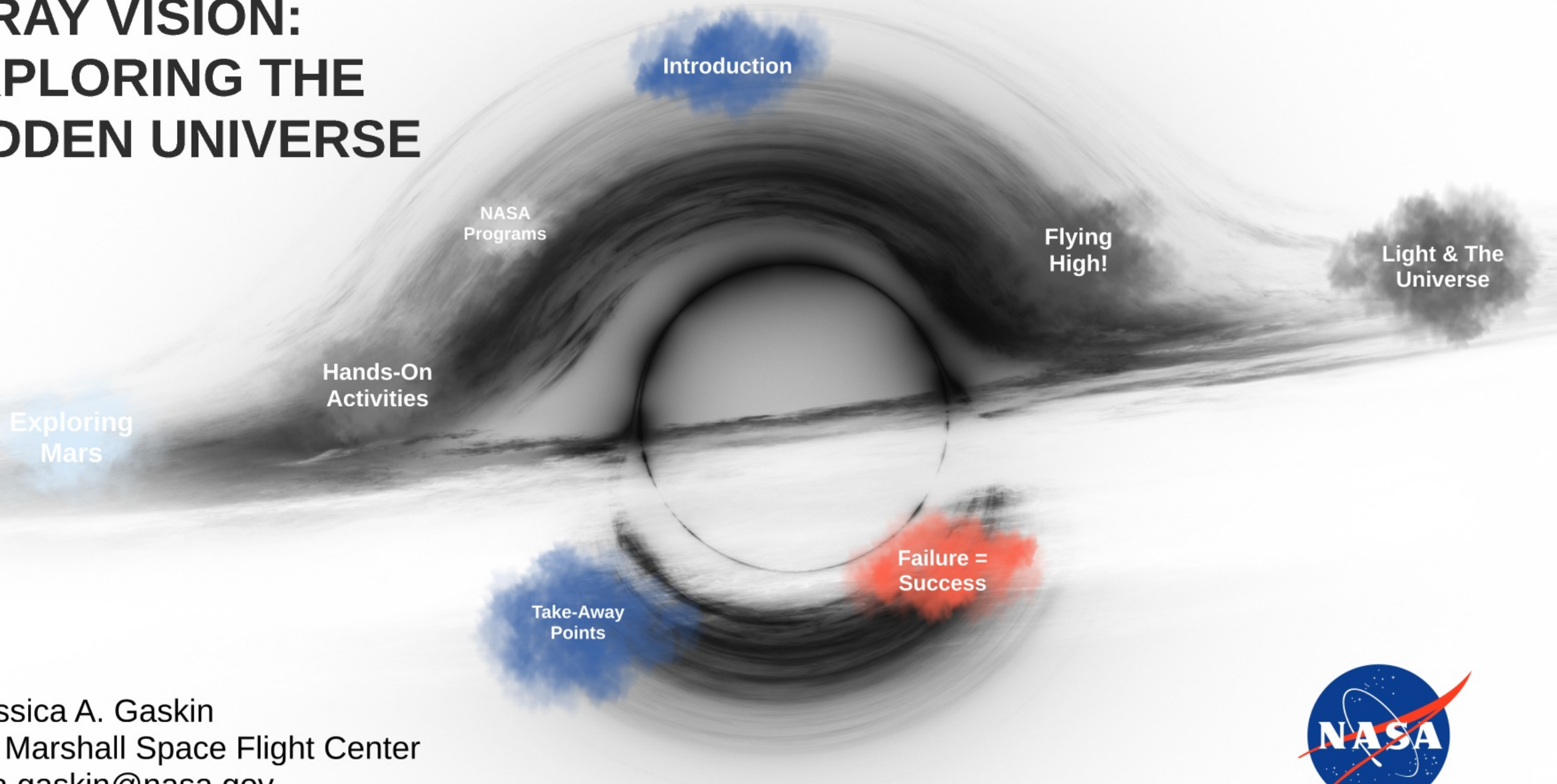
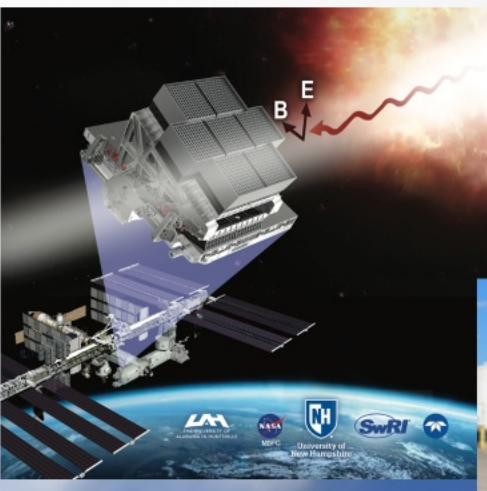


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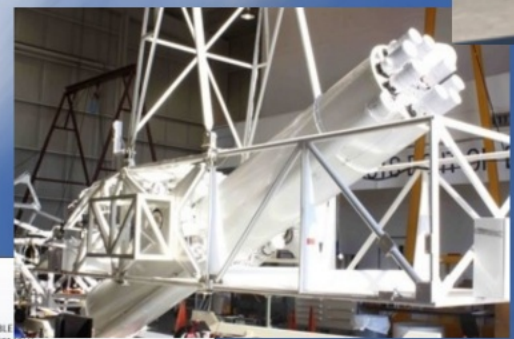




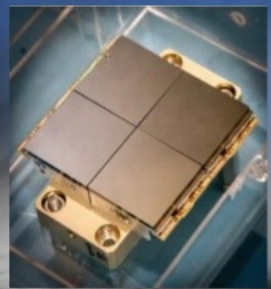
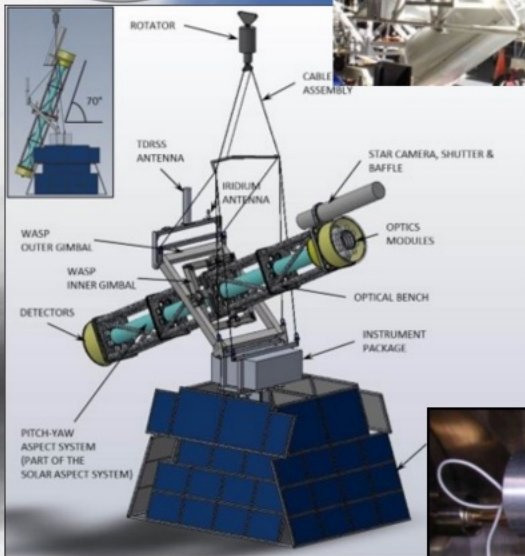
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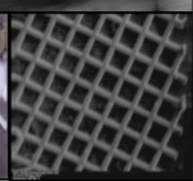
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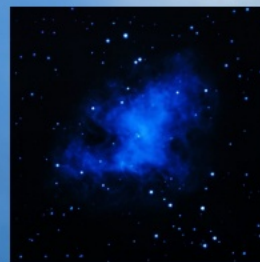


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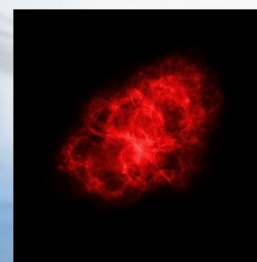


The Complete? Universe

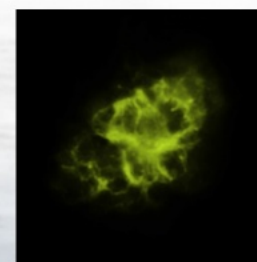
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(Composite Image)



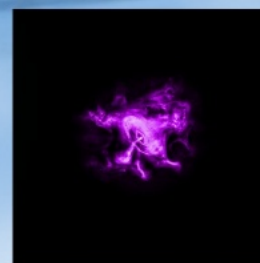
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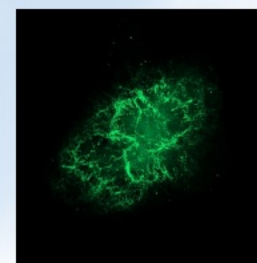
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Spitzer
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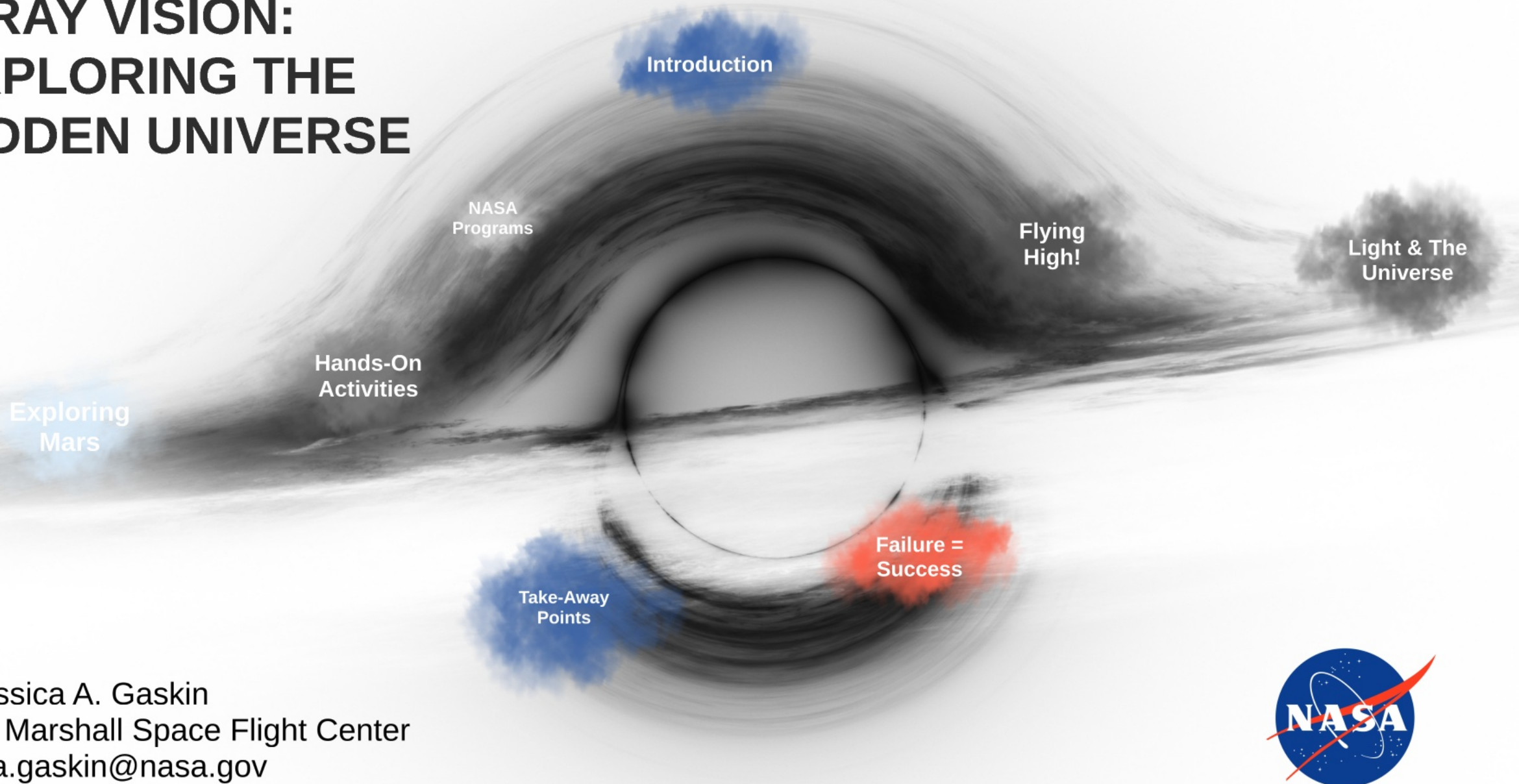


Chandra
(X-ray)



Hubble
(Visible)

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Balloons



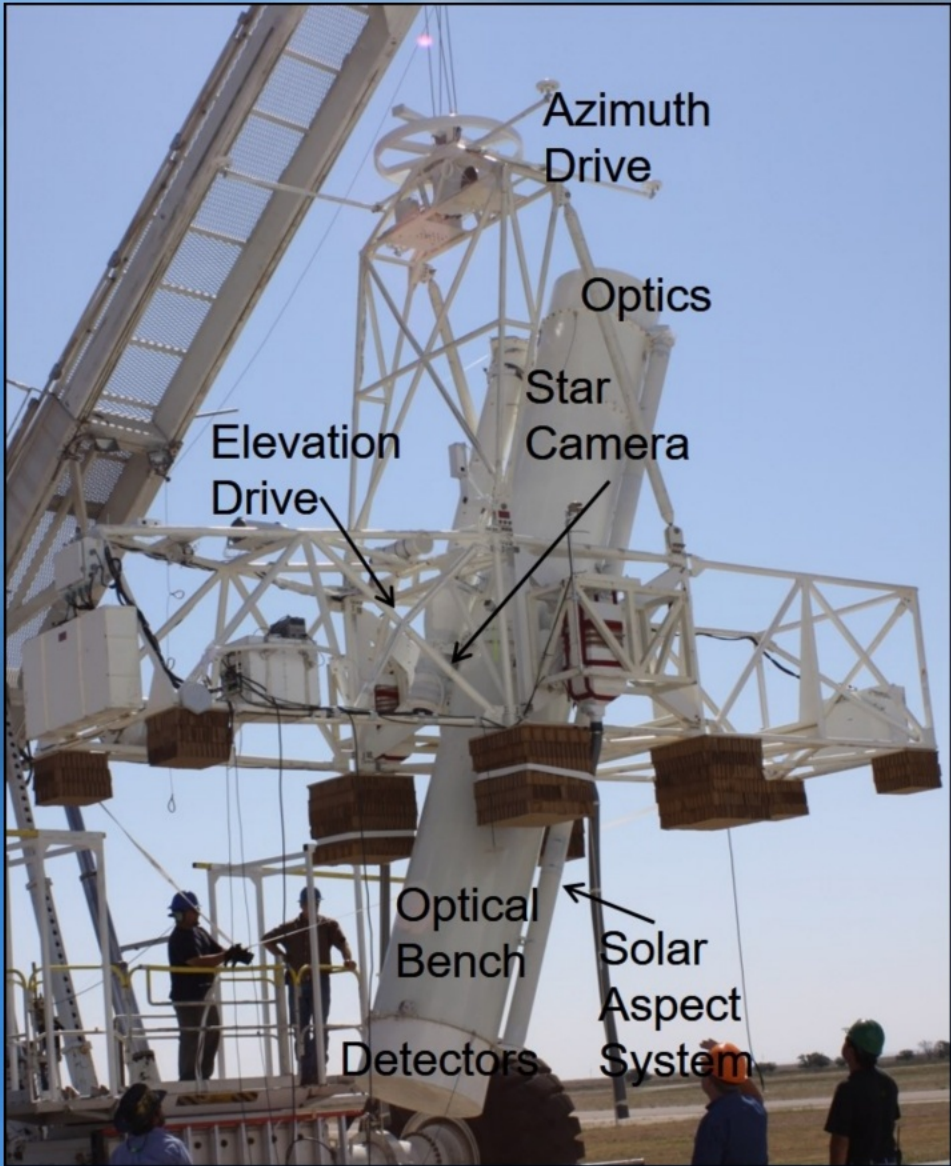
Rockets



Flying
High!

Spacecraft





High Energy Replicated Optics to Explore the Sun (HEROES) Mission

Balloon - Borne Payloads

History

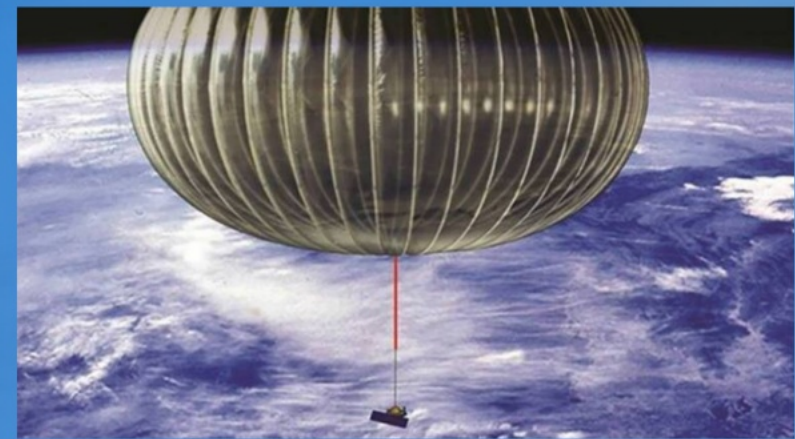
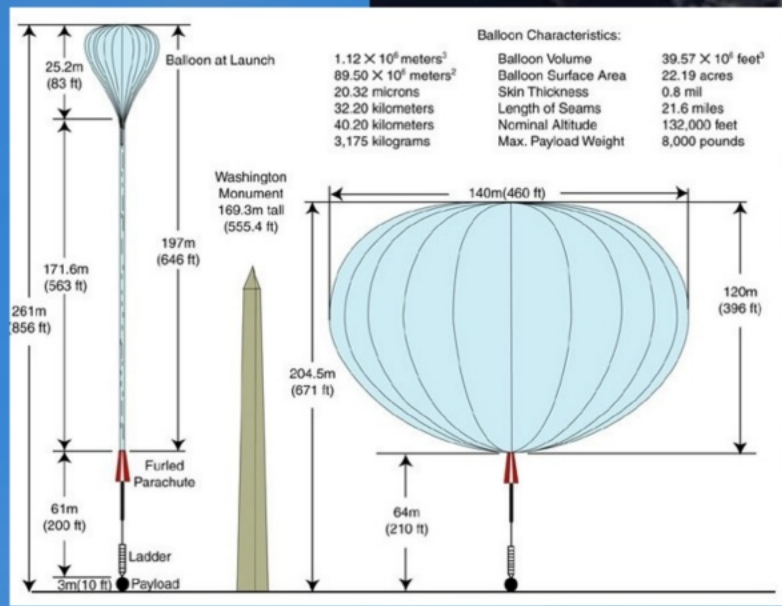
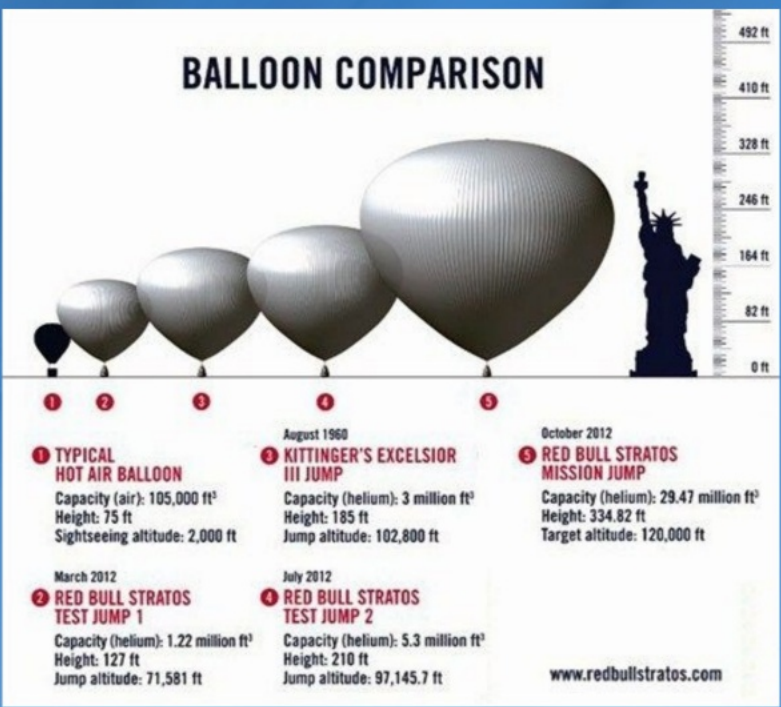
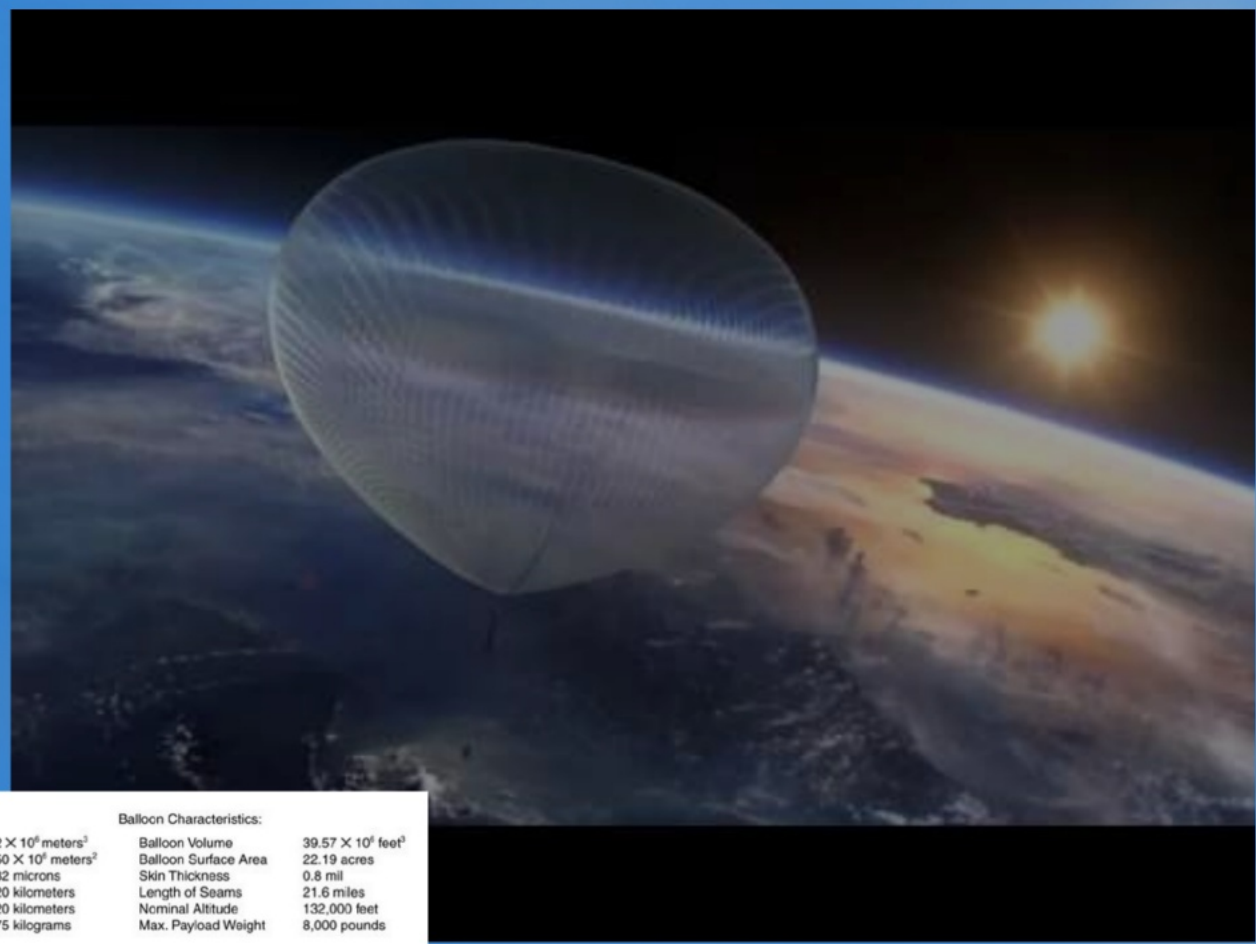
Scientific
Balloons

Launch,
Flight,
Landing

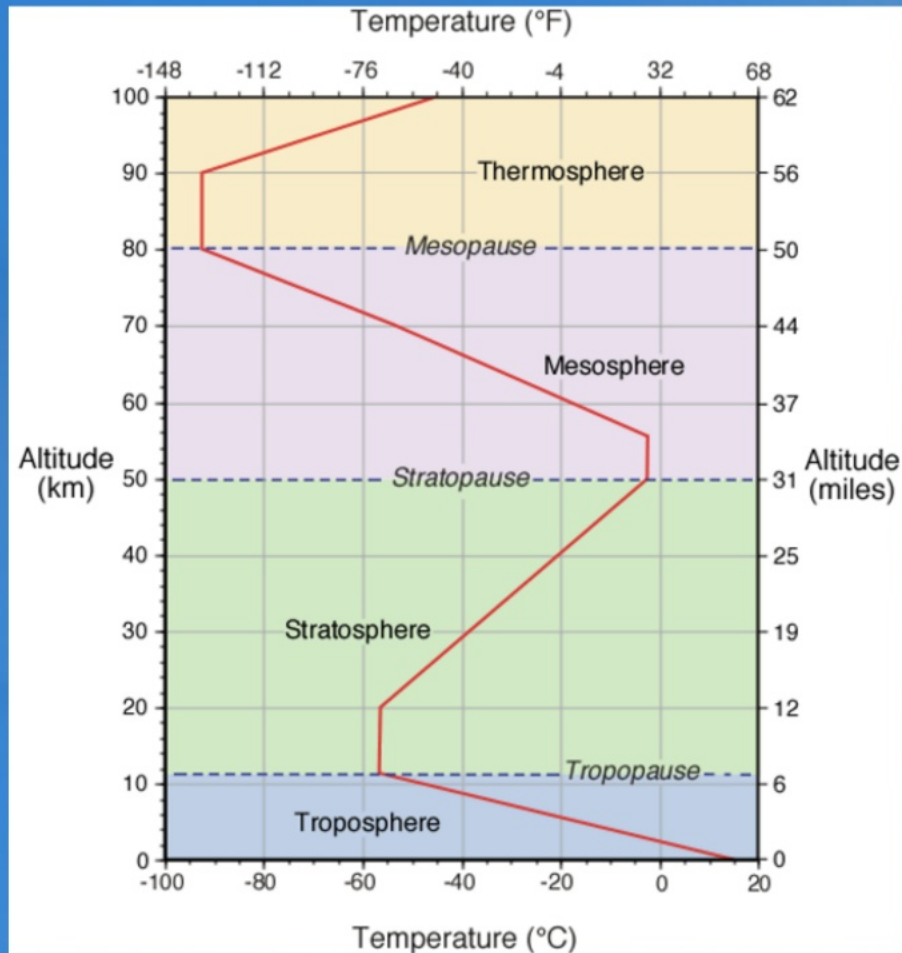
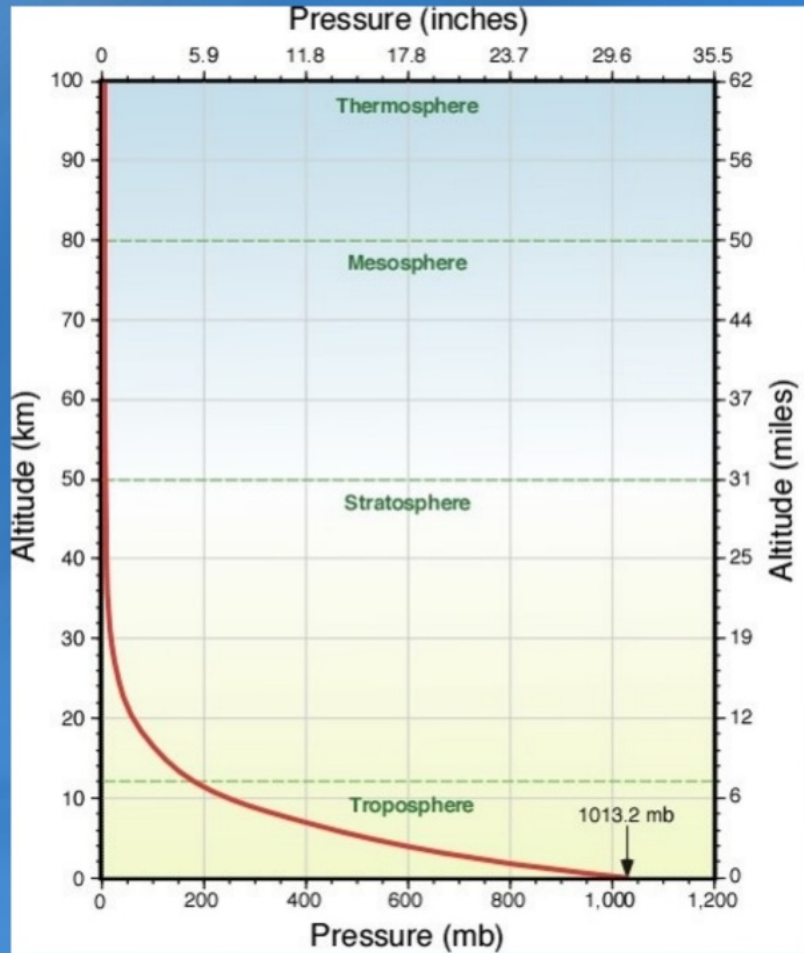
SuperHERO

Conventional and Long Duration Balloon Missions

- Vented zero-pressure balloons with ballast.
- Conventional duration balloon missions last ~<48 hours
- Long Duration Flights from Antarctica last up to ~55 days with multiple circumnavigations.
- Ultra-Long Duration Flights can last up to ~100 days.



High-Altitude Ballooning Challenges



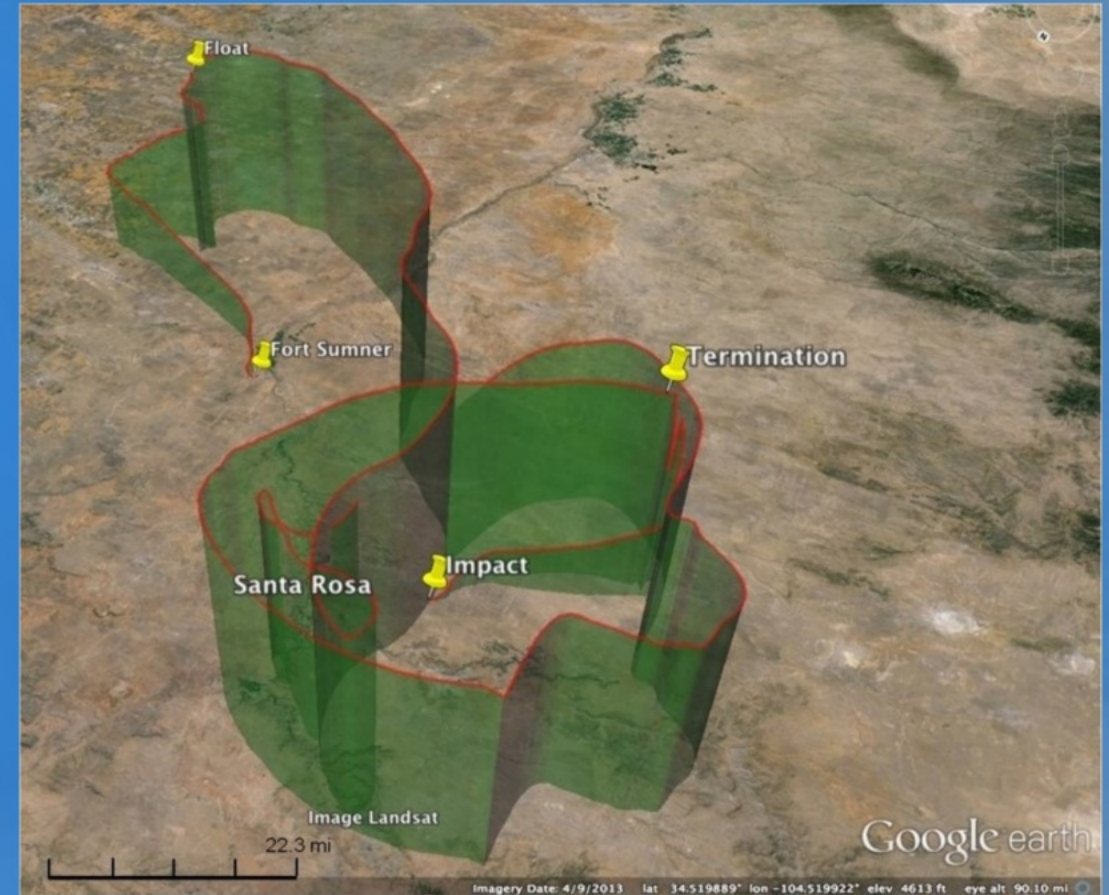
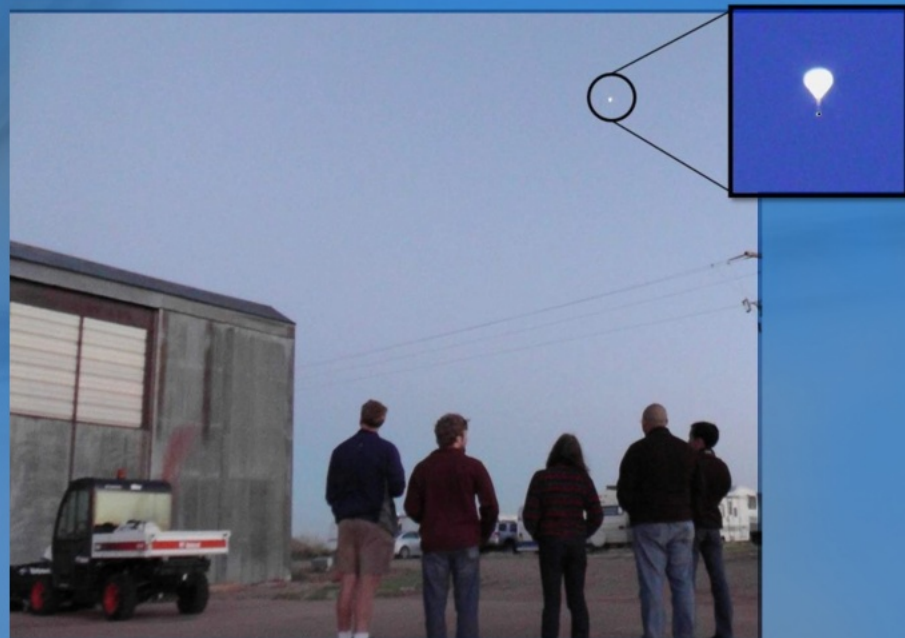
HEROES Mission

Astrophysics

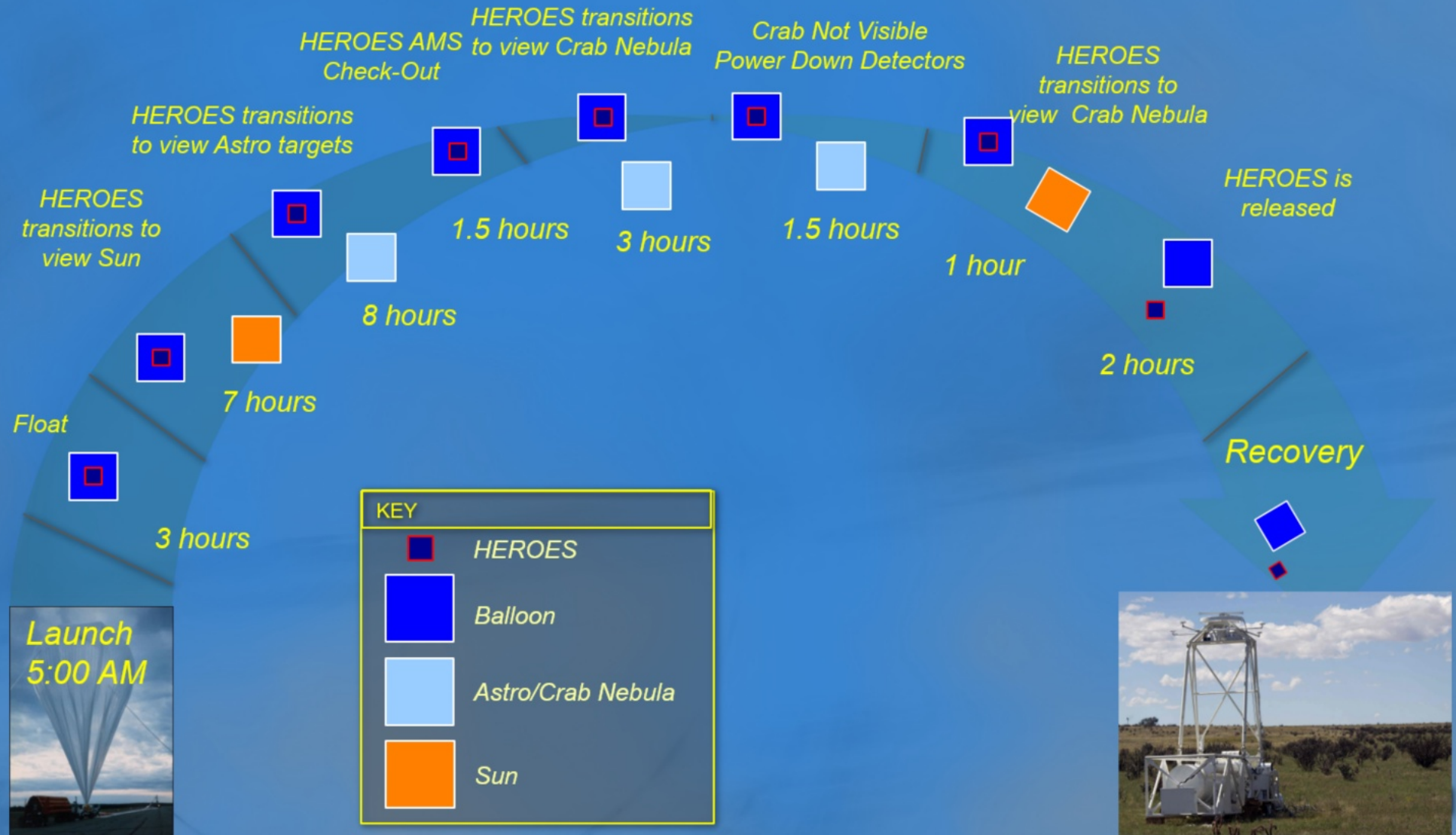
- Investigate the scale of high energy processes in a pulsar wind nebula.
- Investigate the hard X-ray properties of astrophysical targets such as X-ray binaries and active galactic nuclei.

Heliophysics

- Investigate electron acceleration in the non-flaring solar corona by searching for the hard X-ray signature of energetic electrons.
- Investigate the acceleration and transport of energetic electrons in solar flares.

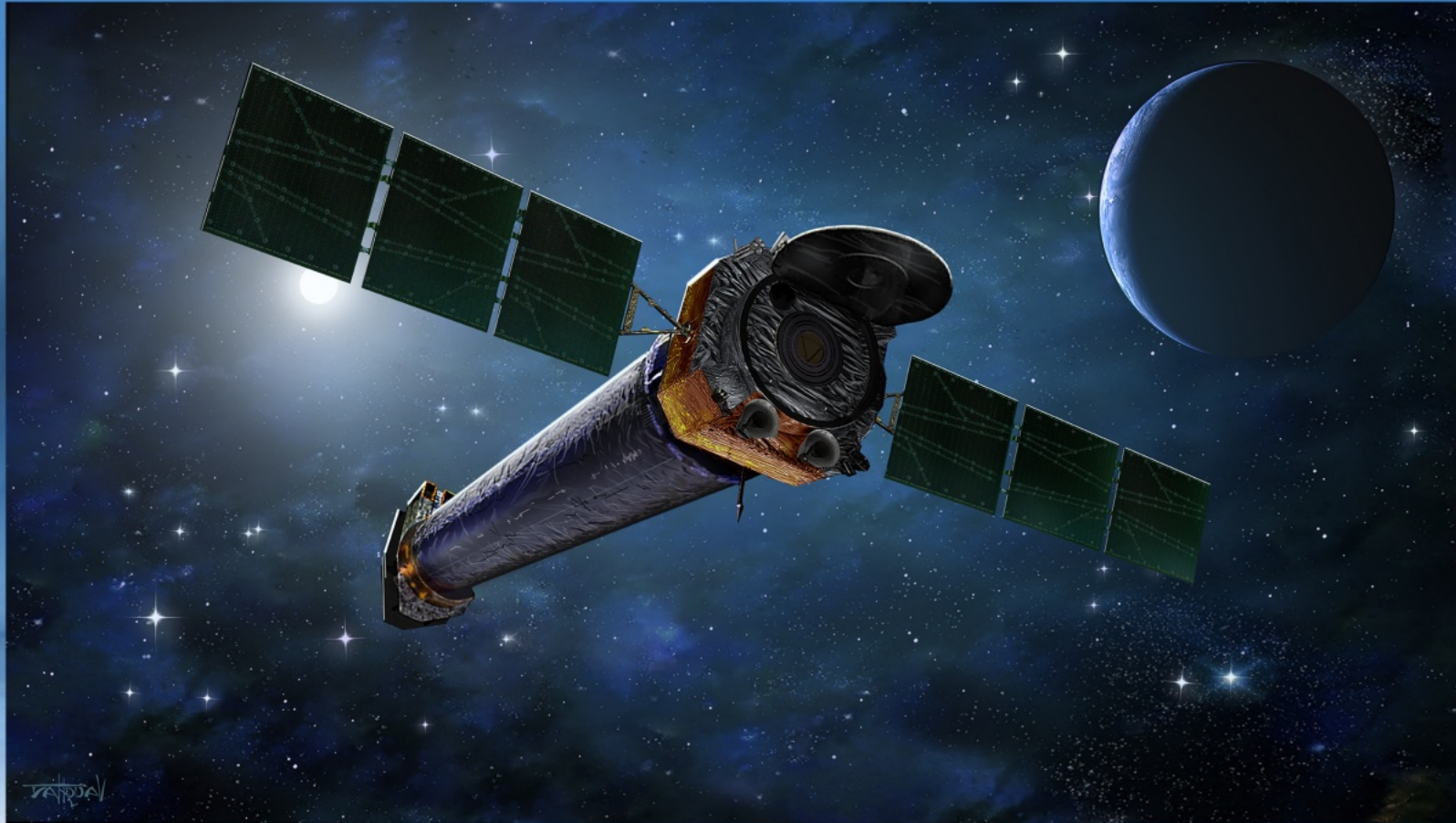


HEROES Observations



Space-Based Missions

X-Ray
Optics

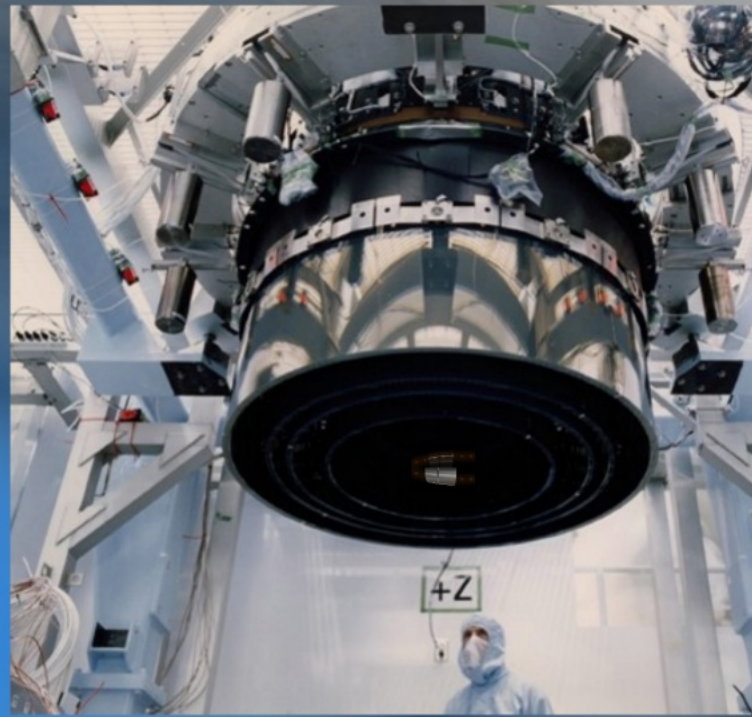


Chandra
X-Ray
Observatory

Lynx
Observatory

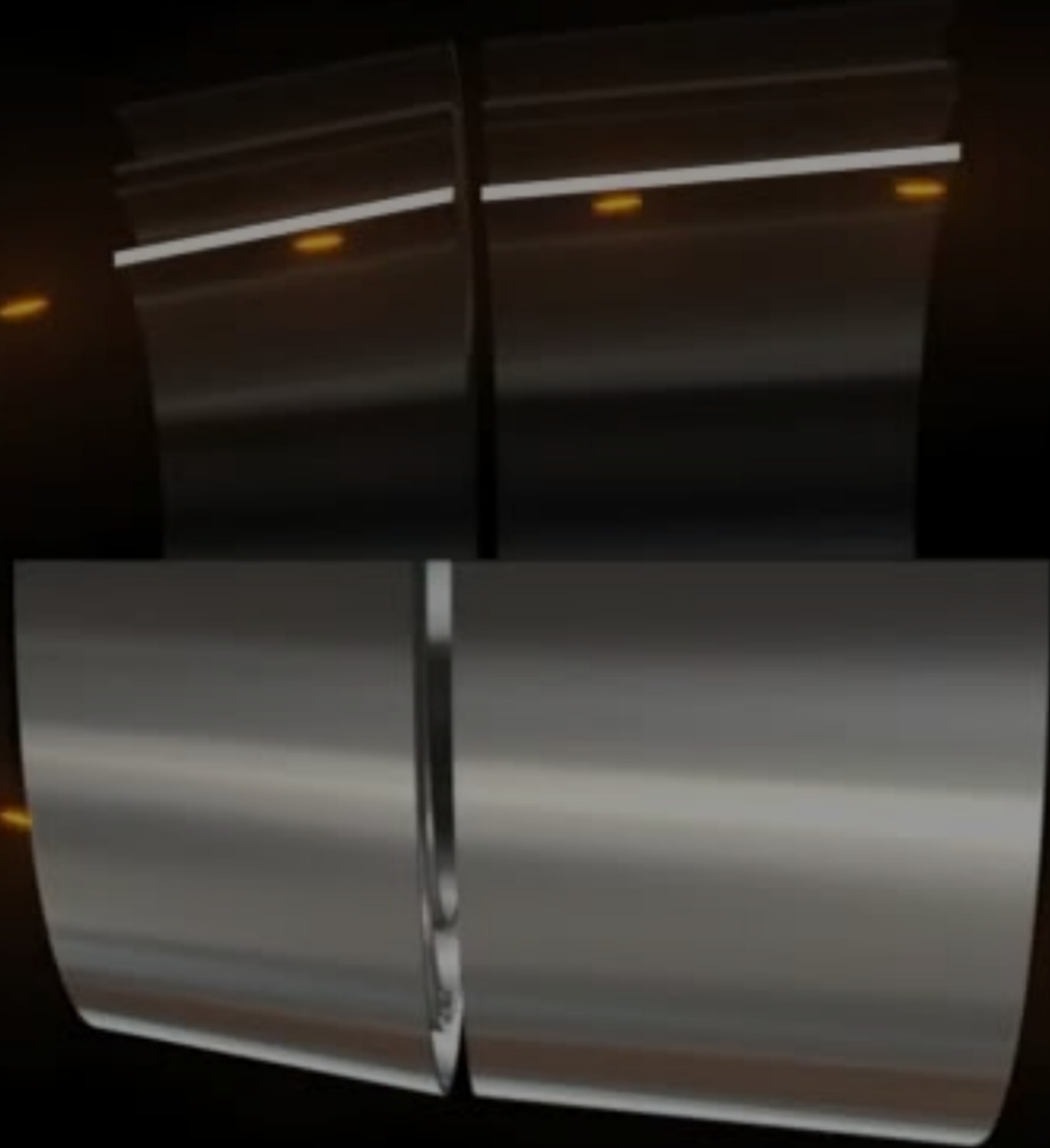
Chandra X-Ray Observatory

Focusing the Unseen Universe

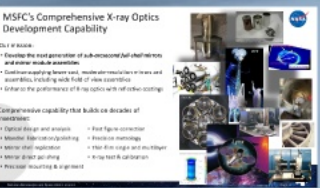
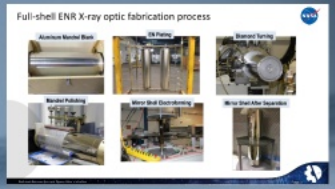
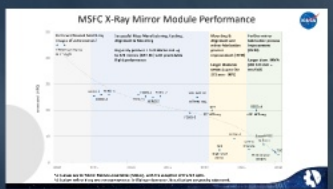


MSFC Advanced Optics: Formulation to Flight





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MSFC X-Ray Astrophysics & Optics Team



- Core members of *Chandra*
- Core members of *IXPE*
- X-Ray / Multi-Wavelength Astrophysics
- Mission Development, Leadership, and Support
- Advanced X-ray Optics
- High-Energy Detector Systems
- Large Mission Concepts

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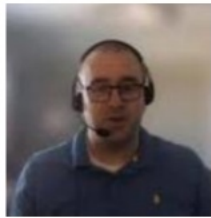
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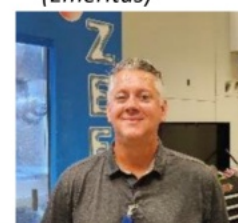
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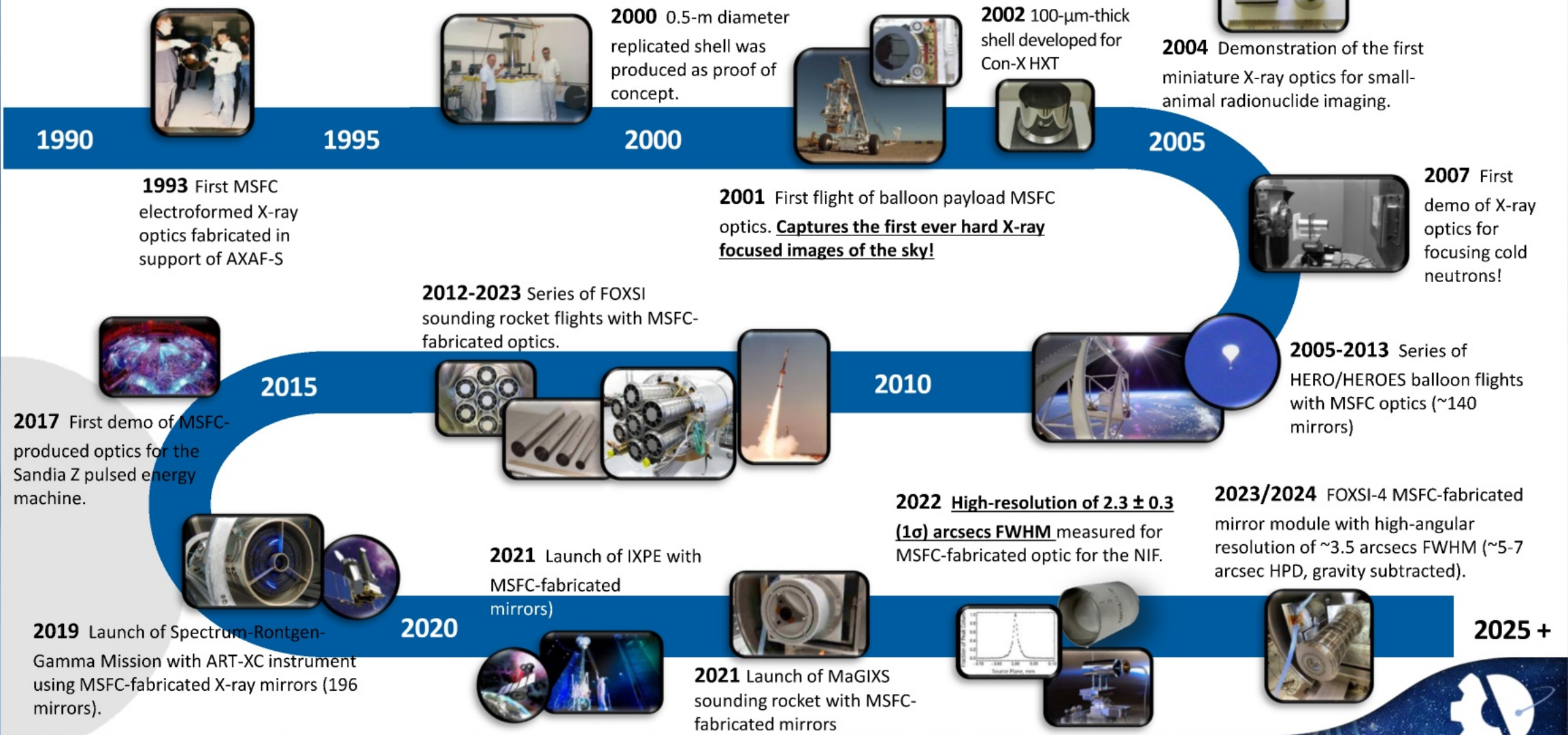


David Banks



MSFC'S Legacy

MSFC Replicated X-Ray Optics 30 Years of Development, Test, and Flight



MSFC's Comprehensive X-ray Optics Development Capability

Our mission:

- Develop the next generation of sub-arcsecond full-shell mirrors and mirror module assemblies
- Continue supplying lower-cost, moderate-resolution mirrors and assemblies, including wide field-of-view assemblies
- Enhance the performance of X-ray optics with reflective coatings

Comprehensive capability that builds on decades of investment:

- Optical design and analysis
- Mandrel Fabrication/polishing
- Mirror shell replication
- Mirror direct polishing
- Precision mounting & alignment
- Post figure-correction
- Precision metrology
- Thin-film single and multilayer
- X-ray test & calibration



Full-shell ENR X-ray optic fabrication process

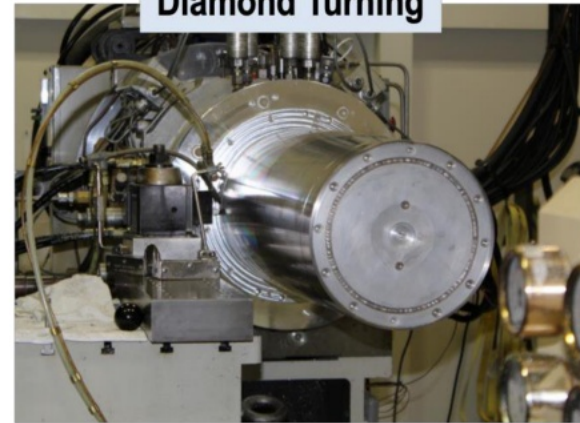
Aluminum Mandrel Blank



EN Plating



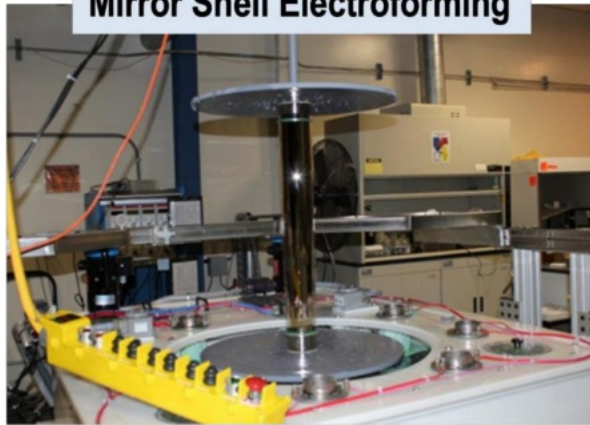
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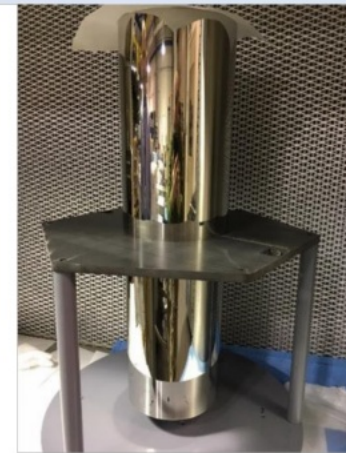
Mandrel Polishing



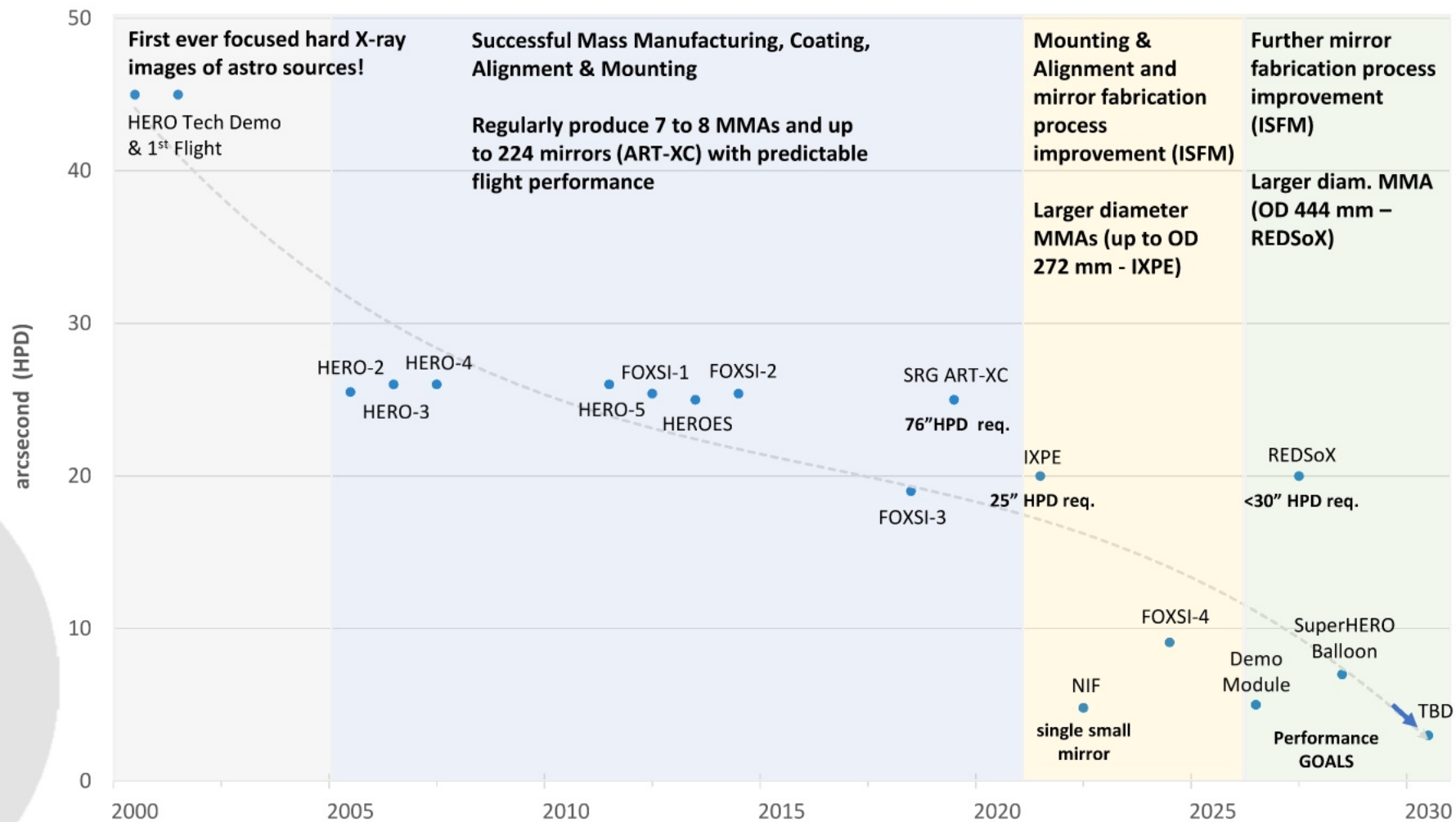
Mirror Shell Electroforming



Mirror Shell After Separation



MSFC X-Ray Mirror Module Performance



*All values are for Mirror Module Assemblies (MMAs), with the exception of the NIF optic.

*All values reflect X-ray test measurements or in-flight performance. Not all values are gravity subtracted.



The Marshall 100-Meter X-ray Beamline Stray Light Test Facility



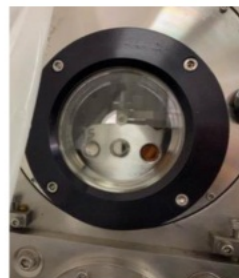
X-Ray and Cryogenic Facility



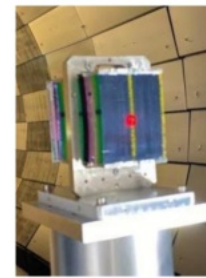
IXPE MMA calibration at Marshall-100m

- Marshall 100 m beamline is an end-to-end test facility for flight and lab X-ray optics, instruments, and telescopes.
- Highly-capable, low-overhead, user-friendly facility.
- X-ray sources from 0.25 to 110 keV.
- Sounding rocket skins can now be mounted directly to the chamber.

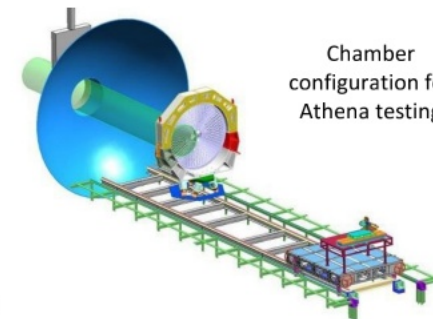
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XRCF Filter Wheel



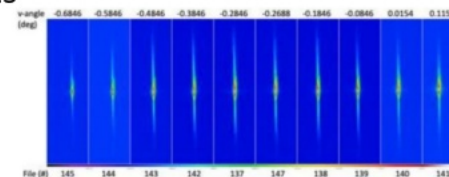
Athena SPO optic test



Chamber configuration for Athena testing

2024 Astro ISFM: Capability Improvements

- X-ray Source and Instrumentation
 - Electron Impact Point Source (EIPS)
 - Filter Wheel Assembly
 - Beam Monitors
 - Focal Plane Instrumentation
- X-ray Data Acquisition and Control System
- Alignment and Metrology Monitoring System
- Focal Plane Instrumentation Positioning System
- Test Article Positioning System
- Upcoming work: Calibration of Schott mirror for HWO & MSFC AMTD mirror.



CCD Alignment X-ray data for SPO test

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NASA MSFC X-Ray Group Job Pre-Advertisement - 2024

Location: Huntsville, Alabama

Multiple Positions: GS13/14 and GS14/15 Permanent-Hires

Level: Early- and Mid-Career

Sector: Government and National Lab

Work Function/Discipline: Science Research/Physics-Astrophysics

Preferred Education: Doctorate

Citizenship: United States

NASA's George C. Marshall Space Flight Center (MSFC) X-Ray Group in the Astrophysics Branch of the Science and Technology Office plans to hire an early- and mid-career Permanent-Hire research astrophysicist. Successful candidates are expected to conduct an independent program in the research, development, and testing of the next generation of X-ray optics and instrumentation, and to lead/support a thriving high-energy astrophysics research and analysis program that is focused around current and proposed astrophysics missions. The X-ray Group is currently seeking **declarations of interest** via a submitted letter of interest and CV (see below).



Chandra can detect and image X-ray sources that are billions of light years away.

The focusing power is equivalent to the ability to read a newspaper at a distance of half a mile!



25 Years of Science with Chandra



Milky Way Central Region



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Jupiter



Crab Nebula



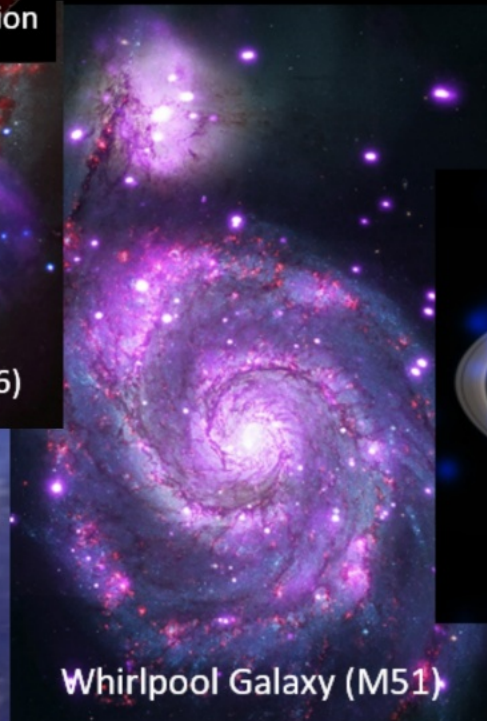
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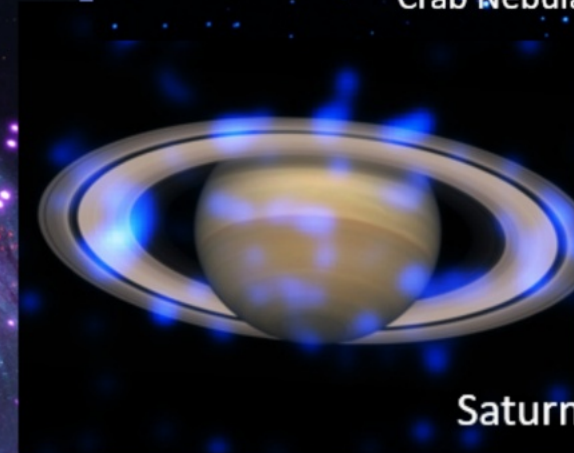
NGC 6357



NGC 4258 (M106)



Whirlpool Galaxy (M51)



Saturn



Perseus Cluster



Cyg X-1

Pathways to Discovery in Astronomy and
Astrophysics for the 2020s



Probe Dark Matter and Dark Energy, Exoplanets, and the Origins of Life



X - R A Y O B S E R V A T O R Y

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X-RAY OBSERVATORY
LYNX



<https://www.lynxobservatory.com/>

 **HabEx**



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 **LUVOIR**



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 **Origins**



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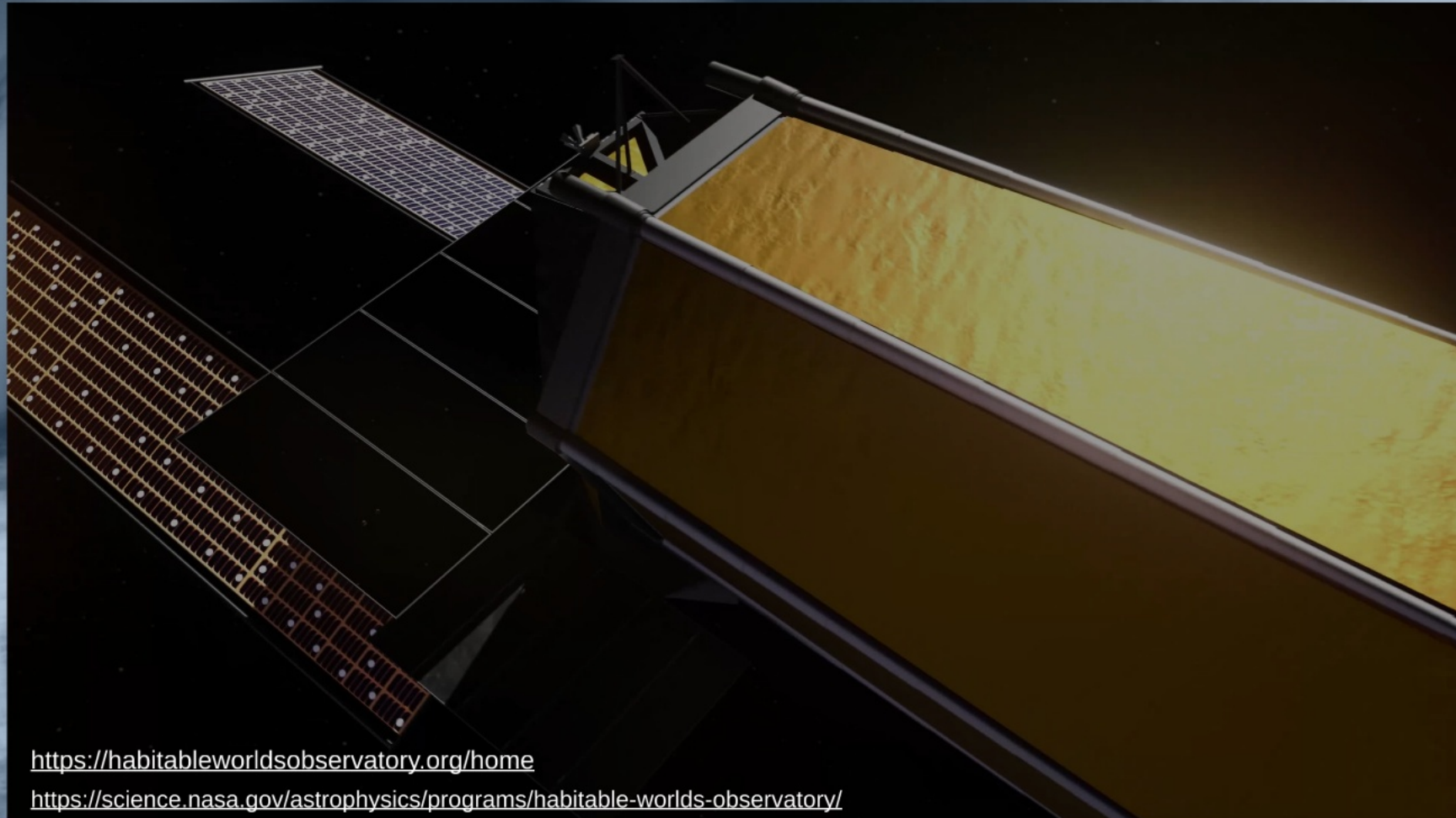
Probe Class Missions: AXIS, CDIM, CETUS, EarthFinder, GEP, PICO, POEMMA, Starshade, STROBE-X, TAP

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Habitable Worlds Observatory

Creating a 'Super-Hubble'

The Habitable Worlds Observatory will have a large mirror that lets it observe light like NASA's Hubble Space Telescope. It aims to find and study at least 25 Earth-like planets orbiting other stars. This 'super-Hubble' will help us discover how common these planets are. Besides searching for life, it will greatly enhance our understanding of the universe in the coming years, building on the successes of past missions like Hubble, Webb, and Roman.



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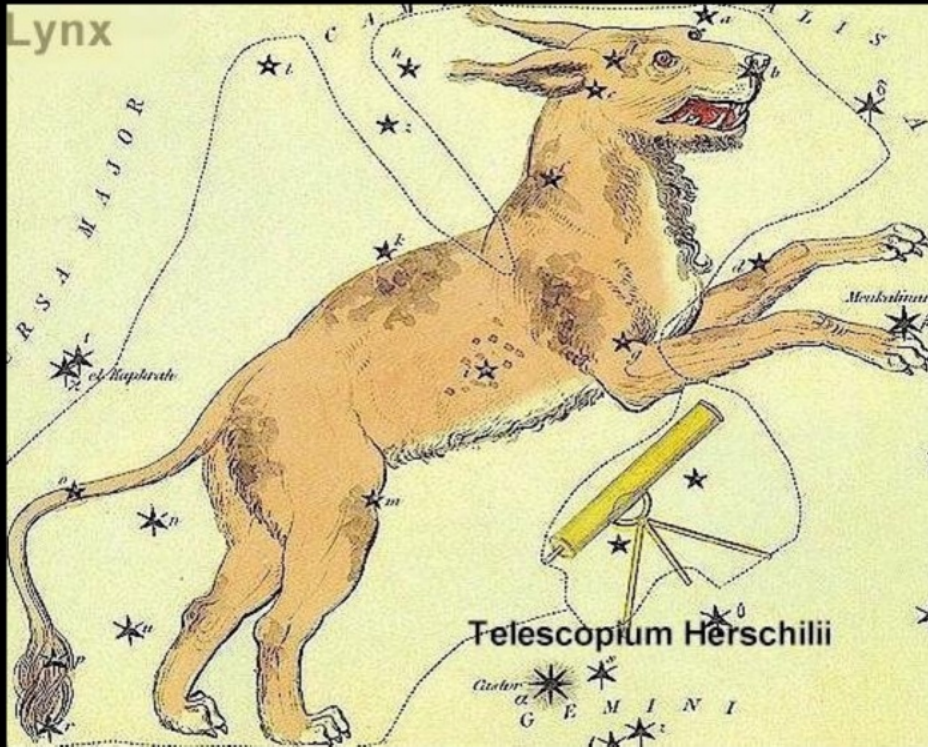
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The Next Great X-Ray
Observatory!



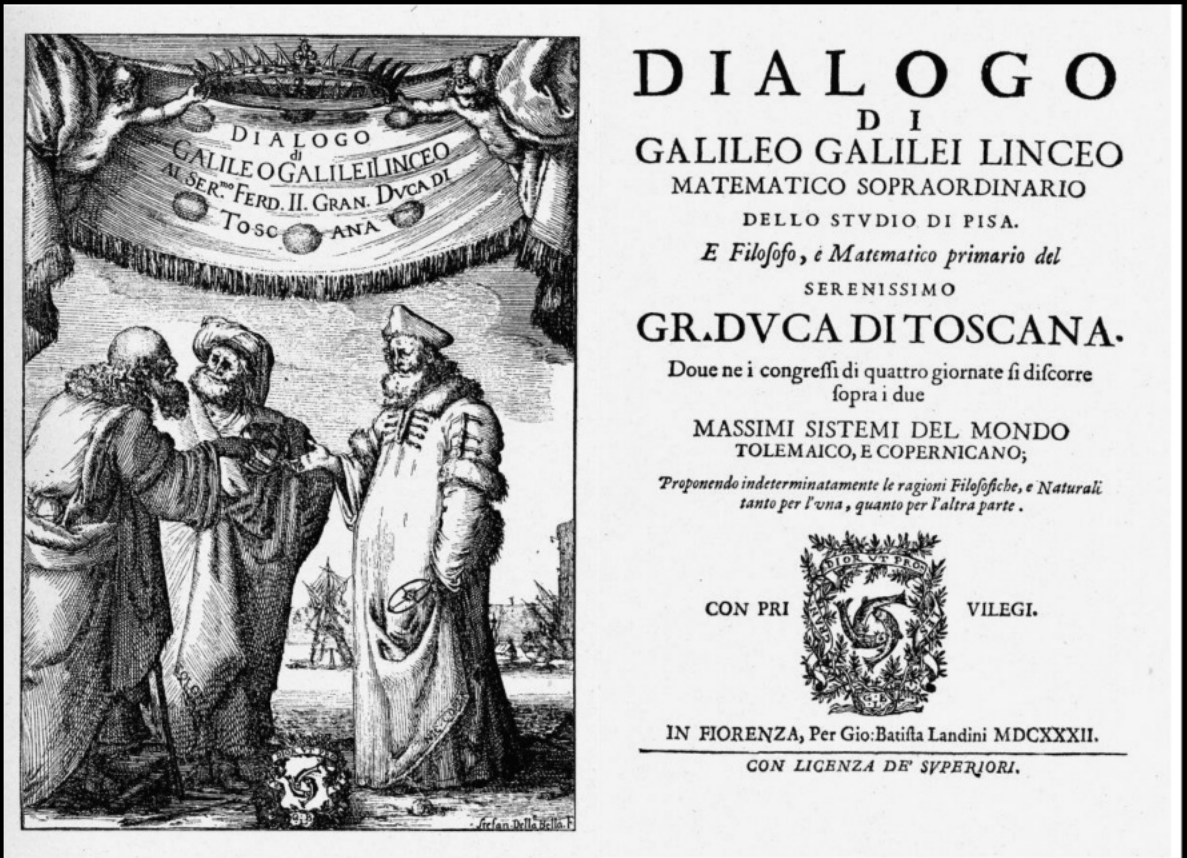


LYNX: THE NEXT GREAT OBSERVATORY



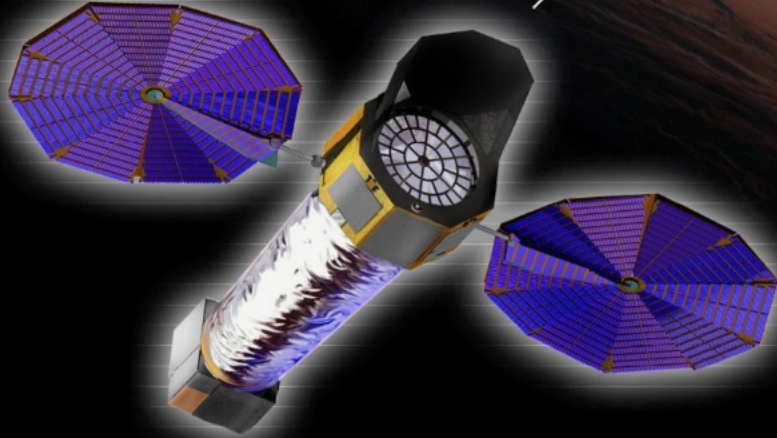
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A symbol of great insight in many cultures - with the ability to see through solid objects to reveal the true nature of things.



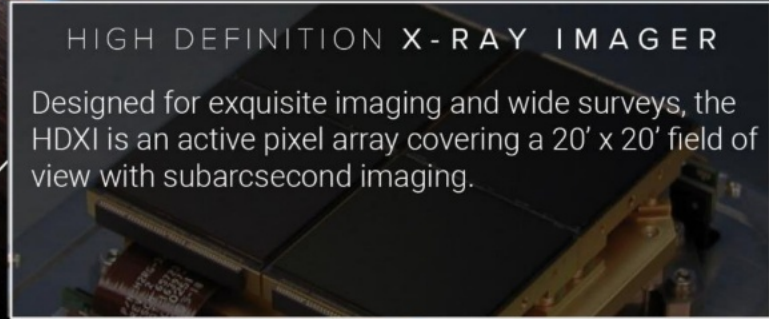
A NEW GREAT OBSERVATORY

X-RAY MIRROR ASSEMBLY
0.5" Point-Spread Function,
stable over a 20 arcminute FoV



HIGH DEFINITION X-RAY IMAGER

Designed for exquisite imaging and wide surveys, the HDXI is an active pixel array covering a 20' x 20' field of view with subarcsecond imaging.



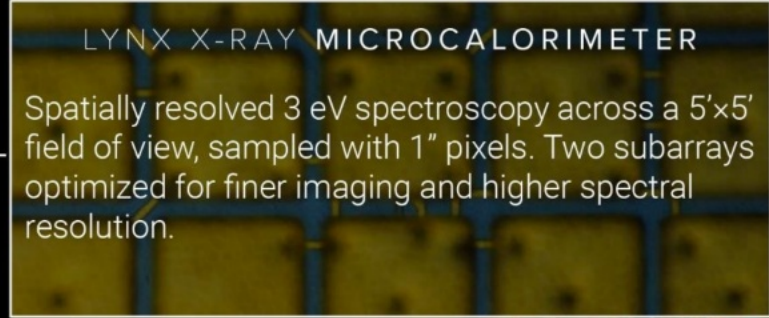
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X-RAY GRATINGS SPECTROMETER

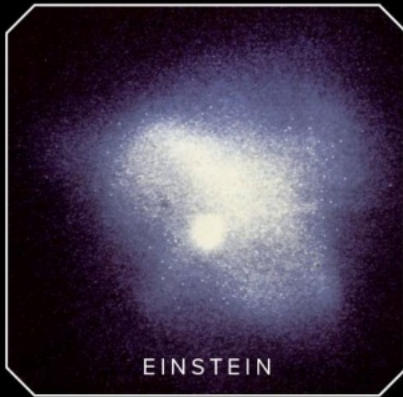
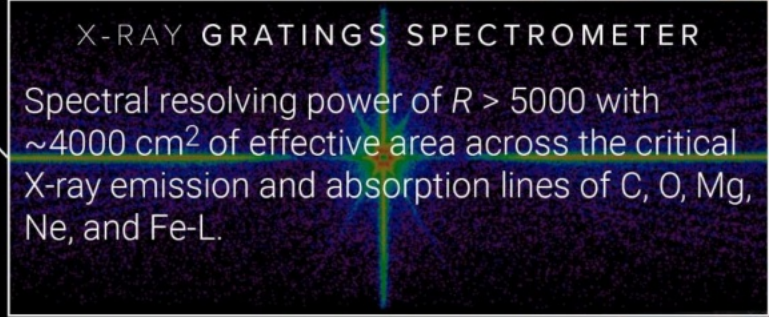
LYNX X-RAY MICROCALORIMETER

Spatially resolved 3 eV spectroscopy across a 5'x5' field of view, sampled with 1" pixels. Two subarrays optimized for finer imaging and higher spectral resolution.



X-RAY GRATINGS SPECTROMETER

Spectral resolving power of $R > 5000$ with $\sim 4000 \text{ cm}^2$ of effective area across the critical X-ray emission and absorption lines of C, O, Mg, Ne, and Fe-L.



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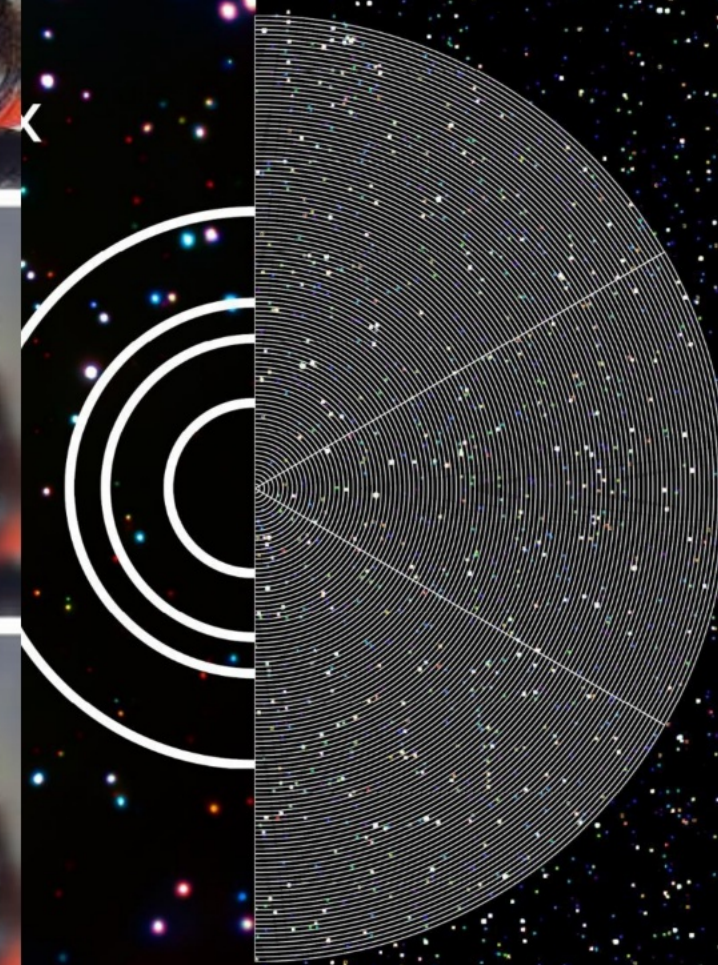
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Chandra



“Other” X-ray Telescopes



50x higher throughput while maintaining *Chandra's* angular resolution.

Like going from your 8” backyard telescope to a 10-m Keck.

What takes Chandra 8 weeks, Lynx can do in ~1 day for deep surveys.



THE SCIENCE

Lynx is designed to pursue three science pillars.

There are ample resources for many other programs, including those unexpected today.

It will be a discovery platform for all.

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DAWN OF BLACK HOLES



DRIVERS OF
GALAXY EVOLUTION



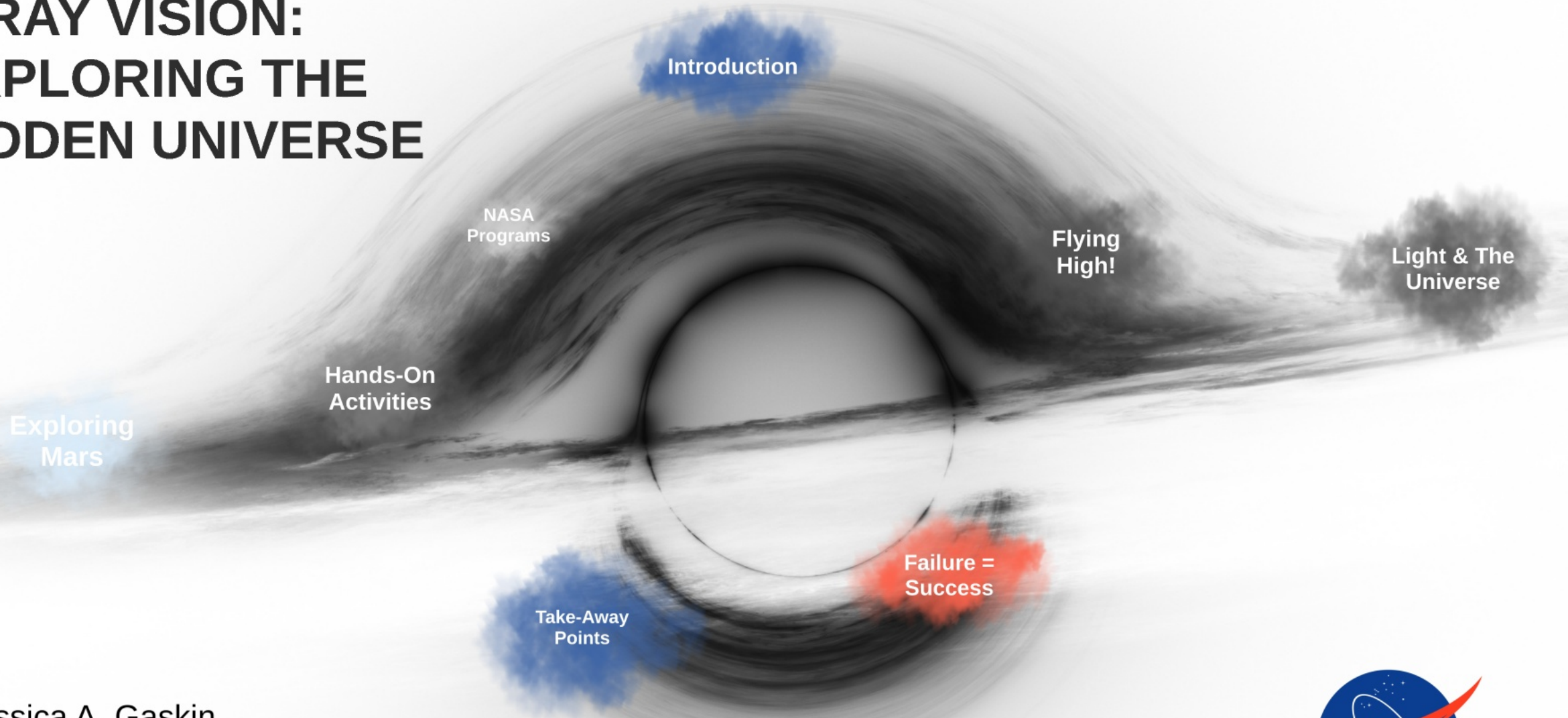
THE ENERGETIC SIDE OF
STELLAR EVOLUTION

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**Failure is an inevitable part
of the job**

Failure = Success

My Failures

Other Failures

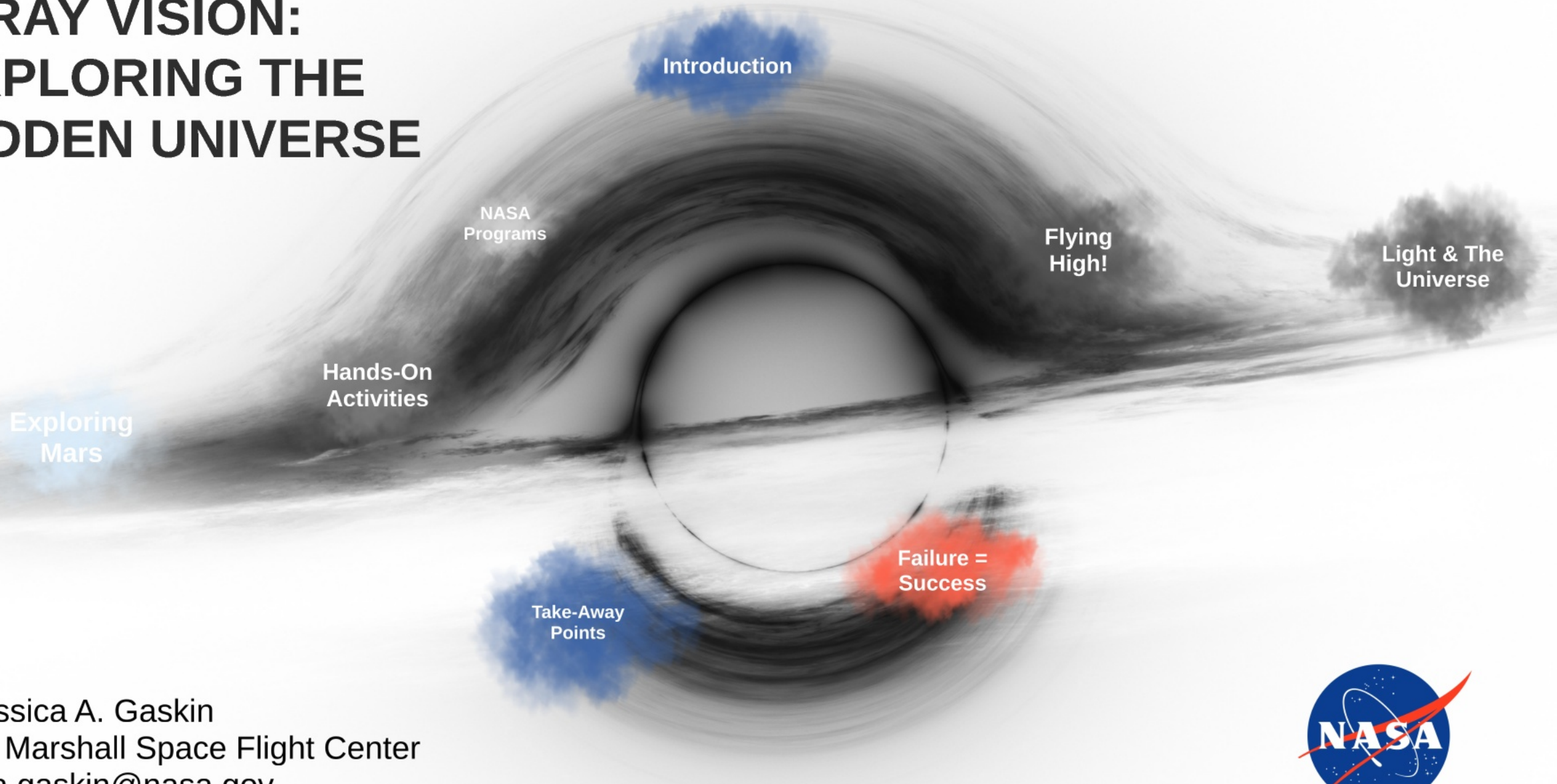
Top 3 Failures

1. Melted a priceless detector
2. Imploded a vacuum chamber
3. Crashed a balloon payload





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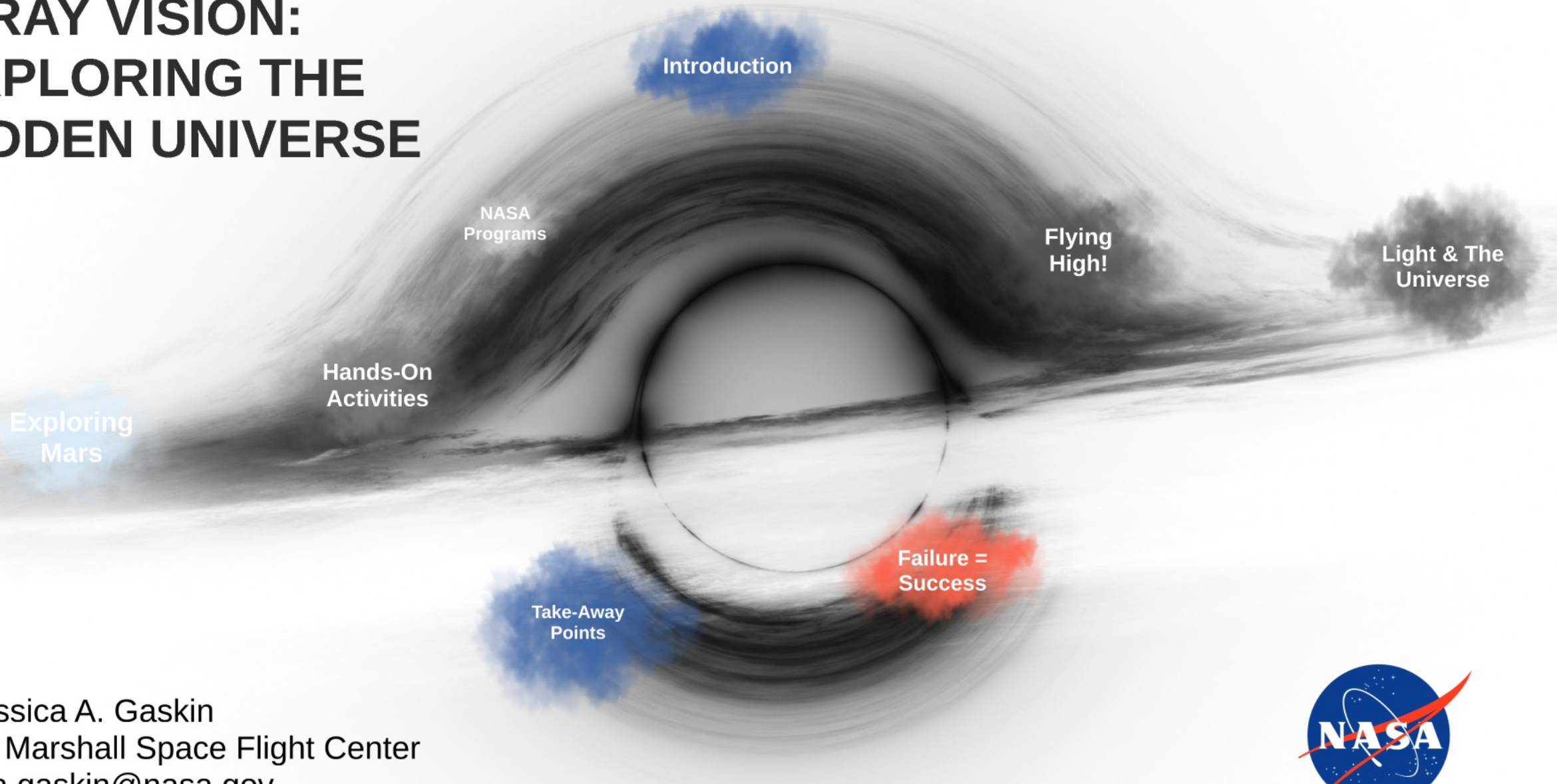
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Top 5 Take Away Points

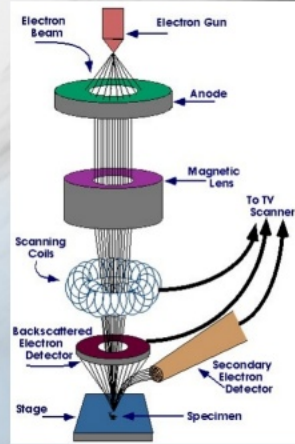
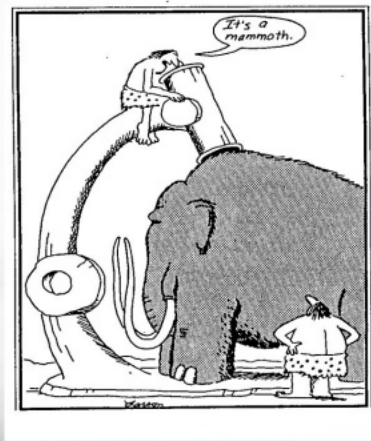
- Developing instrumentation for science requires understanding the physics that drives the science.
- Developing instrumentation requires a fundamental understanding of physics that drives the function of the instrument.
- Instrumentation translates across science disciplines and platforms.
- Innovation is not just developing something new, but using an existing instrument in a different way.
- Failure is part of the development / learning process and should be embraced. Don't be afraid to take risks!

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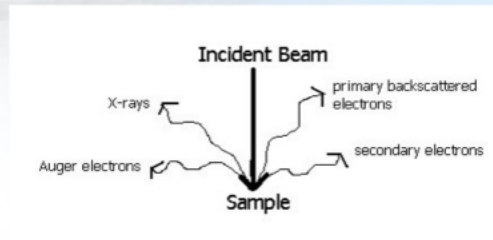




VP-SEM
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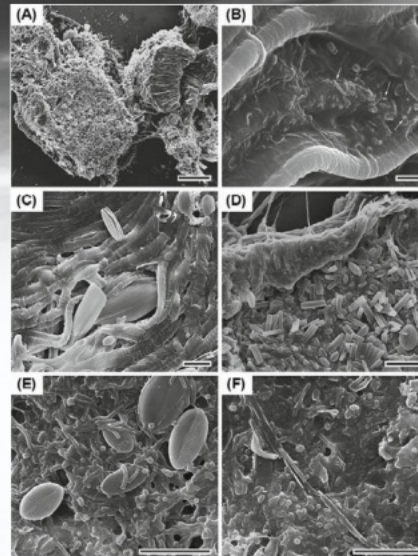
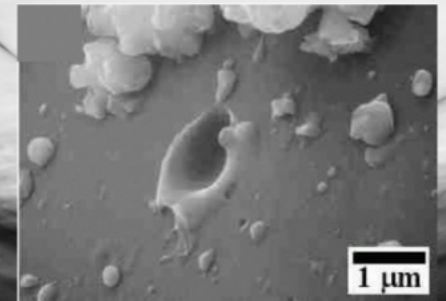
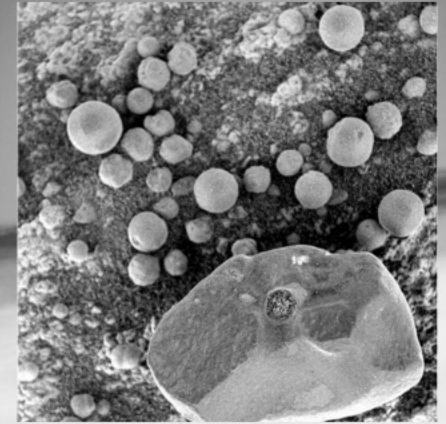
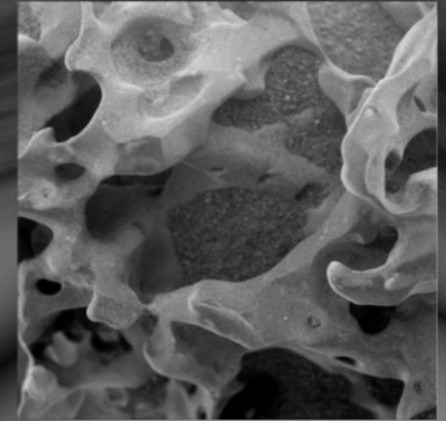
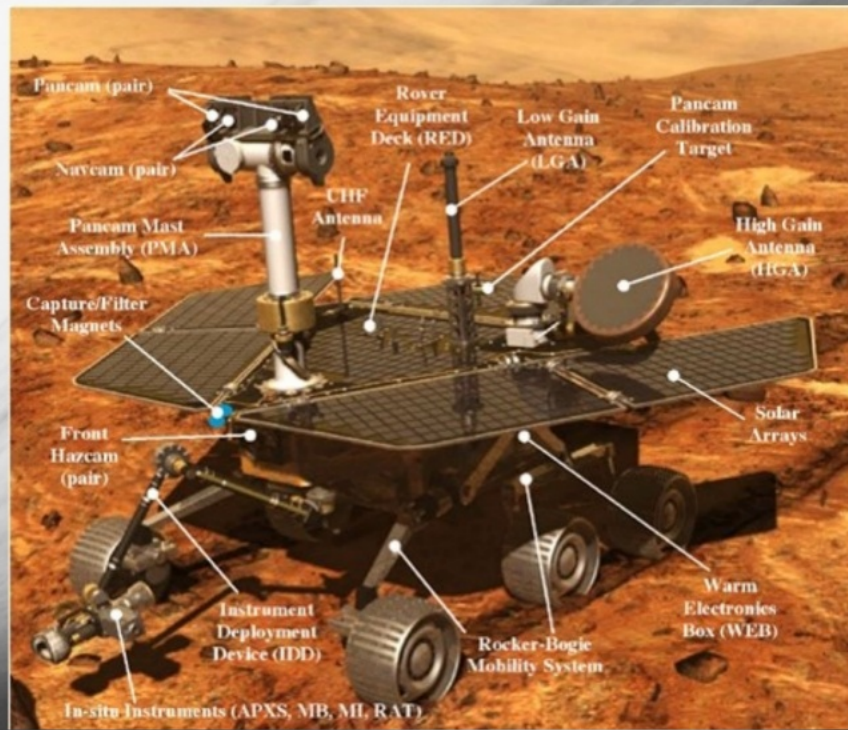
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VP-SEM on Mars




Sorokovikova et al., Journal of Microbiology 51(6):757-65, 2013
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MVP-SEM Development

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Standard Bottle of Bordeaux



7.6 cm

25.4 cm

Electron Gun, COTS HV Feedthroughs

Flanges (2-3/4 CF) For Vacuum Pumps

Electron Focusing Optics, COTS Pressure gauges and Feedthroughs

Sample Rod & Actuation

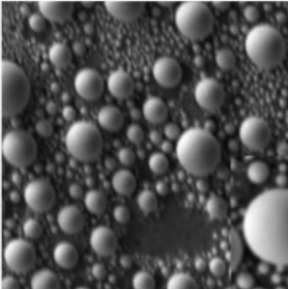
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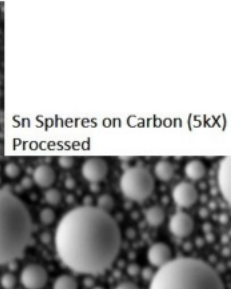
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Sample Chamber, Custom sample rod, COTS flanges for vacuum pumps

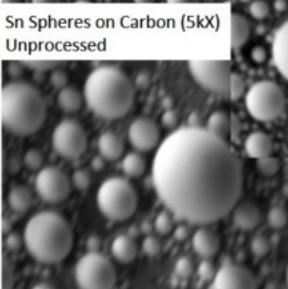
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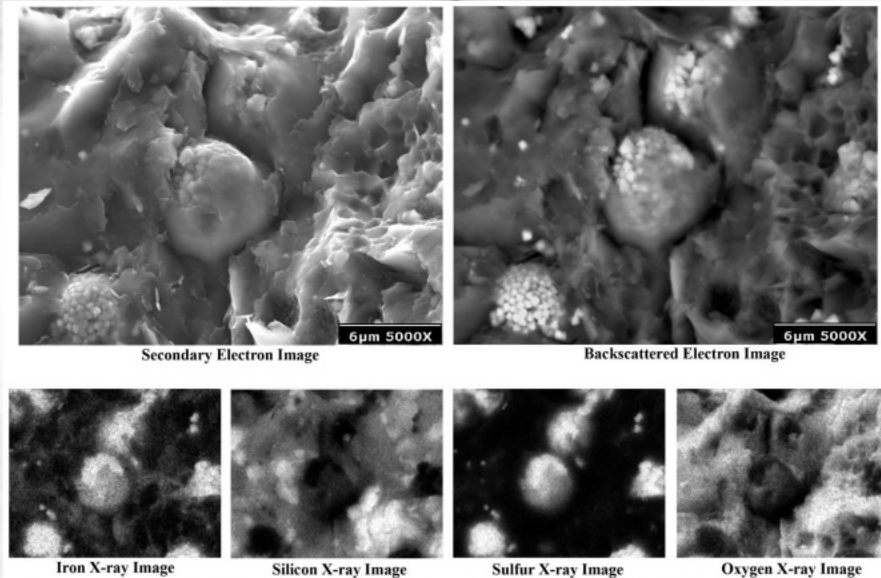
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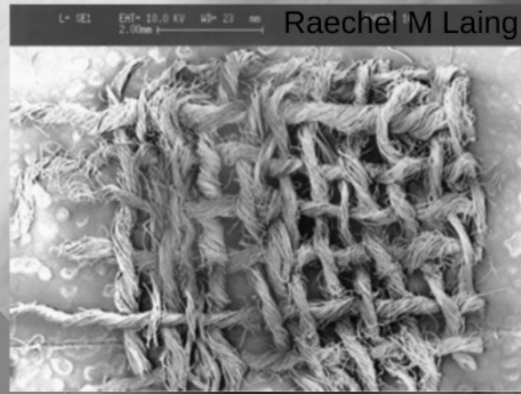
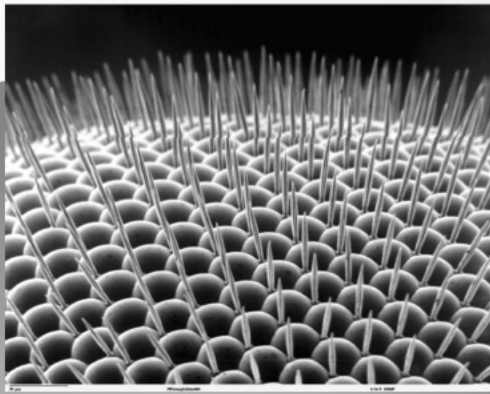


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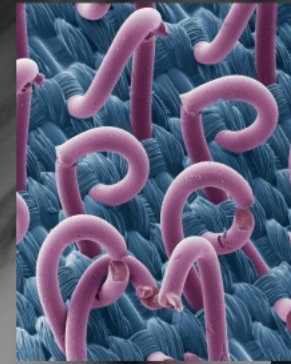


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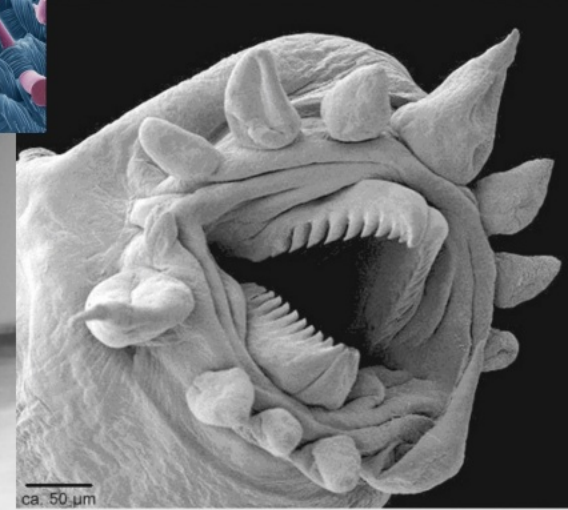




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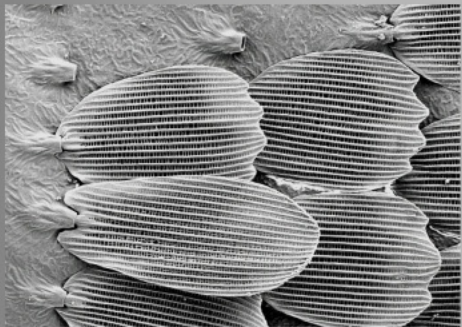


Lice olympics (pole vault). Head louse on two human hair.

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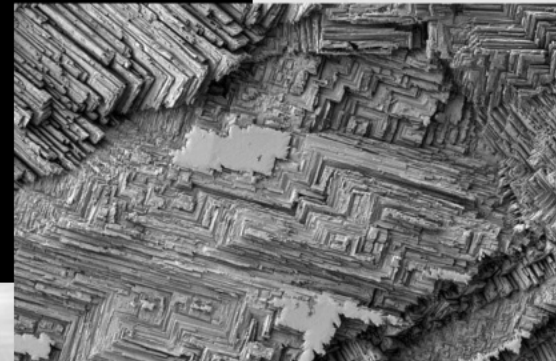
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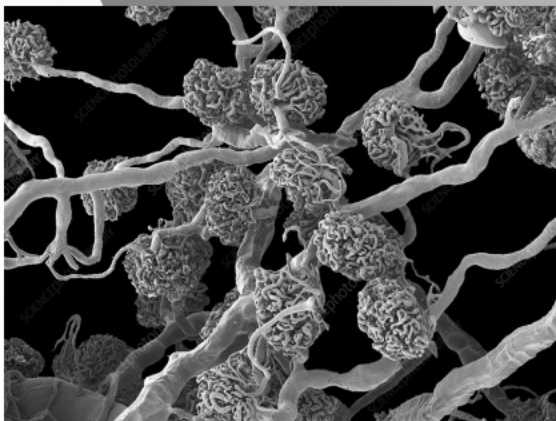


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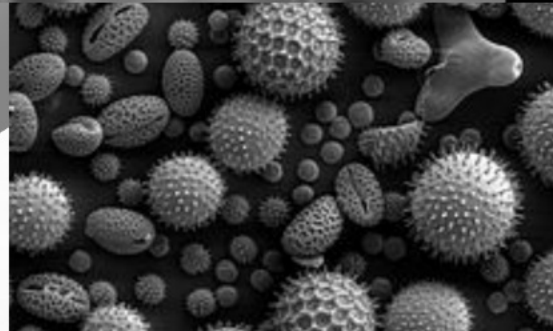
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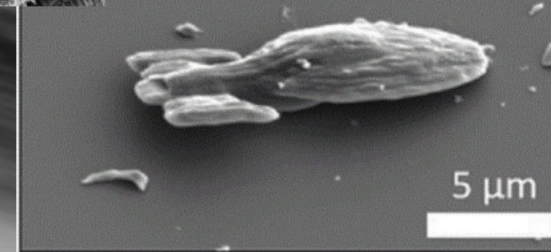
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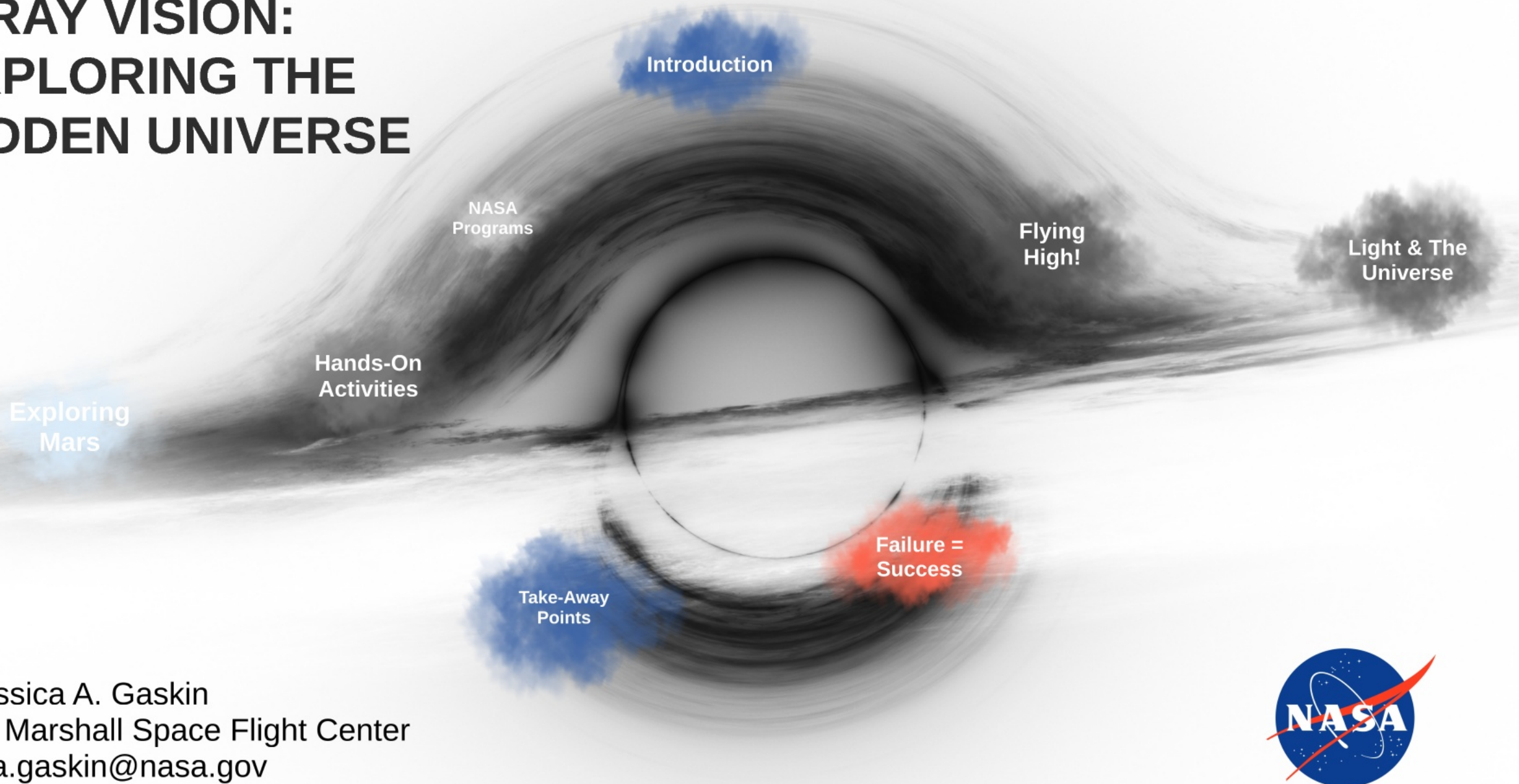
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Pathways Internship Program prepares you for a career at NASA and offers a direct pipeline to full-time employment at NASA upon graduation.

NASA Internships:

NASA's Office of STEM Engagement (OSTEM) paid internships allow high school and college-level students to contribute to the agency's mission to advance science, technology, aeronautics, and space exploration.

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2023 PI Launchpad Workshop

The PI Launchpad 2023 was held in July at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Recordings and documents can be found at the links below. Future Launchpad workshops will be held, please check back for updates.

Previous PI Launchpad Content

Two PI Launchpad workshops have been held, in 2019 and in 2021. As a public service, we have posted all of the content developed for the PI Launchpad here, in the links below. In addition to the workbook used by participants throughout the workshop, we have posted videos and PDFs for all panels and presentations.

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Science Traceability

Abstract: Any comprehensive science mission proposal must first be clearly defined, not only in terms of the goals of the mission and how to get there, but also in terms of the science and data to be returned. This can be accomplished through use of a Science Traceability Matrix, a tool that links the science and data to the mission goals and the instruments and systems that will be used to collect and return the data. This document provides a template for creating a Science Traceability Matrix, and includes a list of questions to ask of mission goals and instruments to ensure that the mission goals and instruments are traceable to the science and data to be returned.

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Science Traceability

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Abstract—Any comprehensive science mission^{1,2} proposal must be able to simply explain why it is important to accomplish the goals of the mission and how it will be implemented. This can be accomplished through use of a Science traceability matrix, a construct that is becoming a required component of all NASA science mission proposals. The Science Traceability Matrix (STM) provides the overview of what a Mission will accomplish relative to high-level objectives suggested through Academy of science surveys, NASA Roadmaps, or Program Objectives. It provides a logical flow from these high level objectives through mission objectives, science objectives, measurement objectives, measurement requirements, instrument requirements and spacecraft and system requirements to data products and eventual publications. It is the one document that shows the relationship between all these key elements and the one document that provides the breadth needed to perform and document high level trades effecting science outcome and overall design.

The increasing detail in the requirements flow down represent results of considering underlying key parameters. Some of the key parameters considered during requirements definition include: observation importance, ability to make a given measurement, constraints on all systems, number of measurements needed to complete an observation objective, complexity of required measurements, probability for success, measurement fidelity, data quality, community involvement, publishable findings, questions addressed. Parameters underlying instrument definition include: data requirements, pointing constraints, stability requirements, mounting constraints, thermal constraints, power constraints, mass, and volume.

The STM can be used as a gauge to determine the completeness of the definition of a proposed mission. If the matrix flows effortlessly from high level objective to publishable science result then it has been carefully laid out. If the logic that ties one aspect to another is not clear then there is more work to be done prior to any proposal preparation.

The science matrix provides a basis for negotiating lower level requirements (typically tracked with tools such as

Telelogic's DOORS® requirements tracking tool) and evaluating affects of the results of those negotiations on the ability to achieve objectives originating at higher levels. It also provides a succinct snapshot of those high level objectives – particularly important for high-level goals since there is often no objective algorithm to quantify the relative merits of the conflicting high-level goals. For this case, the matrix provides a convenient notation for assessing and arbitrating the impact on equal-valued objects caused by changes in available mission resources.

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