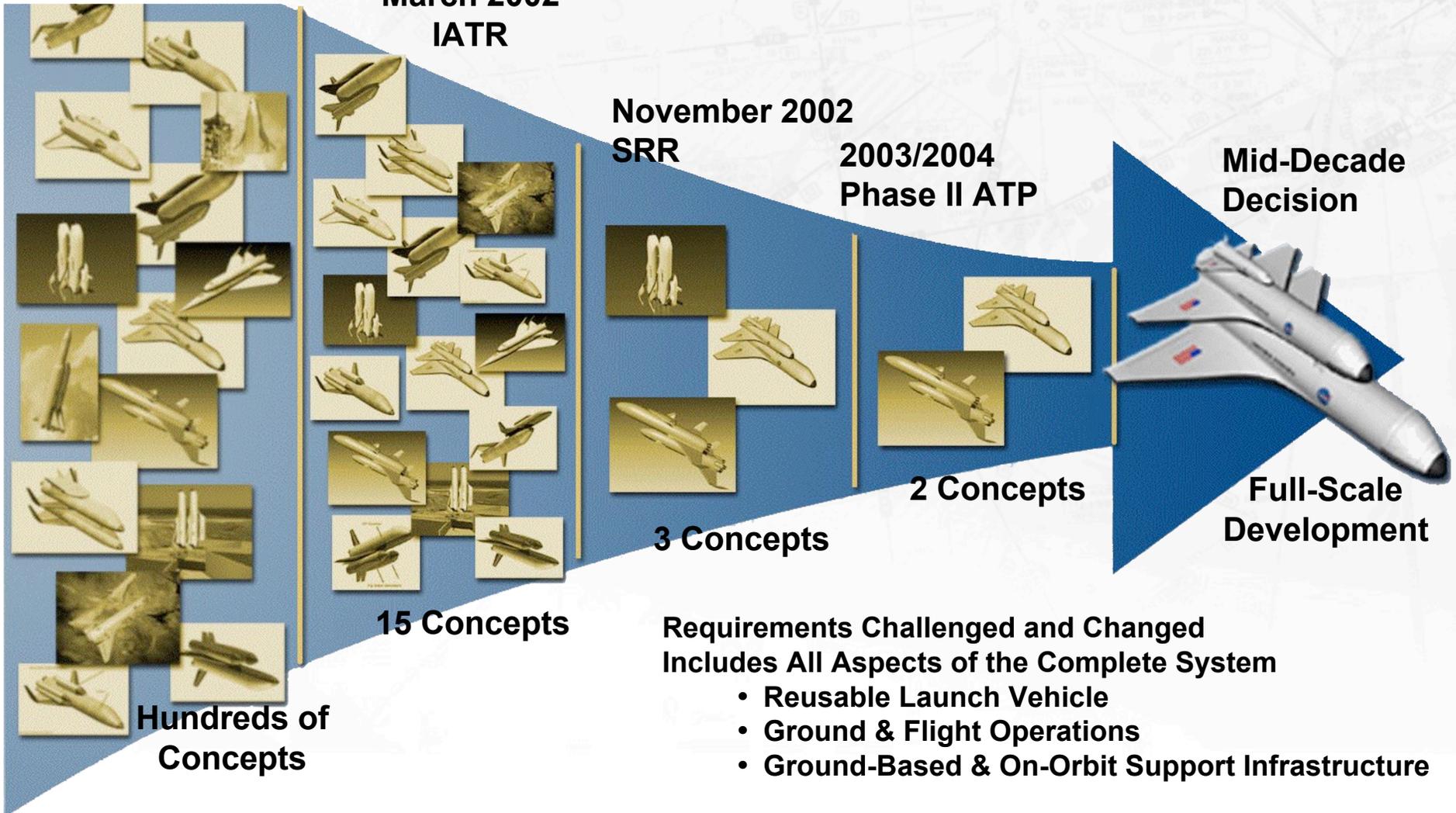
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Decision

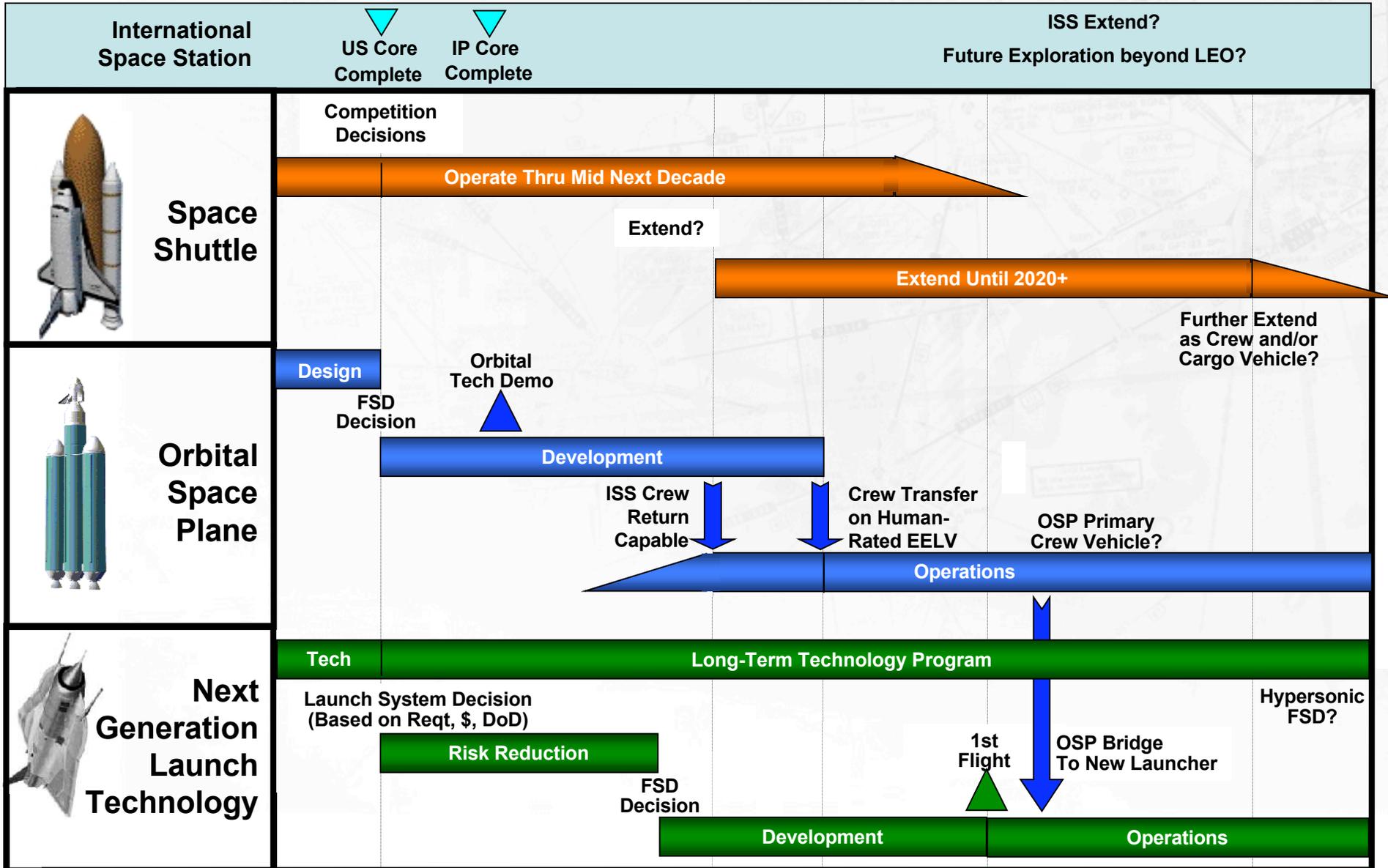




# New Integrated Space Transportation Plan



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# *OSP Requirements Summary and Concept of Operations*



## ***Level 1 Requirements Summary:***

- Rescue for four ISS crew no later than 2010;  
Crew Transport to/from ISS no later than 2012
- Rapid separation from ISS; 24 hours to  
definitive medical care
- Risk of loss shall be lower than the Soyuz  
for rescue mission
- Increased on-orbit maneuverability;  
Designed for minimum life cycle cost

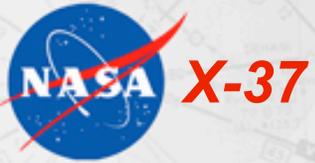


# *OSP Requirements Summary and Concept of Operations*



## ***Concept of Operations***

- The vehicle(s) shall initially launch on an ELV.
- The system shall be operated through 2020. However, the system should be designed for longer.
- The systems for crew rescue and crew transport could be different versions of the same vehicle.
- The system shall provide contingency capability for cargo delivery to support a minimal level of science.
- The system shall support a nominal ISS crew rotation period of 4–6 months.



## *TGIR Accomplishment:*

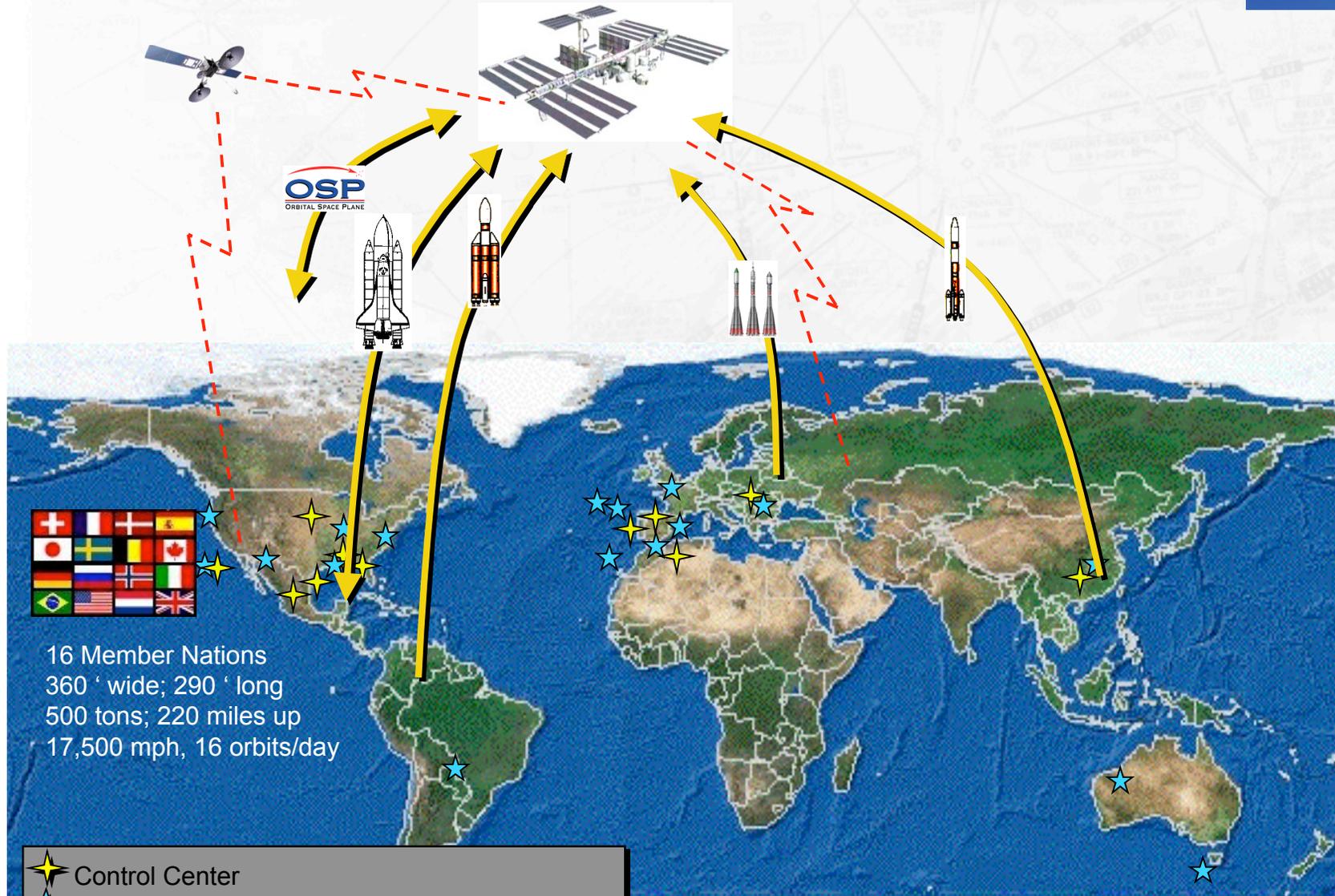


*Assembly of X-37*



# Agency Goal 8

## Objective 8.1 Assured ISS Access



*ISS Traffic Flow Management Study*



## Agency Goal 8

### Objective 8.2 Mission Safety and Affordability



#### Challenge:

A highly reliable main engine is needed.

#### Accomplishment:

The Co-Optimized Booster for Reusable Application (COBRA) Engine was developed. The key enabling technology is a single liquid oxygen and liquid hydrogen pre-burner, which was successfully tested.

#### Impact:

- Fabrication time can be reduced (from 4 to 1 yr.)
- Channel wall nozzle eliminates leakage and the need for a heat exchanger
- 100's of parts and a catastrophic failure mode are eliminated

#### TGIR Accomplishment:



*The COBRA team accomplishments include design of a liquid-liquid pre-burner, a key enabling technology*



## **Agency Goal 8**

### **Objective 8.2 Mission Safety and Affordability**



#### ***Challenge:***

To reduce risk of explosion and improve safety, NASA needs a space qualified leak detection capability

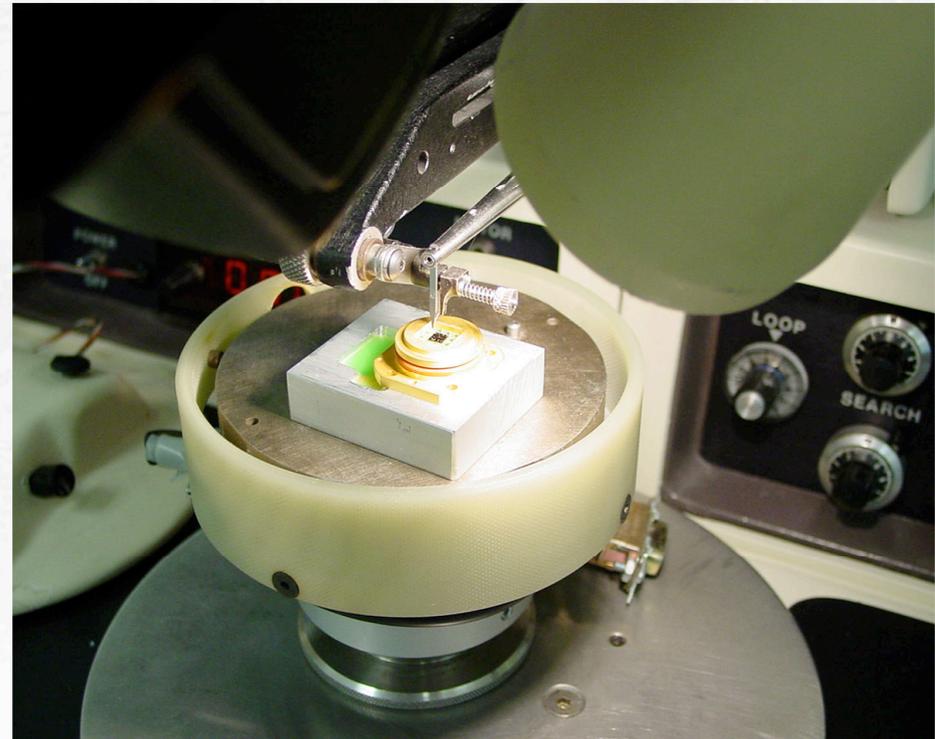
#### ***Accomplishment:***

NASA developed a postage stamp size hydrogen leak detector consisting of a Microsystems-based hydrogen sensor combined supporting electronics.

#### ***Impact:***

Current large systems with high power needs have been replaced by a space-qualified system that is available for all NASA and industry needs.

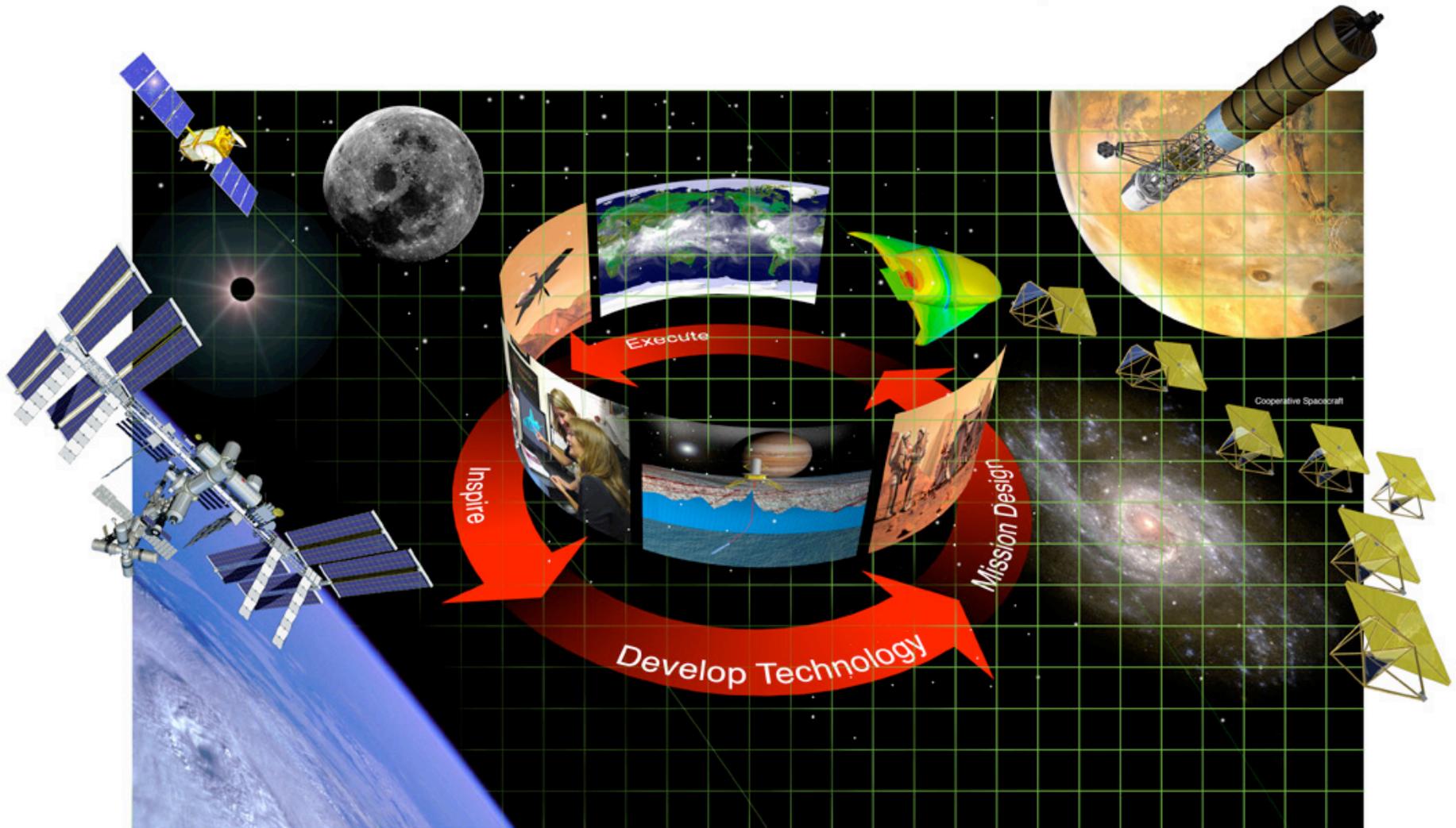
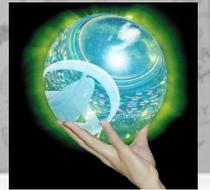
#### ***TGIR Accomplishment:***



*Miniature Smart Leak Detection System invented by GRC Team.*

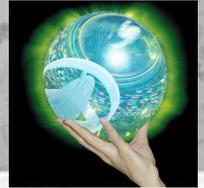


# Mission and Science Measurement Technology Theme

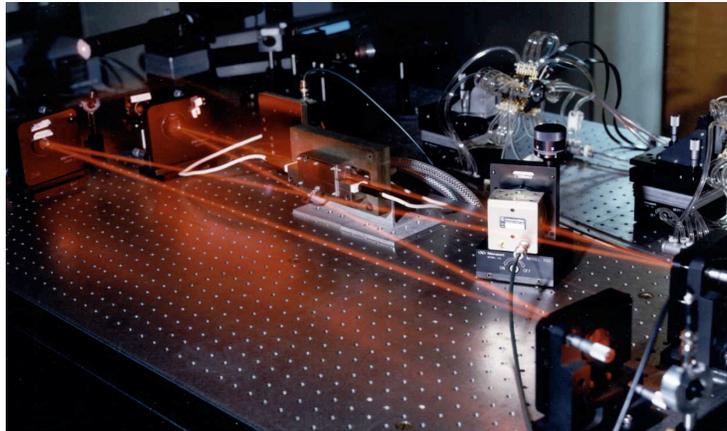




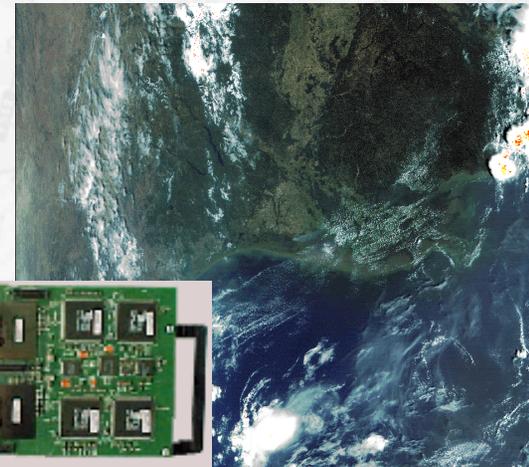
# Mission and Science Measurement Technology Accomplishments



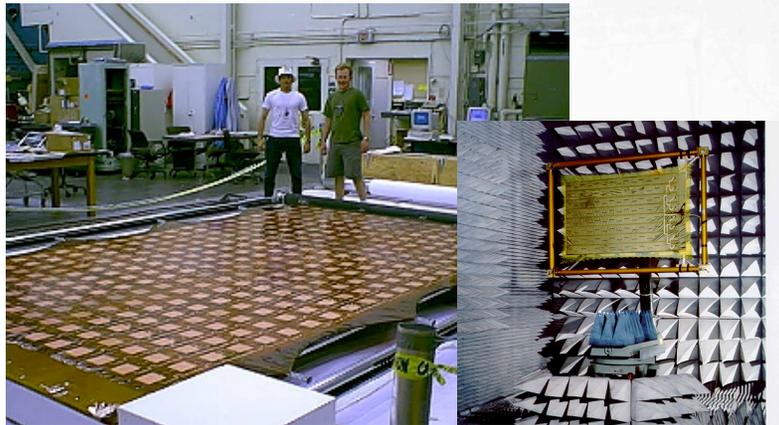
## For Earth Science:



Demonstrated proof-of-concept 2-micron tunable laser transmitter for future Lidar missions



Demonstrated 622 Mbps transceiver for receiving live pass images from Terra spacecraft



Demonstrated membrane antennas for SAR and microwave radiometers



# Advanced Lidar Instrument Technology Initiative



## 2 Lasers, 4 Techniques, 6 Priority Measurements

### Pulsed Laser Development

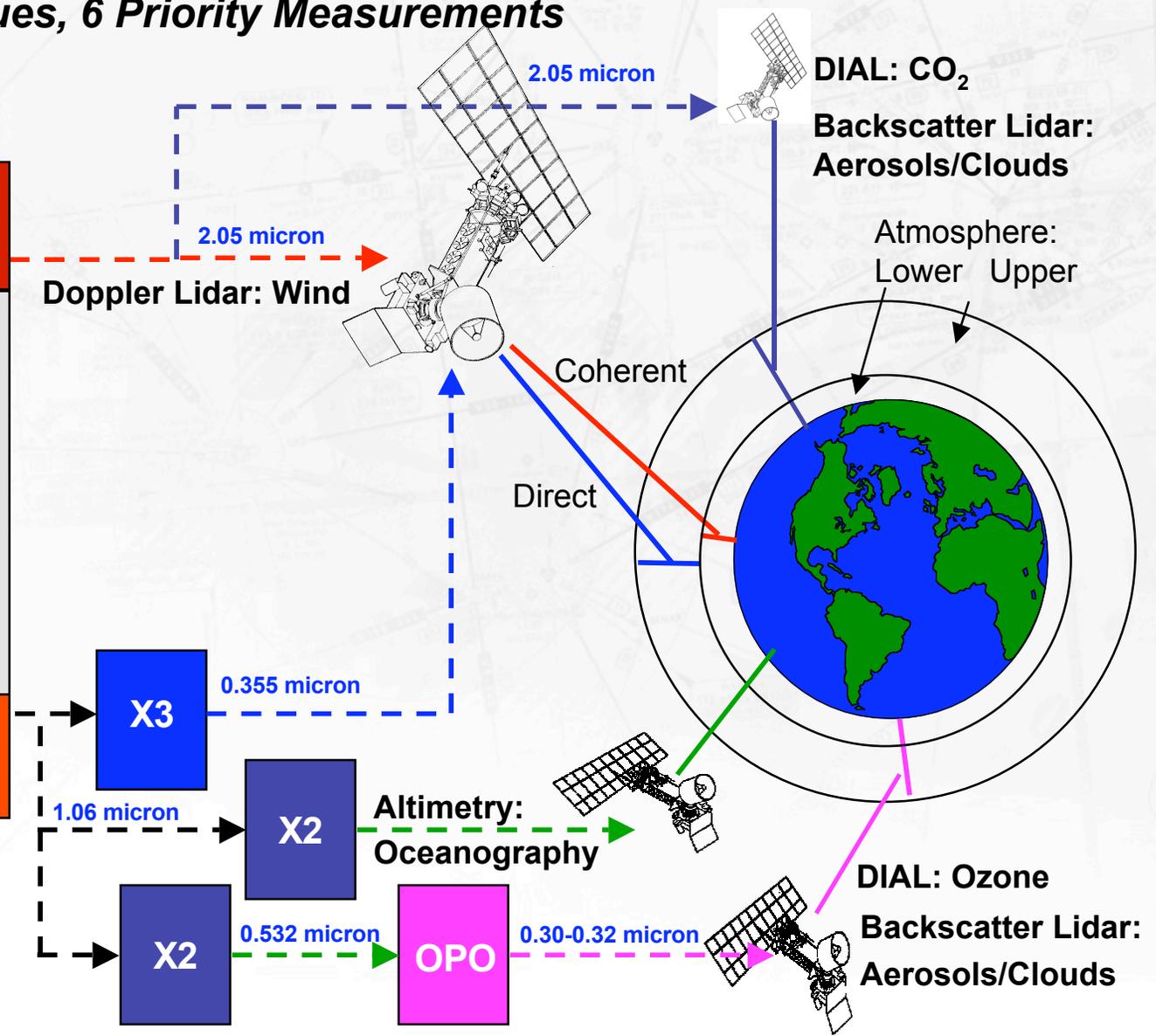
**2 MICRON**

#### Key Technologies in Common

- Laser Diodes
- Laser Induced Damage
- Frequency Control
- Electrical Efficiency
- Heat Removal
- Ruggedness
- Lifetime
- Contamination Tolerance

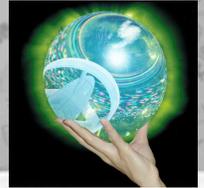
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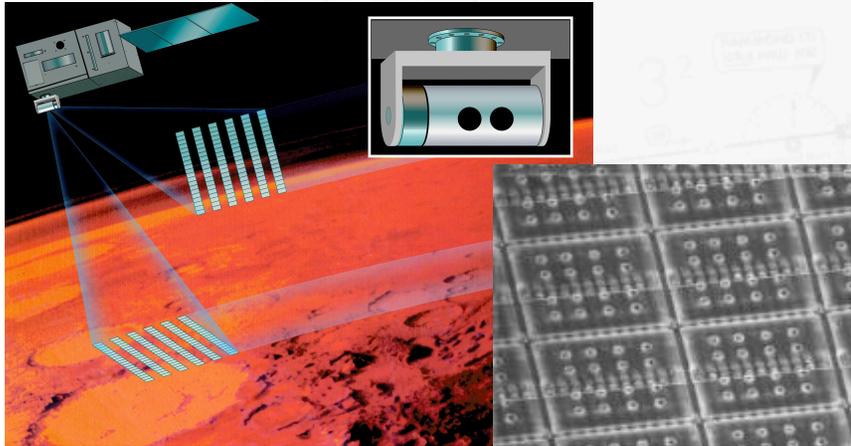




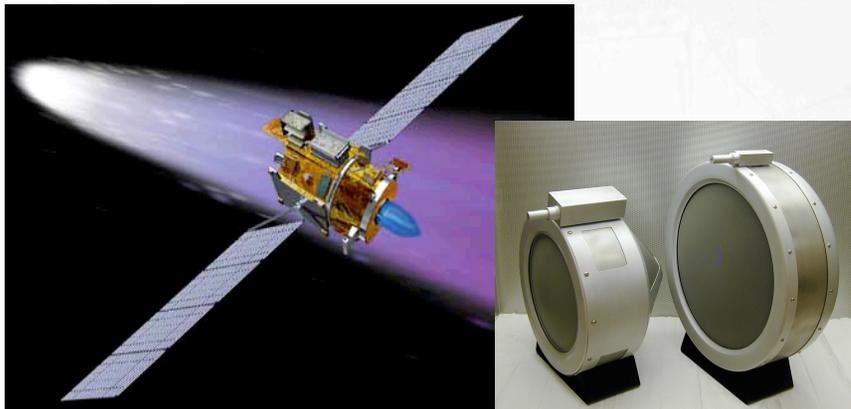
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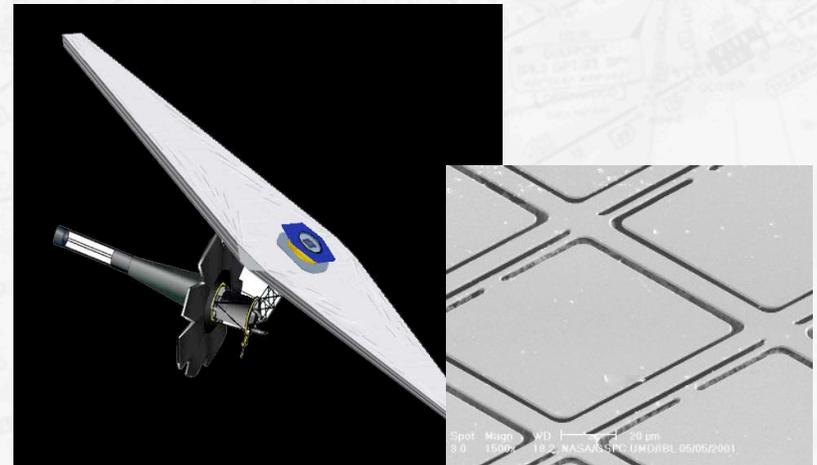
## For Space Science:



*Thermopile IR detectors selected for Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter atmospheric sounder*



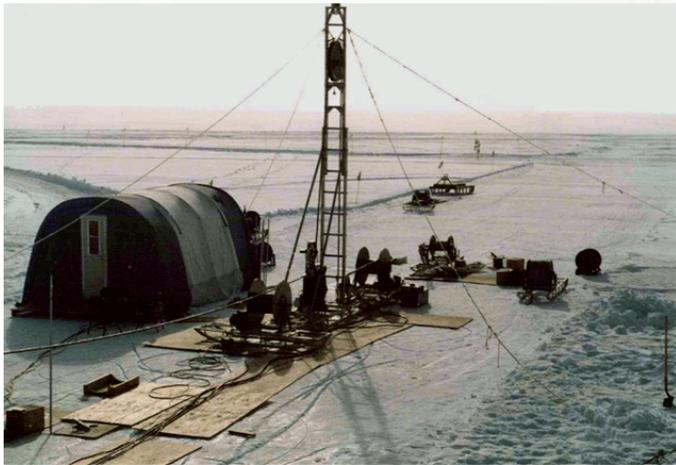
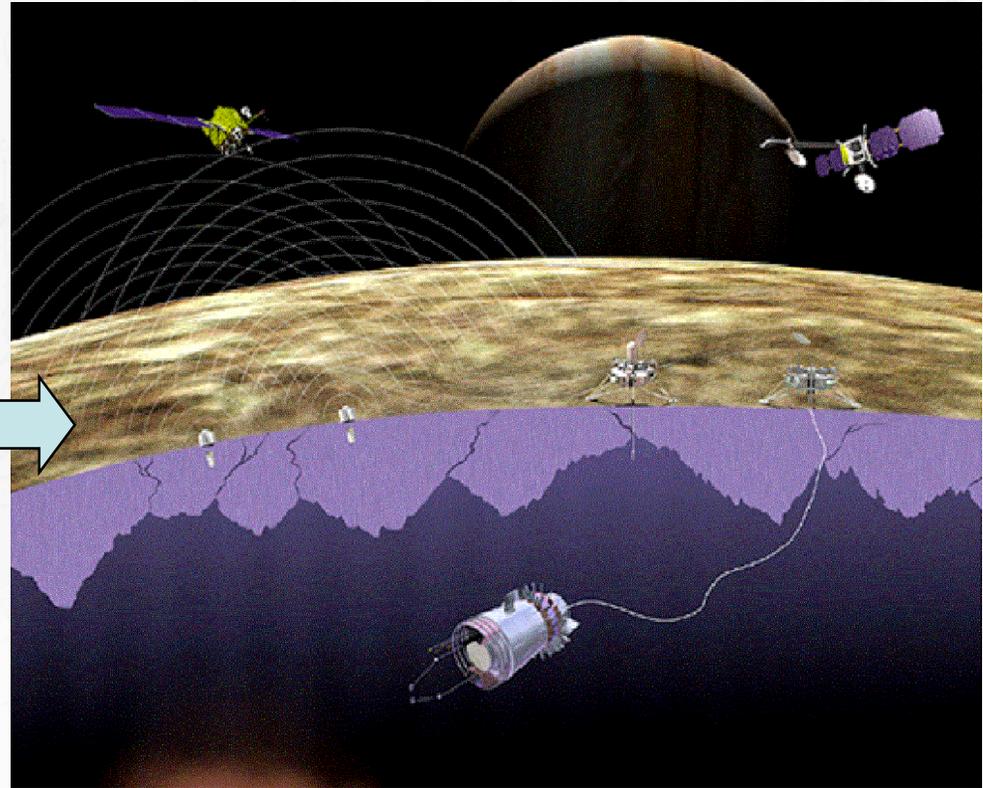
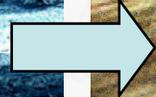
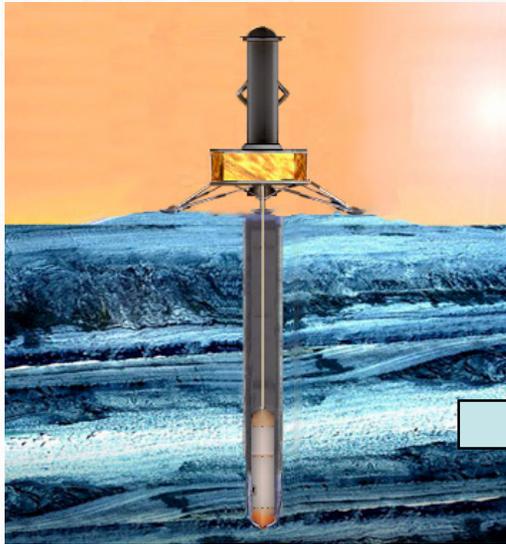
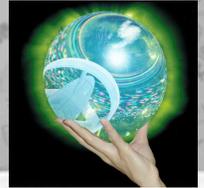
*10kW Next Generation Ion Engine selected for further development by In-Space Propulsion Technology Program.*



*MEMS-based Micro-Shutter Array selected for Next Gen. Space Telescope*



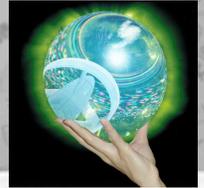
# Cryobot Ice Explorer





## Agency Goal 10

### Objective 10.2 Science Driven Architecture and Technology



#### Challenge:

Increase quantity of scientific measurements of Martian atmosphere

#### Accomplishment:

NASA developed an uncooled thermopile linear array at 1/8th the original weight and using 1/4 of the power specification for the Mars Climate Sounder

#### Impact:

Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter instrument will sample the atmosphere at 20 altitudes simultaneously measuring pressure, temperature, and gas composition.

#### TGIR Accomplishment:

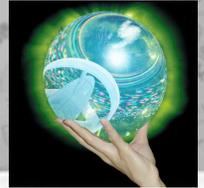


*The Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter will use high-power microwaves to analyze the planet's surface for signs of water.*



## **Agency Goal 9**

### **Objective 9.5 Support for Space Exploration**



#### ***Challenge:***

Reduced travel times and acquire long duration propulsion system for extended space science missions

#### ***Accomplishment:***

NASA developed and tested a 10Kw ion engine design for use in nuclear-electric propulsion.

#### ***Impact:***

Engine produces 4x the power and 60% greater specific impulse than the current state-of-the-art ion engine.

#### ***TGIR Accomplishment:***

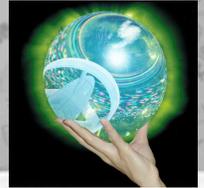


*Ion engine mounted in a JPL testbed*



## Agency Goal 10

### Objective 10.1 Mission Risk Analysis



#### *Challenge:*

Reduce the time and increase the quality of vehicle design

#### *Accomplishment:*

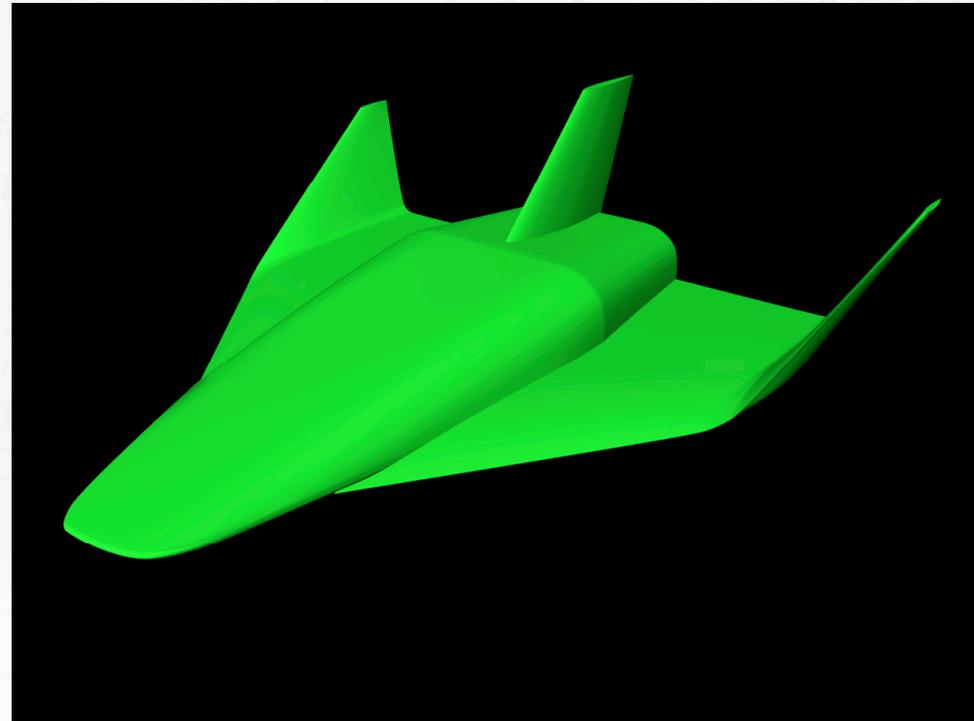
CFD, wind tunnel, and flight test data were all integrated into a real-time piloted simulation.

#### *Impact:*

Real-time evaluations of the handling qualities of RLVs were performed by while designs were still under development.

A virtual lab is now available for collaborative design groups.

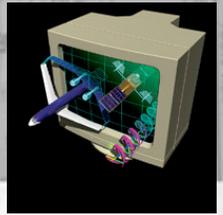
#### *TGIR Accomplishment:*



*Example of Crew Transfer Vehicle (CTV)*



# Innovative Technology Transfer Partnerships Theme



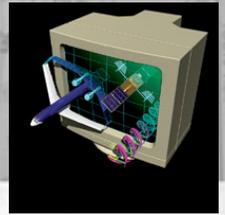
in NASA Technology Development

Economic Strength



## Agency Goal 3

### Objective 3.3 Extending Benefits to Society



#### Challenge:

There is a medical need for a easy to use fetal heart monitor for non-medical environments.

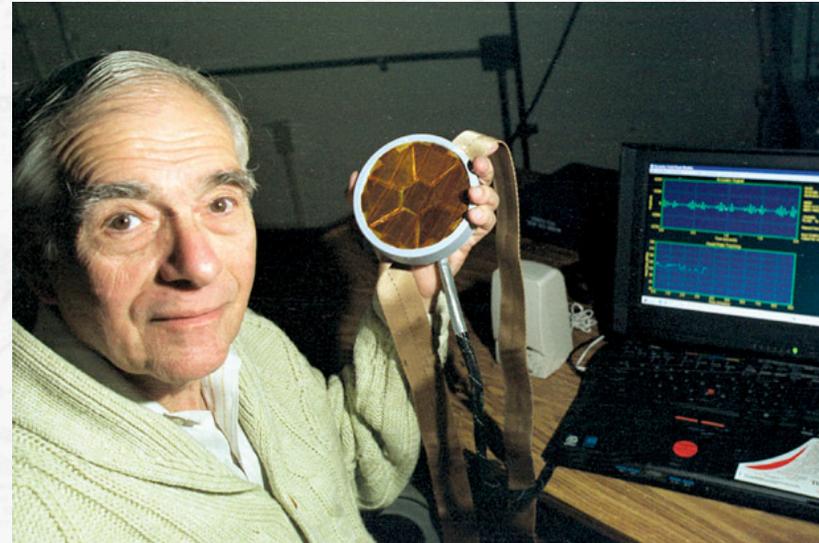
#### *Accomplishment:*

NASA thin electro-active film technology used to measure pressure associated with airflow in wind tunnel modified for use in fetal heart monitoring.

#### *Impact:*

Transferred and licensed technology to Baby Beats Inc. to develop prototype heart monitoring system.

#### TGIR Accomplishment:

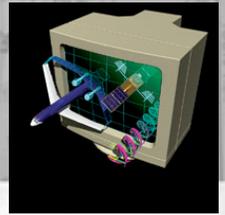


*Material used for wing surface measurements is flexible and is ideally suited for fetal testing.*



## Agency Goal 3

### Objective 3.3 Extending Benefits to Society



#### Challenge:

There is a commercial demand for faster CFD simulation – a technology that NASA has

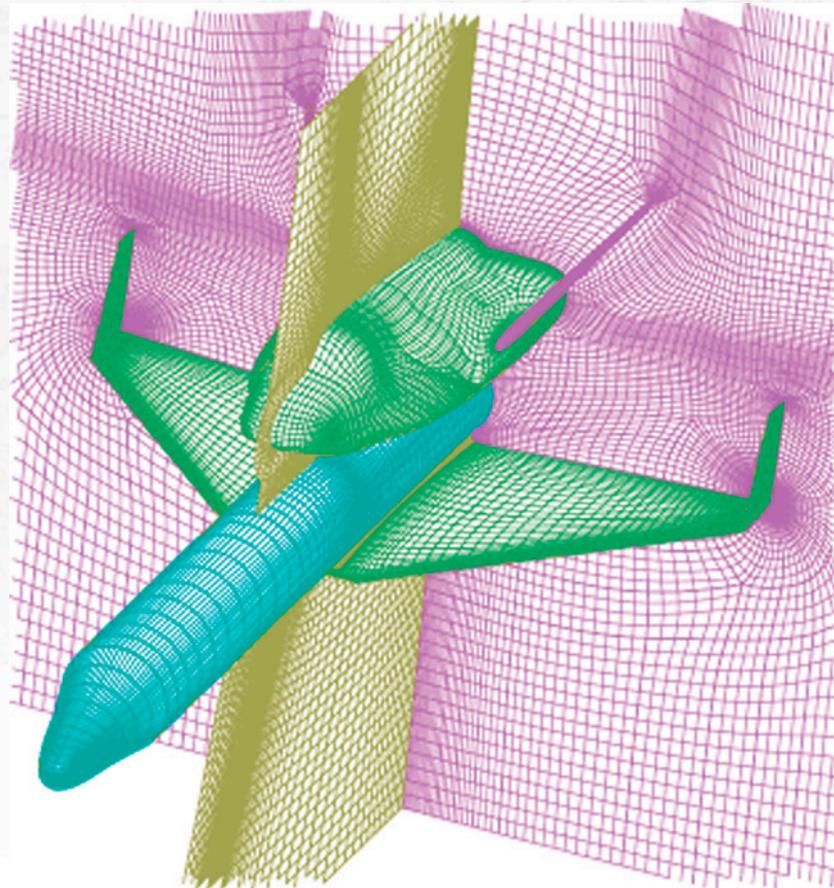
#### *Accomplishment:*

Developed CART 3D, an aerodynamic simulation tool, jointly with NYU. Tool has been licensed to industry for uses beyond aerospace applications.

#### *Impact:*

CART 3D will revolutionize CFD simulations. Enables complex geometries to be modeled 100 times faster than current state-of-the-art.

#### TGIR Accomplishment:



*Program Development Company's GridPro technology used for conceptual design of a two-stage-to-orbit launcher.*



# Aerospace Technology Expertise

A Resource to the Nation

NASA support for Flight 587 accident investigation.



NASA Technologies assists in V-22 Osprey accident investigation



New NASA Technology assists in Columbia accident investigation



Virtual Reconstruction of Columbia  
Scanned Left Wing Lead





## **Enterprise Highlights**

### **Agency Budget:**

- NASA's new Mission and Vision is the lens through which we view all Aerospace Technology activities - implemented through themes
- "As only NASA can" - pursue activities unique to our mission
- Defining and implementing Full-Cost management and Headquarters program lead



## **Enterprise Highlights**

### ***Enterprise Initiatives:***

- FY '04 initiatives were funded within existing budget to ensure a Credible, Responsible and Compelling program
- Implemented Independent External Reviews: MSM - completed; Aeronautics Technology is ongoing; SLI next year
- Realigned our organizational structure to strengthen our Theme Program Management Capabilities
- The FY'02 Performance and Accountability Report has 12 GPRA performance goals for OAT, all of which are rated green or better.



## **Theme Highlights**

### ***Aeronautics Technology:***

- Funded four of key initiatives -- Aviation Security, QAT, UAV in the NAS, and Airspace Systems
- Reflects strengthened working relationship with DoD, FAA, and DOT

### ***Space Launch Initiative:***

- Reformulated SLI Program consistent with Agency program and budget priorities

### ***Mission & Science Measurement Technology:***

- Greater coordination with and support of the NASA Science Enterprises
- Independent External Review (by the NRC) validated our customer orientation and research priorities

### ***Integrated Technology Transfer Partnership:***

- Refocuses overall effort by reducing our commercialization (spin-off) efforts to place greater emphasis on “Spin-in” Technology Transfer

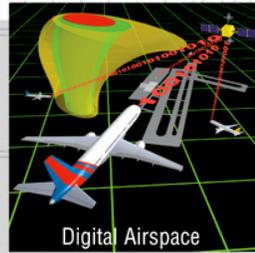


# Opportunities



*Toward A Bold New Era of Aviation* 2002 2005 2008 2009 2012 2018 2025

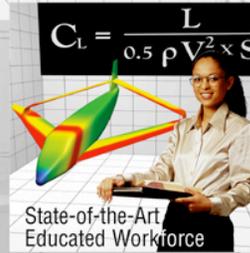
## The NASA Aeronautics Blueprint— Toward a Bold New Era of Aviation



Digital Airspace



Security & Safety



State-of-the-Art  
Educated Workforce



Revolutionary Vehicles



Aerospace Leadership

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## *Support for Aerospace Research has been Growing on a National Level*



- **Strong Recommendations from the Commission:**

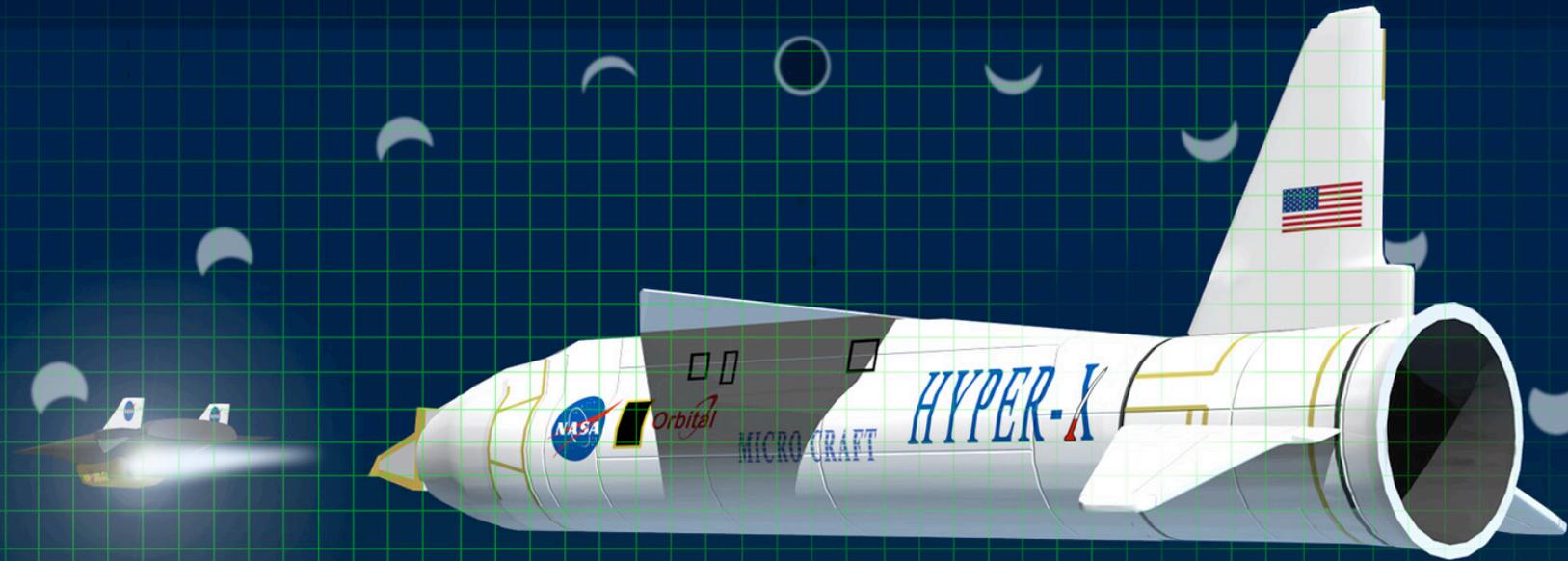
- “. . . transformation of the U.S. air transportation system . . .”
- “. . . create a space imperative.”
- “. . . invigorates and sustains the aerospace industrial base.”
- “. . . promote the growth of, a scientifically and technologically trained U.S. aerospace workforce. . .”
- “. . . significantly increase its investment in basic aerospace research, . . .”

- **Strong Congressional Support:**

- Dodd - Allen S 309: Aeronautics Research and Development Revitalization Act of 2003
- Larson Forbes HR 586: Aeronautics Research and Development Revitalization Act of 2003



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**Celebrating our Accomplishments**



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*Space Launch Initiative* ..... *Aeronautics* .....  
*Mission Science Measurement*  
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