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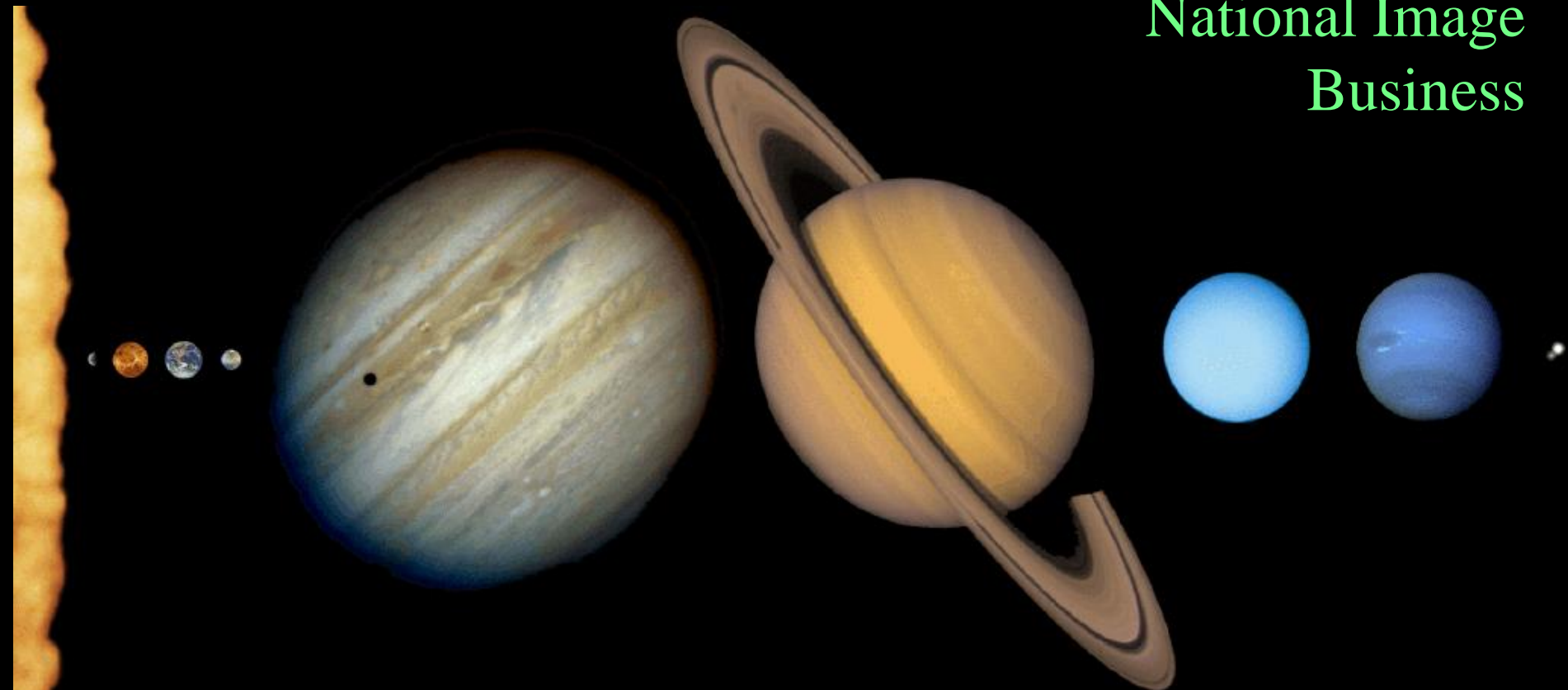
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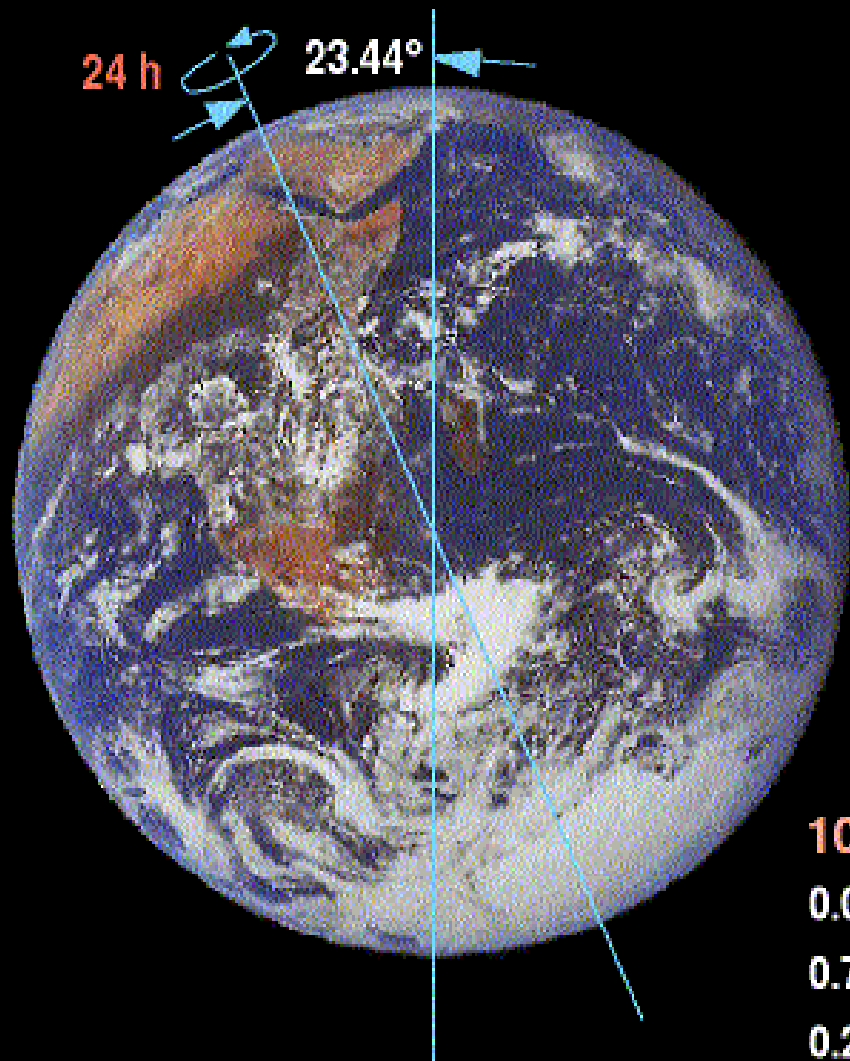
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## YEAR

365 Days    686 Days  
(667 Sols)

## GRAVITY

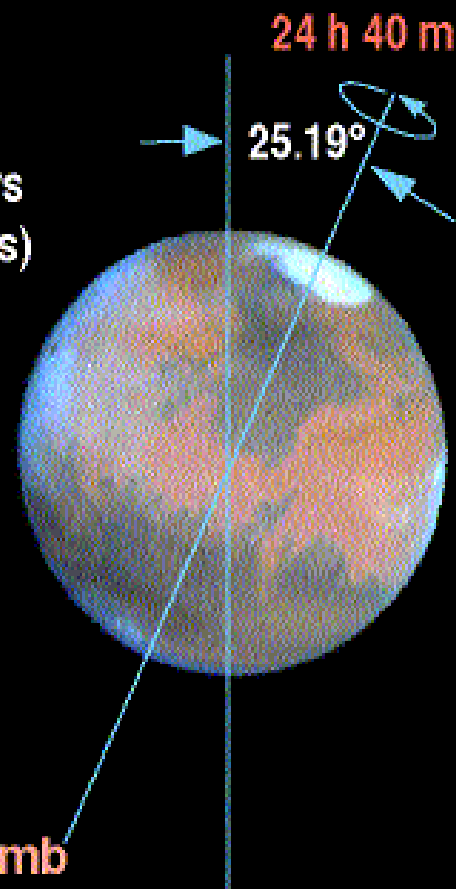
38% of earth

## SUNLIGHT

44% of earth

## ATMOSPHERE

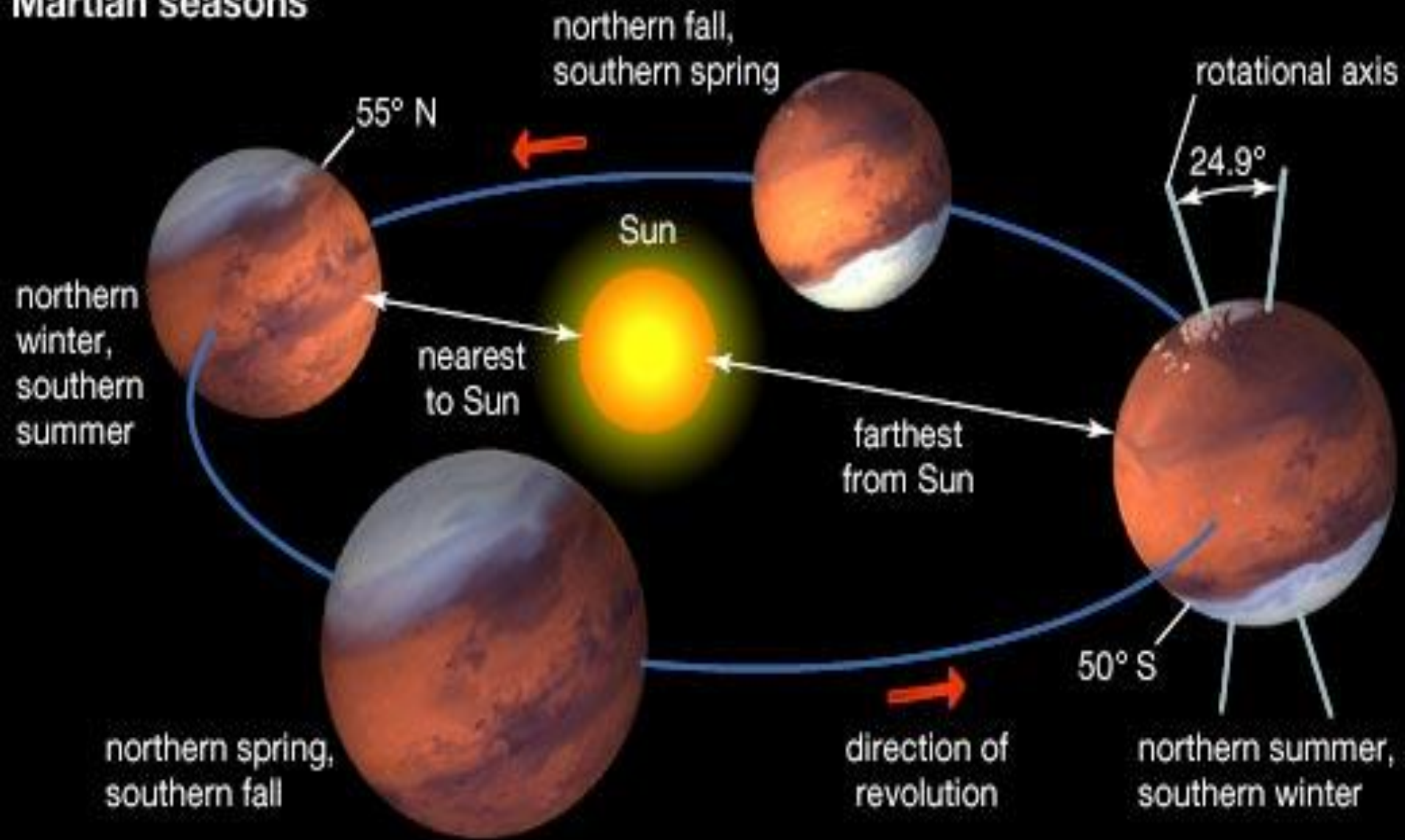
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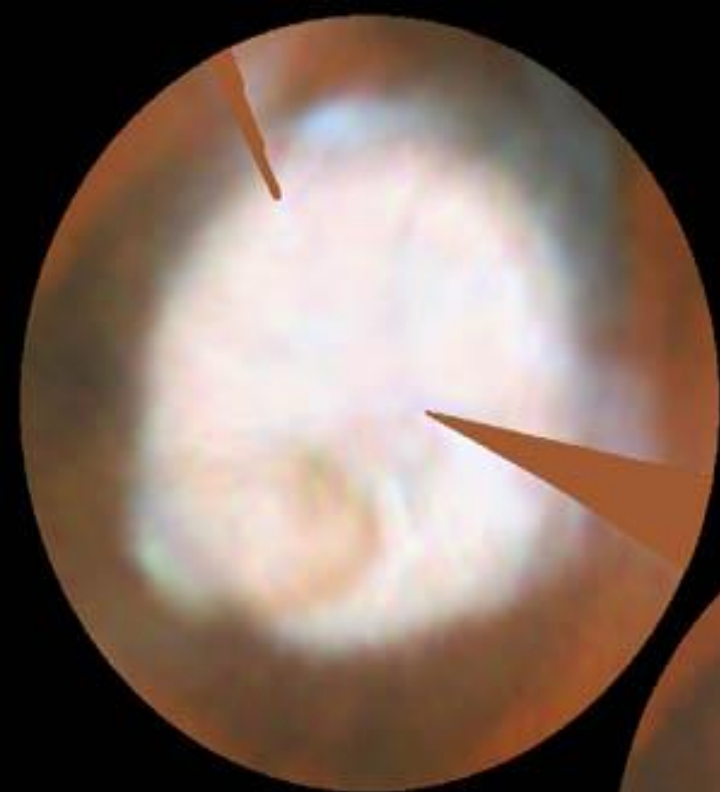


Mars, courtesy  
P. James and NASA

# Martian Orbit and Insolation

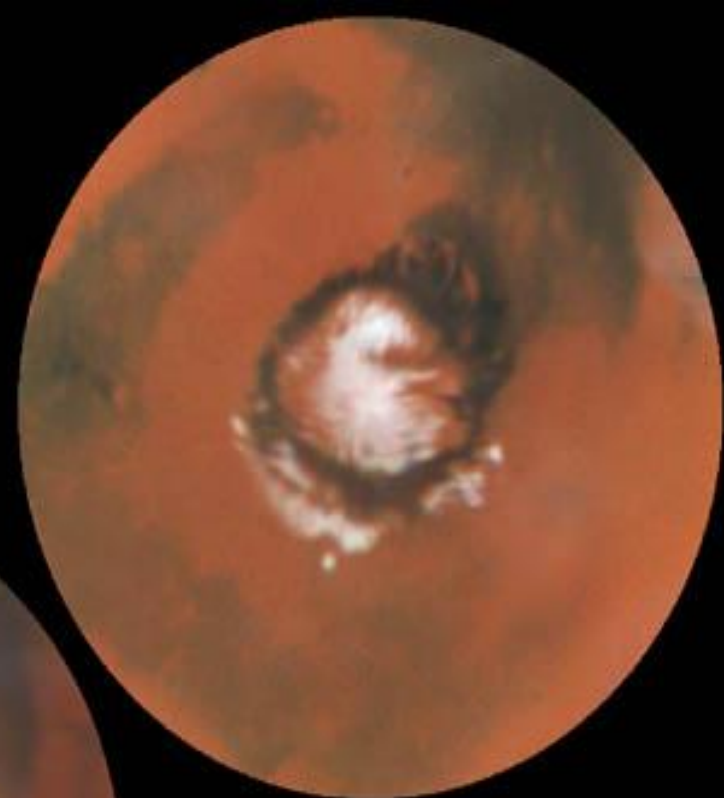
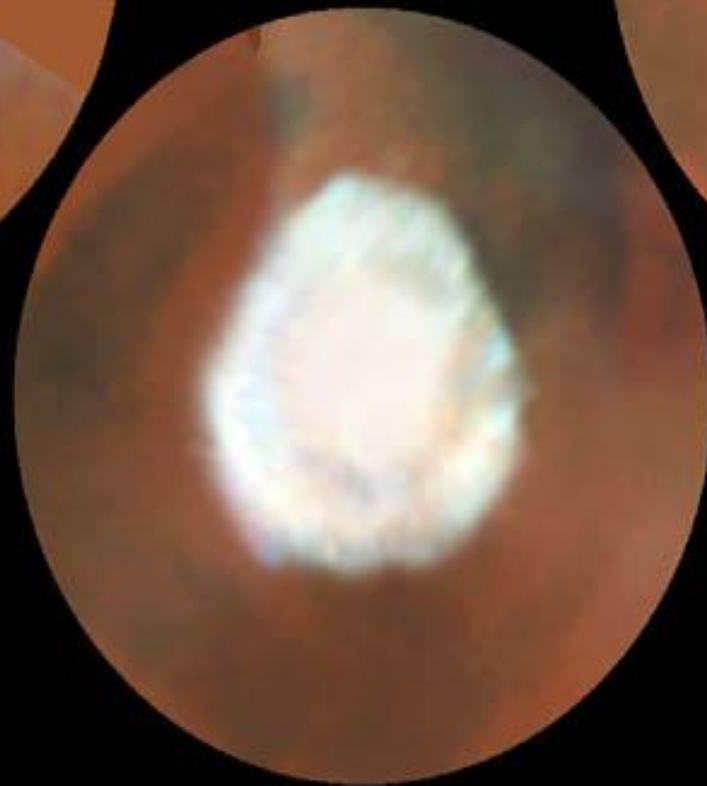
## Martian seasons





October 1996

January 1997



March 1997

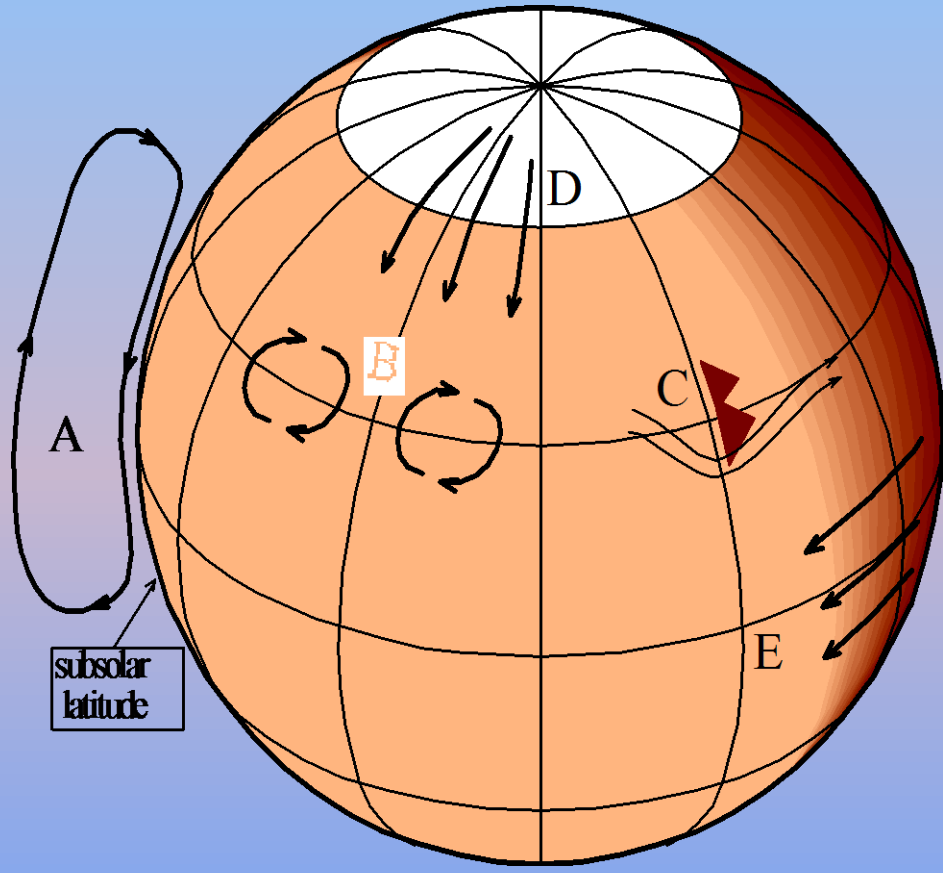
**Mars  
North Polar Cap**

HST • WFPC2

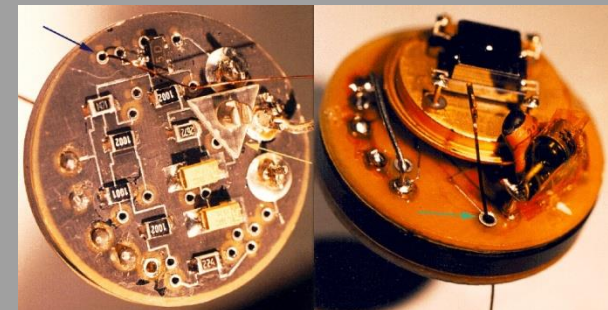
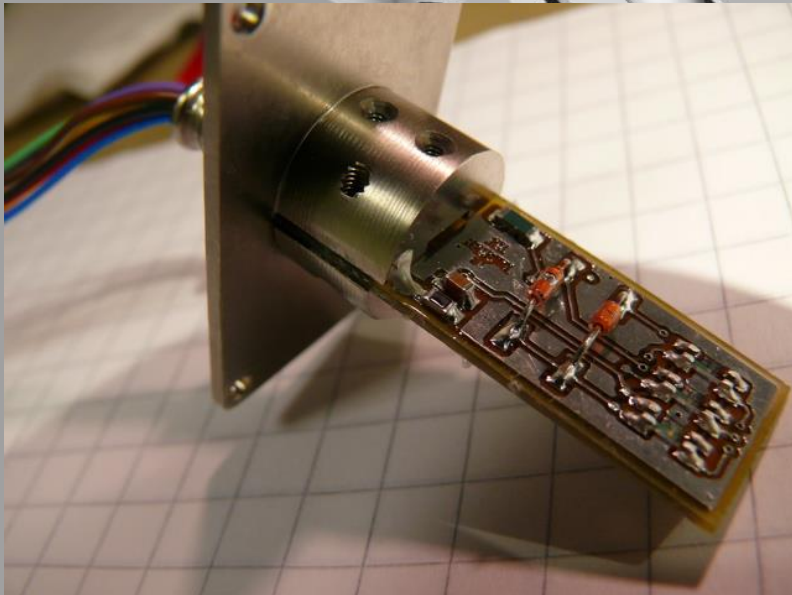
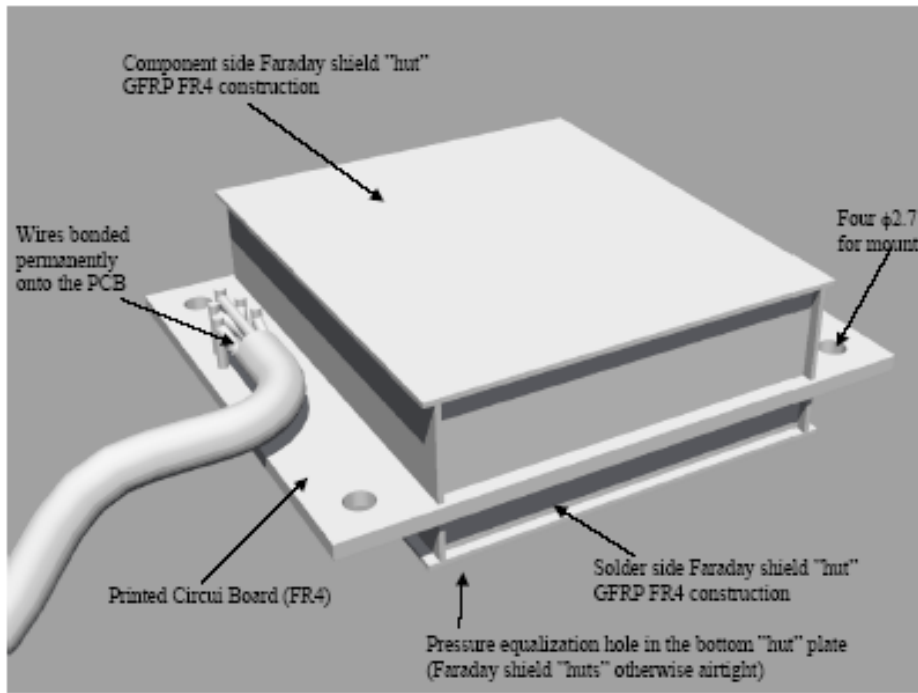
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P. James (Univ. Toledo), T. Clancy (Space Science Inst.), S. Lee (Univ. Colorado) and NASA

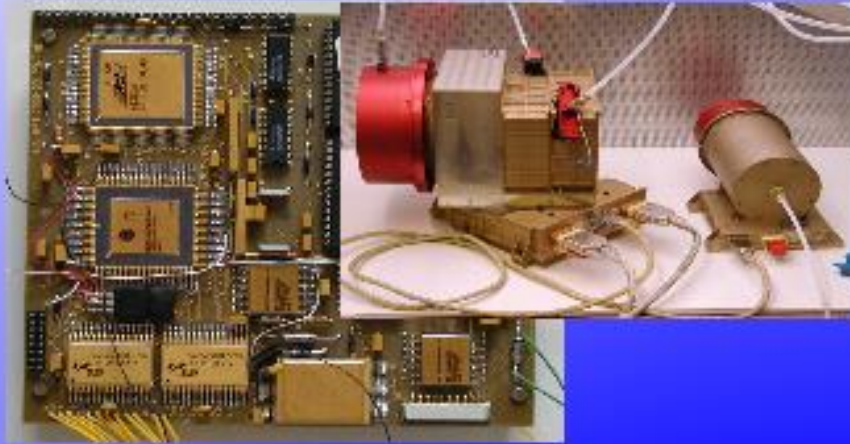
# Mars/Earth Atmospheric Motions



# MSL 2011 : DIGIBARO and DIGIHUM



# More than 40 flying instruments since 1985



ASPERA DPU Phobos-2

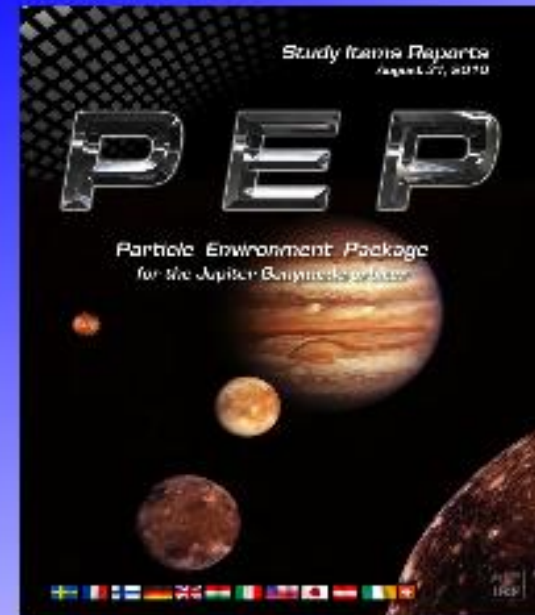
ASPERA-3 / ESA Mars Express

ASPERA-4 / ESA Venus Express

Plasma Monitor & DPU / ESA SMART 1

ROSETTA Lander: Permittivity Probe, DPU Memory

ROSETTA : Cosima DPU SW, ICA DPU, Langmuir probe





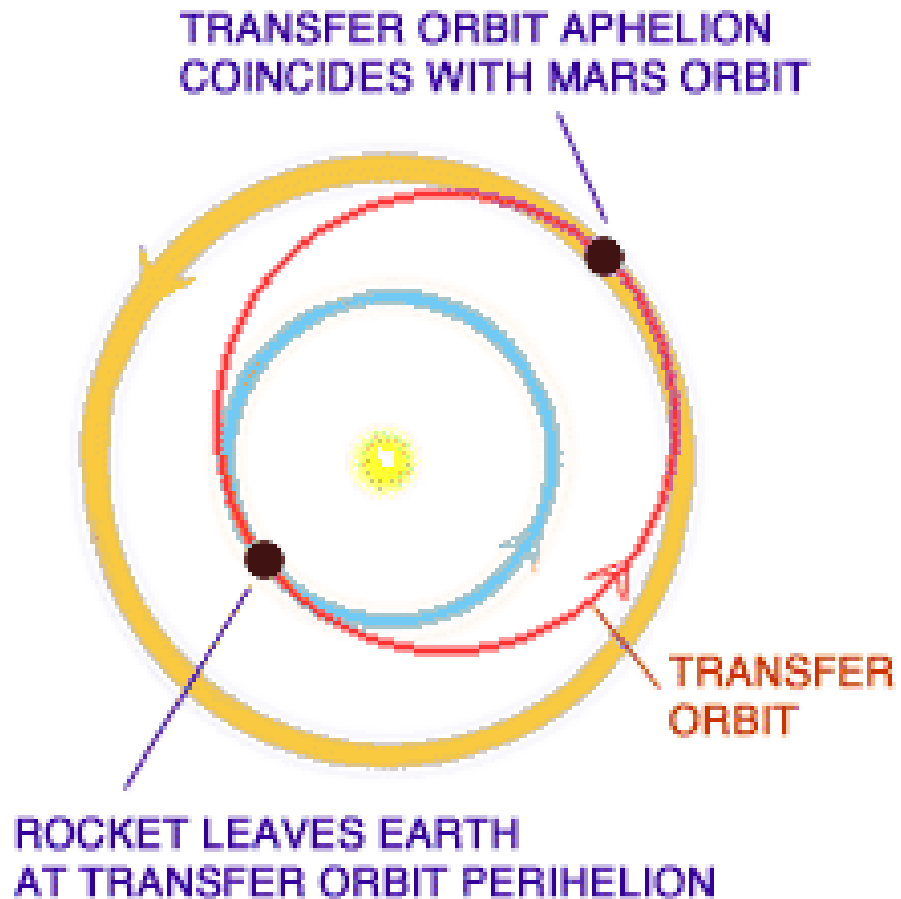


# MISSION EARTH to MARS: Hohman transfer orbit

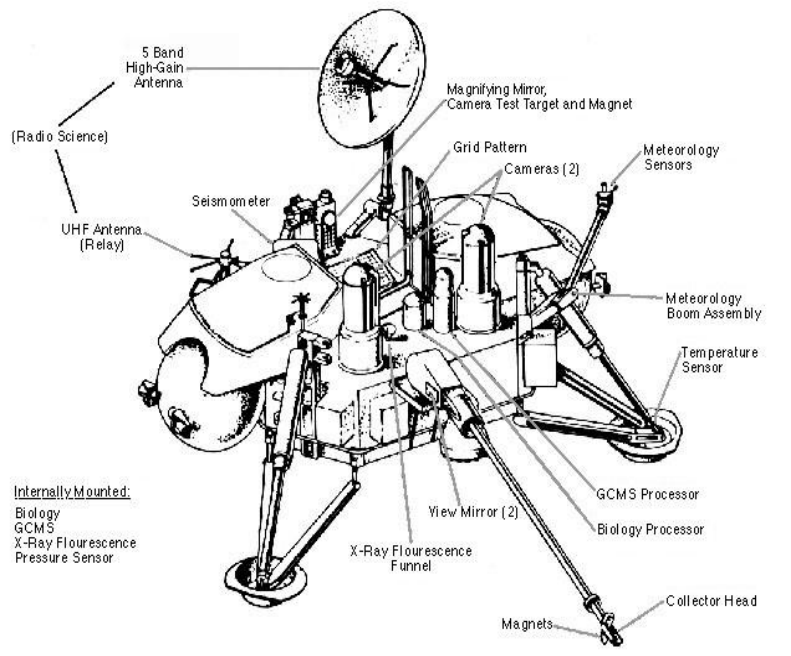
## Earth to Mars via Least Energy Orbit

### Orbit and Deployment

- Hohman transfer
- Deployment from the orbit around Mars
- Deployment before insertion to Martian orbit saves fuel



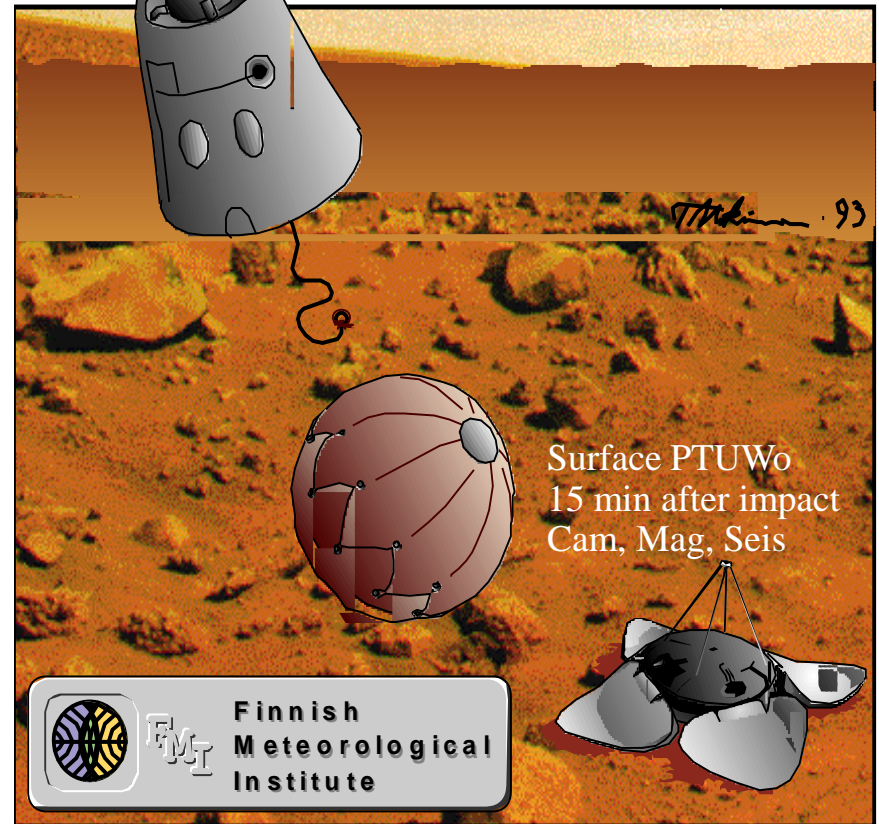
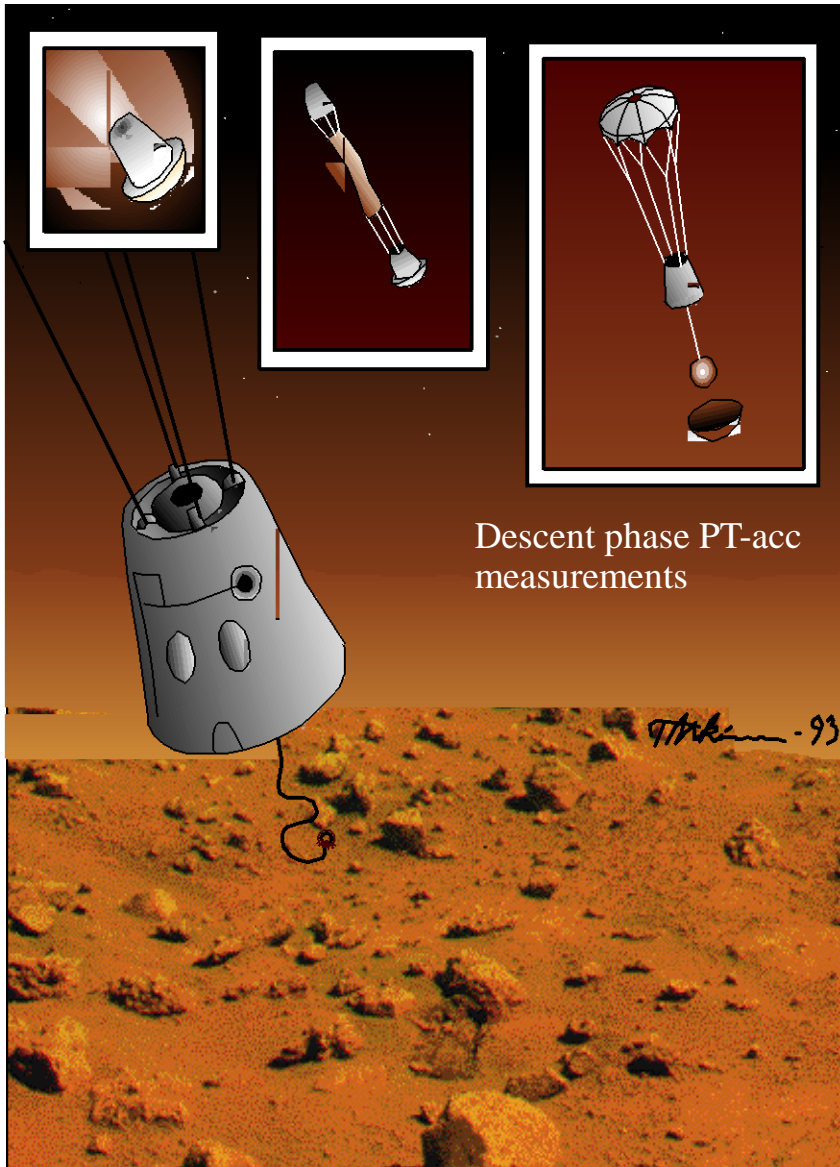
# Viking Landed Science Configuration



# Viking Lander



# MARS-96 Mission: Small Stations





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# NASA's Mars Exploration Program

## Launch Year

2000 to Present

2011

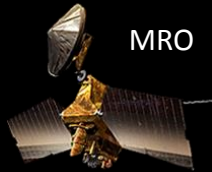
2013

2016 and Beyond

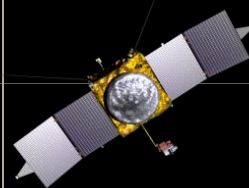
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Odyssey



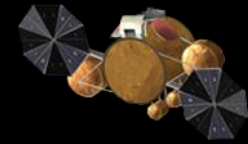
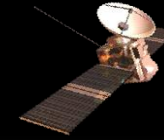
MRO



MAVEN



Mars Express  
(ESA)



Recent missions have discovered that Mars' surface reveals a diverse and dynamic history, including evidence for sustained interactions with liquid water.

By studying a potentially habitable, ancient environment, MSL is a bridge to future missions that focus on life detection or returning samples.



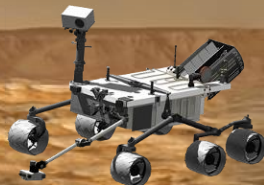
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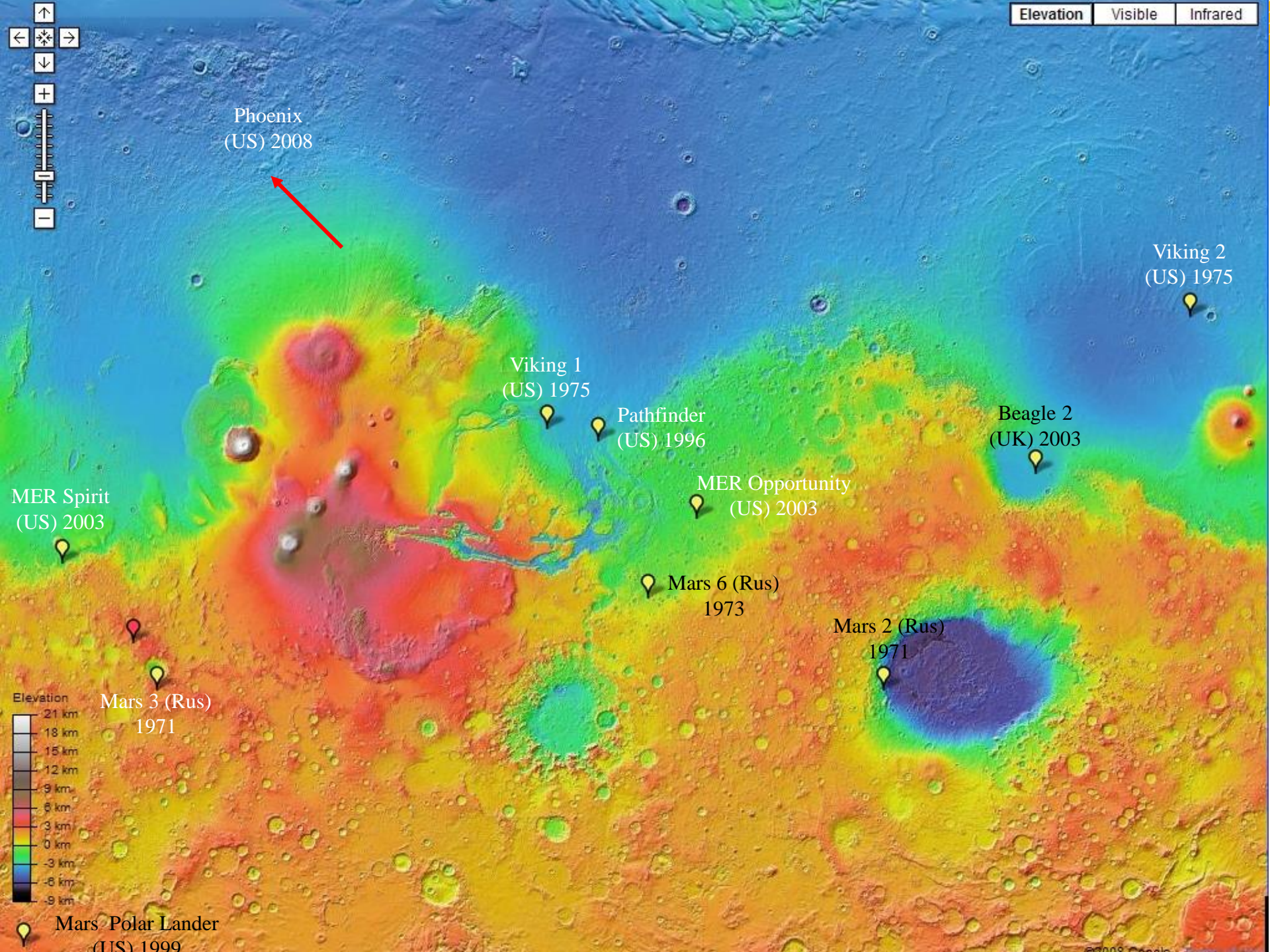


Phoenix



Mars Science Lab





Phoenix  
(US) 2008



Viking 2  
(US) 1975

Viking 1  
(US) 1975

Pathfinder  
(US) 1996

Beagle 2  
(UK) 2003

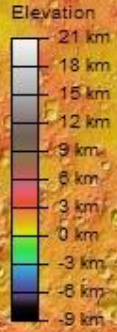
MER Spirit  
(US) 2003

MER Opportunity  
(US) 2003

Mars 6 (Rus)  
1973

Mars 2 (Rus)  
1971

Mars 3 (Rus)  
1971



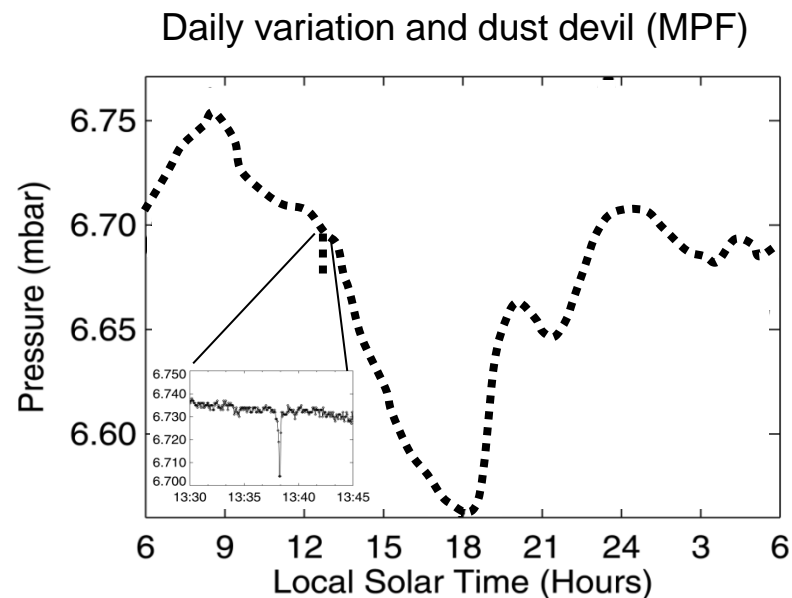
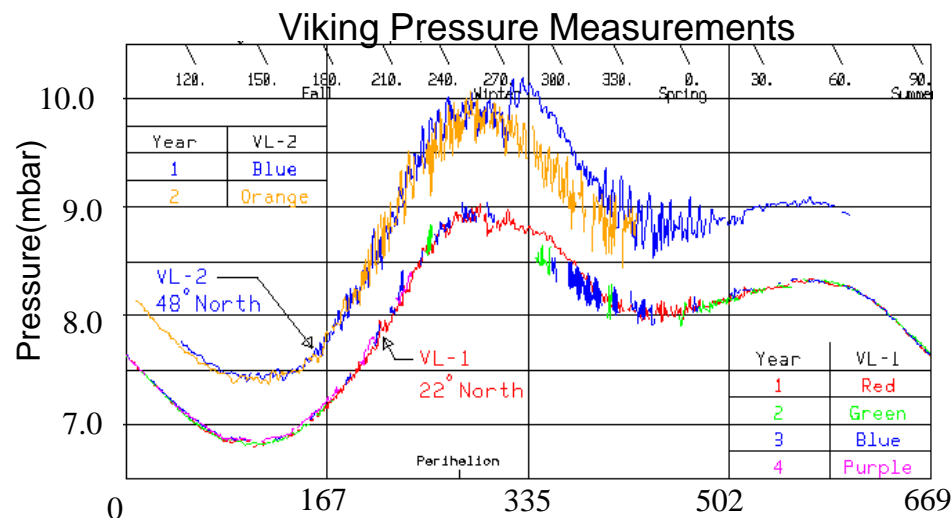
Mars Polar Lander  
(US) 1999



# Surface Pressure

**Surface pressure varies on a variety of time scales:**

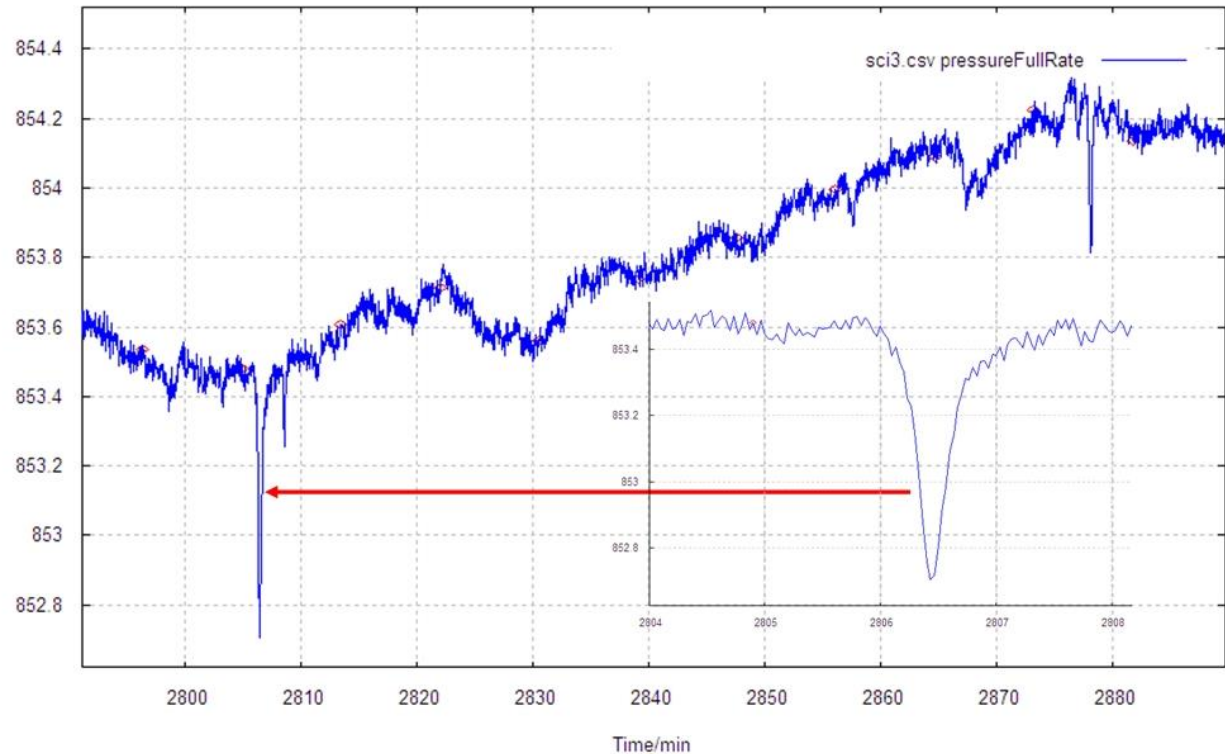
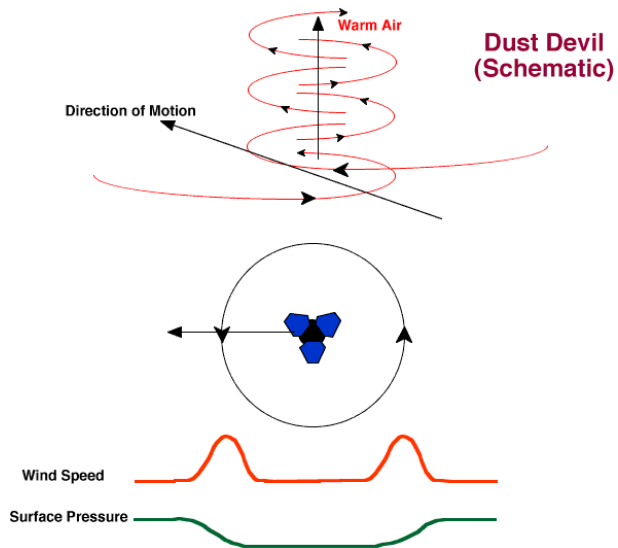
- The annual CO<sub>2</sub> condensation cycle produces global-scale >25% variations in surface pressure
- Episodic large scale dust storms produce >5% pressure changes
- Weather fronts produce pressure variations on time scales that vary from hours to weeks
- Thermal tides produce a few % variations over the diurnal cycle
- Dust devils produce changes on 10...60s time scales
- Kelvin waves, and other large-scale phenomena can be monitored with high-resolution pressure data





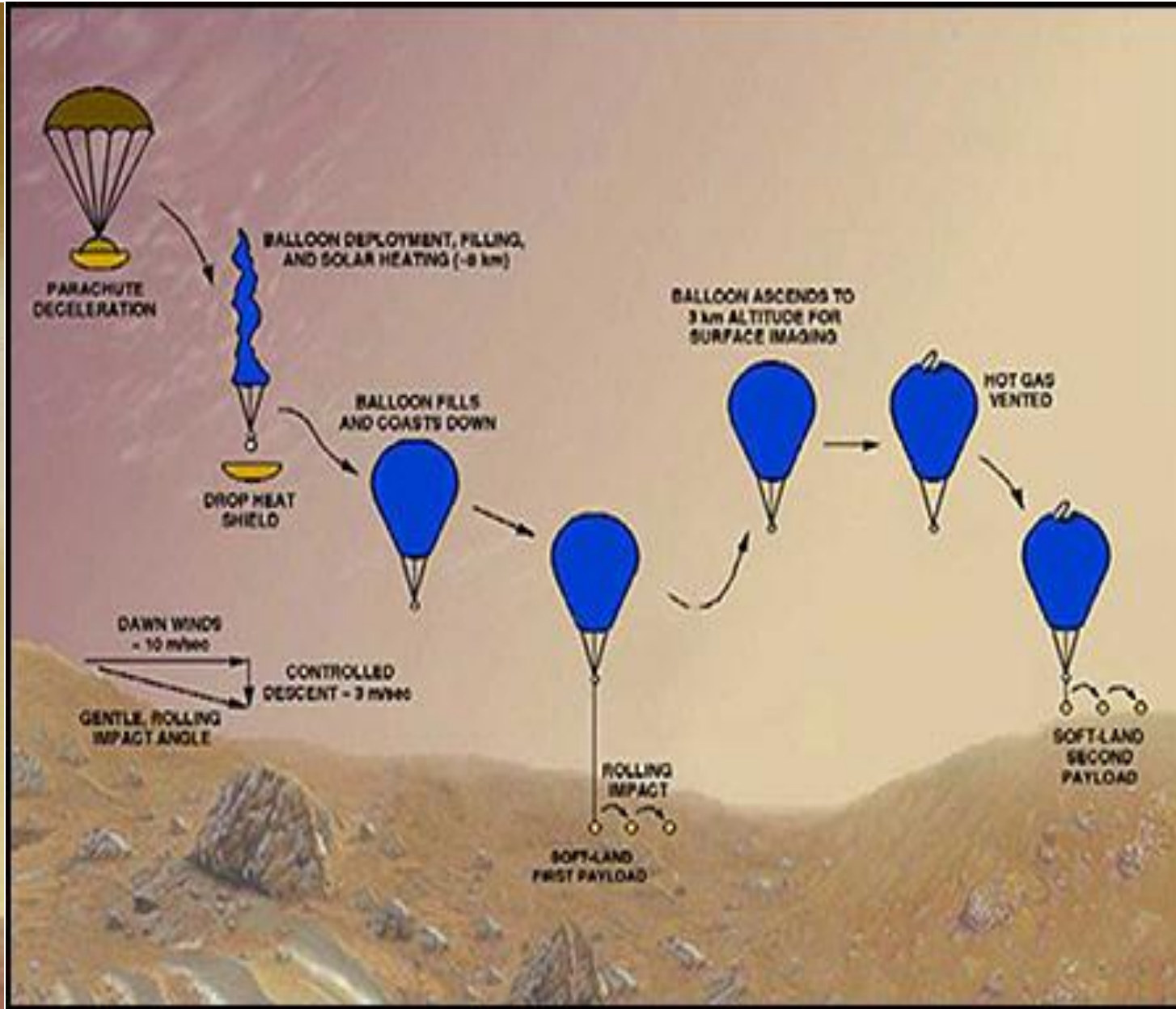
# Dust Devils at Mars

- ❑ A Martian dust devil recorded by the Mars Phoenix lander
- ❑ Typical pressure drop between 1 to 5 Pa





# Balloons at Mars: Proposals





# MarsPlane



# CURIOSITY

## Mars

### Science

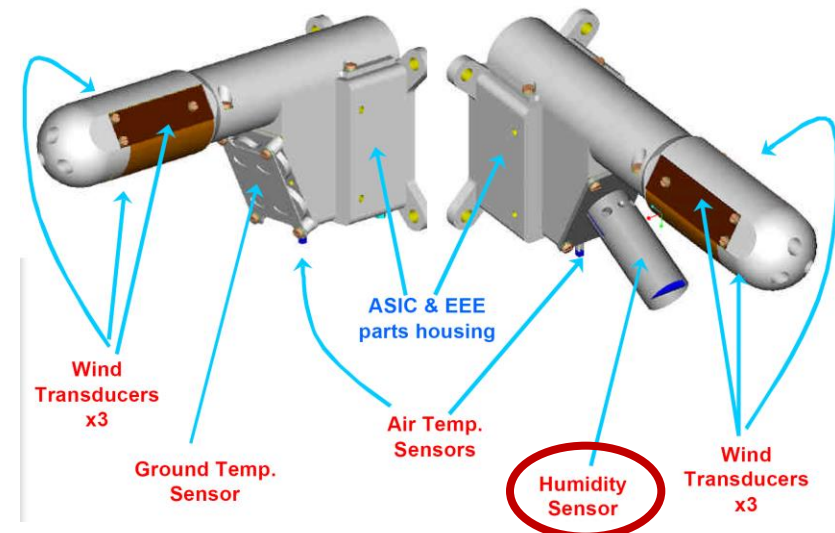
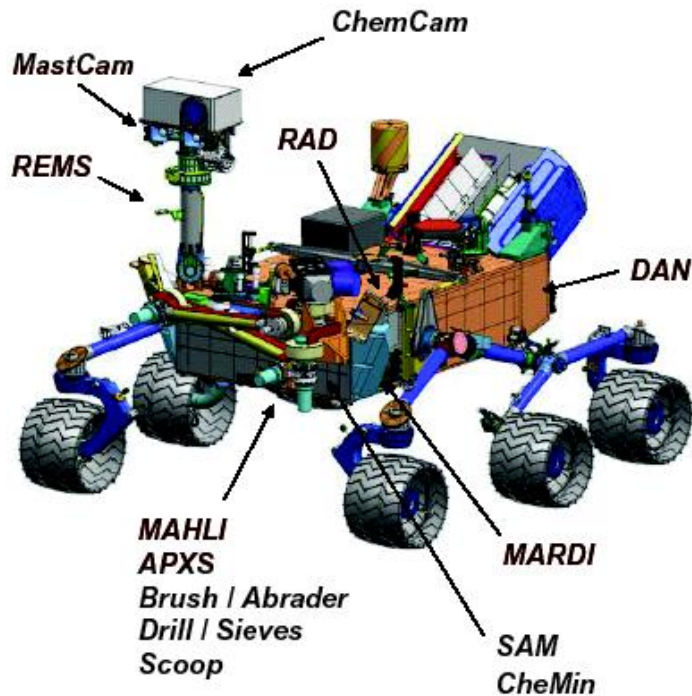
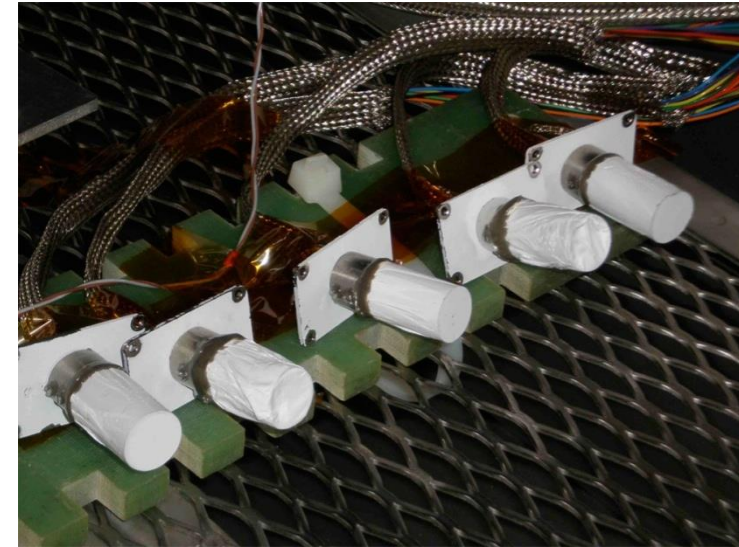
### Laboratory





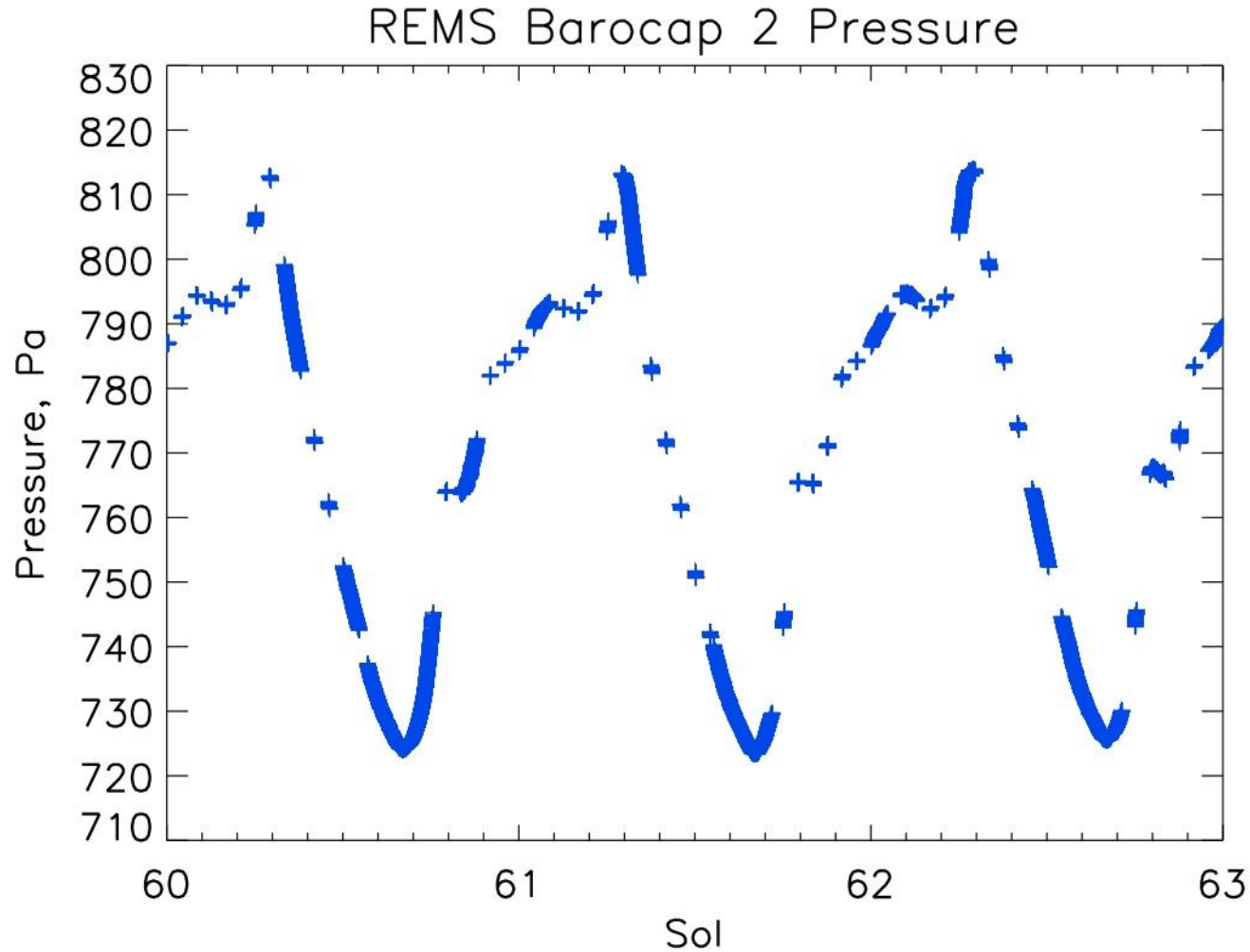
# REMS-H Humidity Instrument

REMS-H is located in Boom 2 of the Curiosity rover and therefore under large temperature oscillations. Validation technology tests carried out to assure no degradation along its operational life.





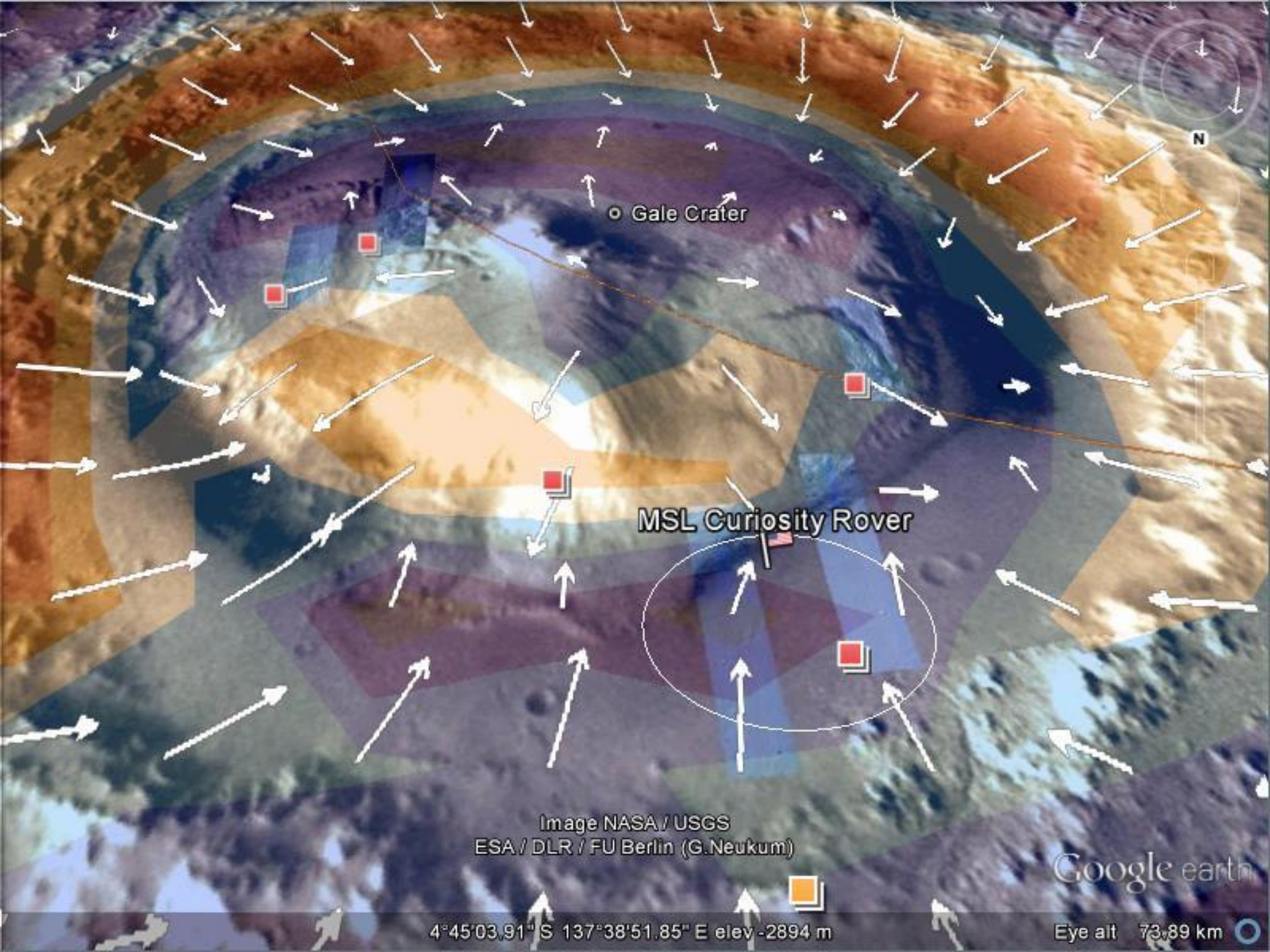
# B. Haberle: "The Heartbeat of the Climate System"



**Its Alive, Its Alive!!!**

# MARS LIMITED AREA MODEL (MLAM & 1D / 2D)

- **HIRLAM (5.0.0) transferred to Mars (UH & FMI)**
- **Hydrostatic primitive eqs (dry, rad. & surface schemes for Mars)**
- **Used successively to simulate several Mars missions (landing) weather**
- **MSL landind weather forecast 2012 :**
  - UKMGCM boundaries
  - MY 26
  - Last TES-assimilated GCM-data year
- **3 simulations, base and 2 nestings**
- **36 sols simulation, 30 after the landing**
- **Predicting quite calm landing weather**



Gale Crater

MSL Curiosity Rover

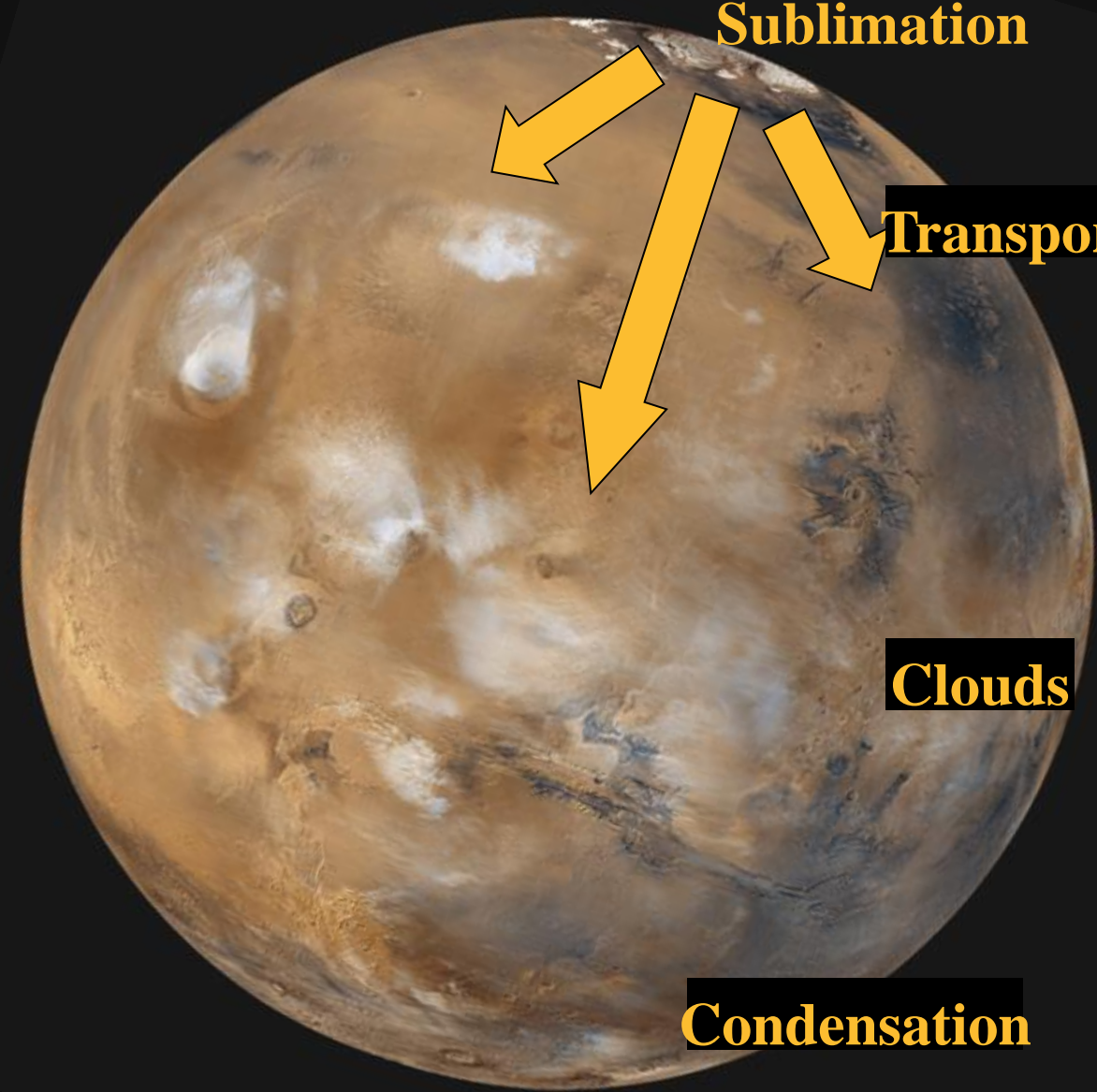
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ESA / DLR / FU Berlin (G. Neukum)

Google earth

4°45'03.91" S 137°38'51.85" E elev -2894 m

Eye alt 73.89 km

# Mars water cycle **NORTHERN SUMMER** Solar Flux



**Sublimation**

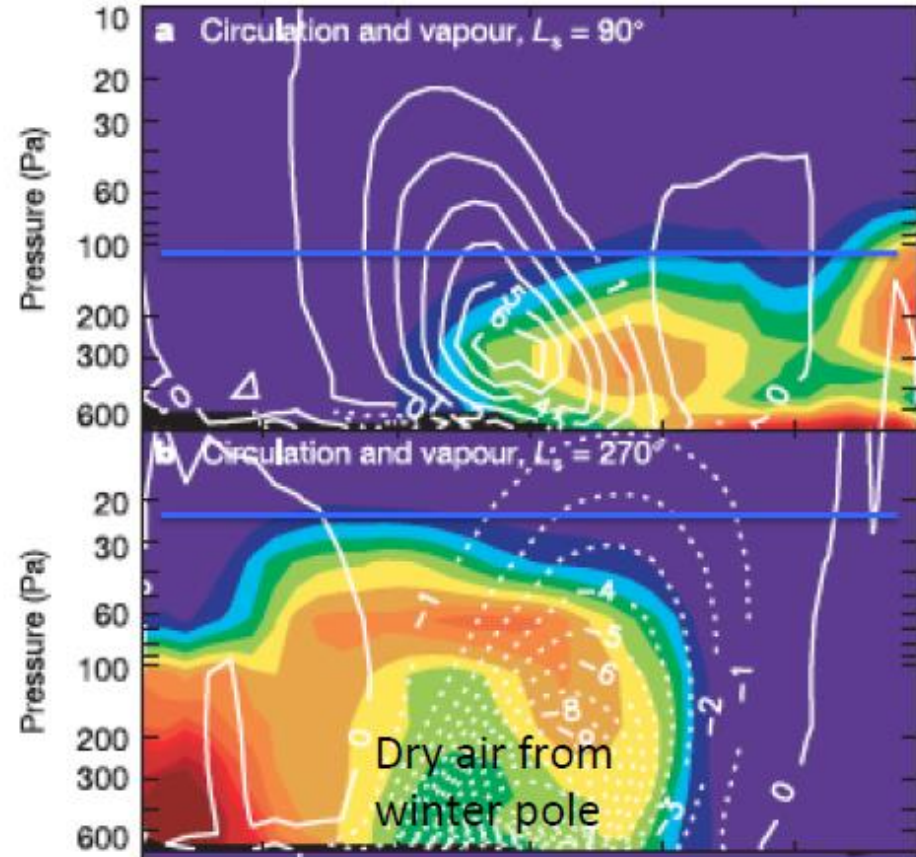
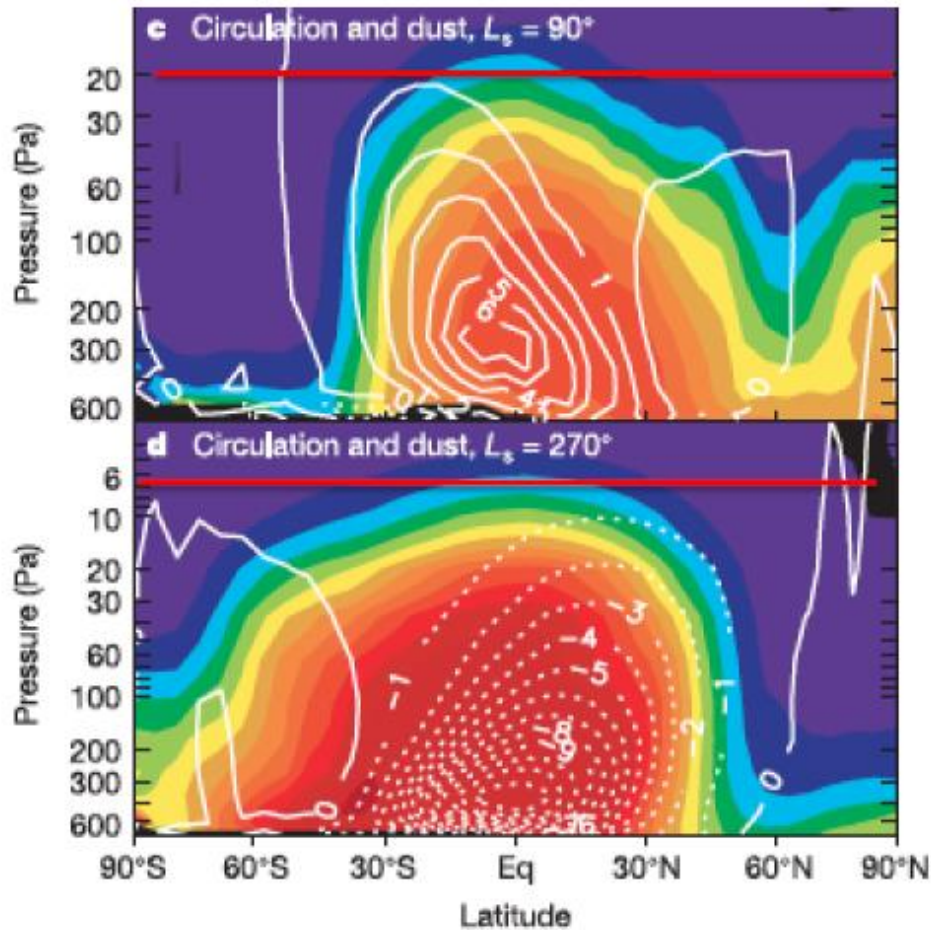
**Transport**

**Clouds**

**Condensation**



## GCM: Circulation of water vapor (and dust)

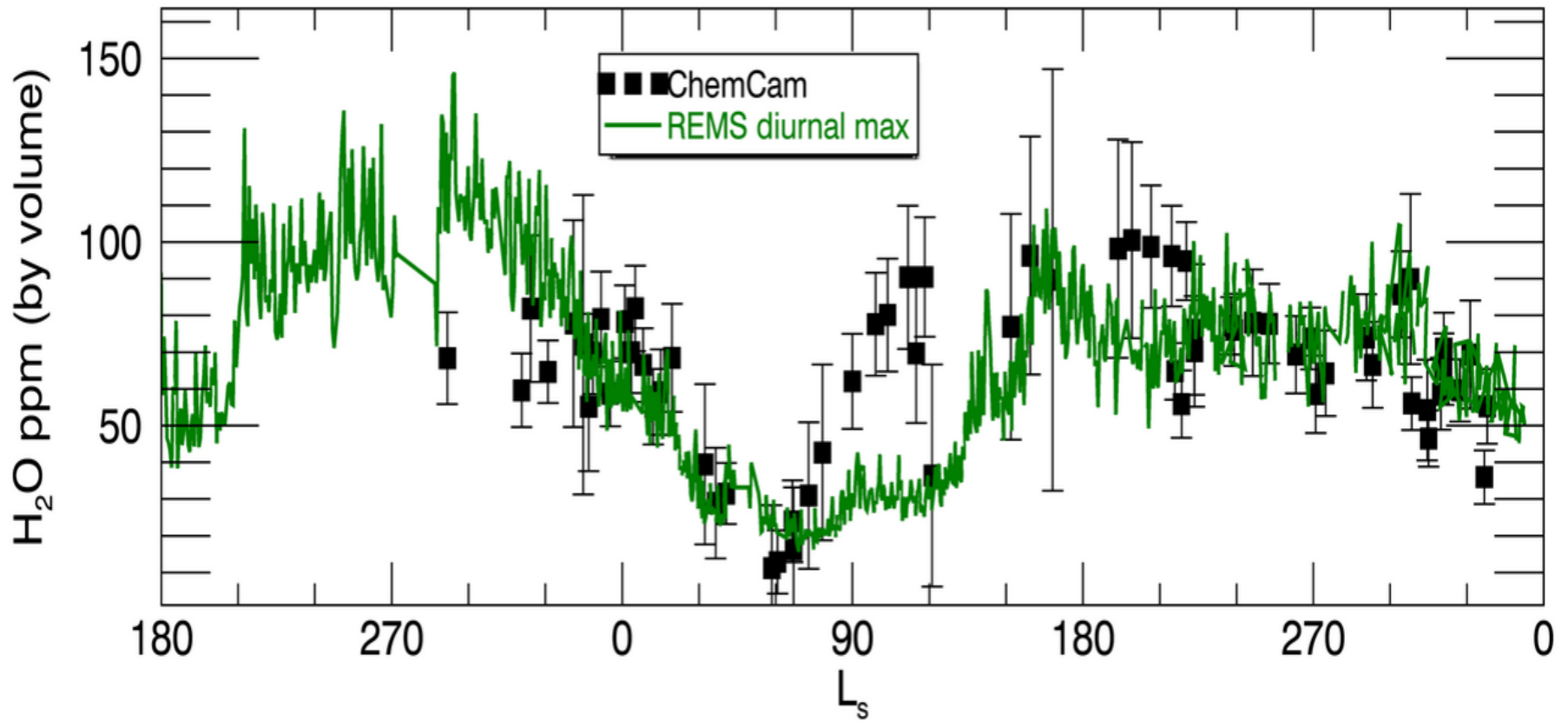


*Richardson and Wilson, 2002*

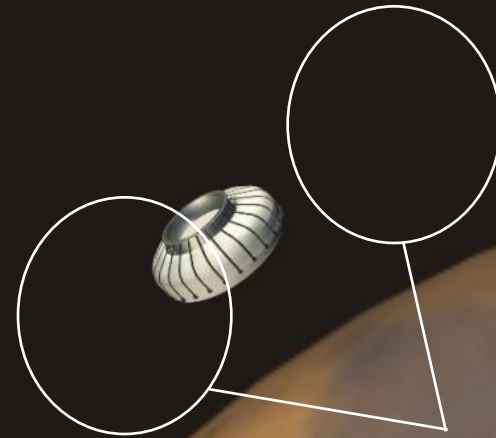




## ChemCam Passive Water Column Average



# Mars MetNet Mission



**MetNet  
microlanders**



MetNet – Mission For Mars



# MetNet

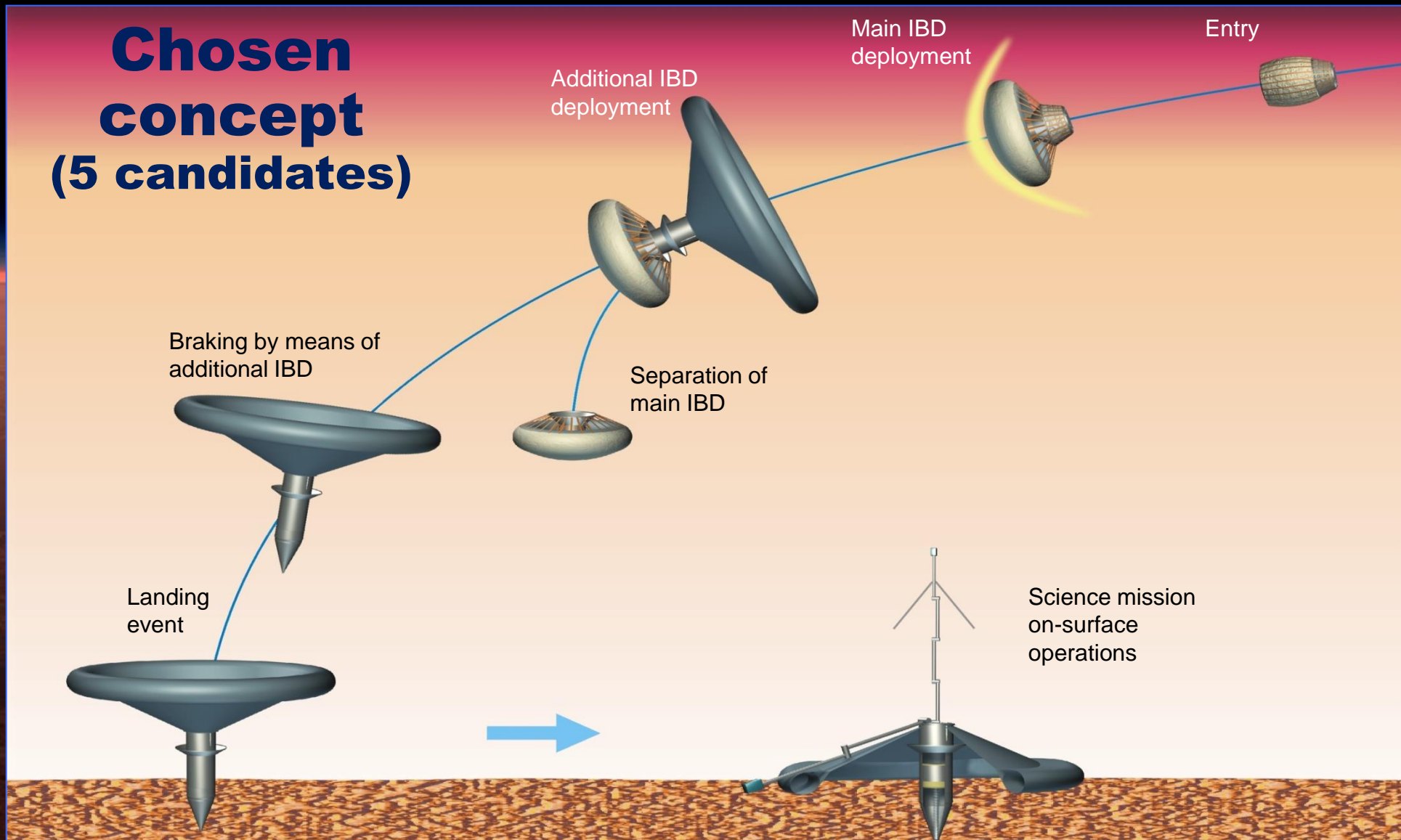
## Atmospheric science network for Mars

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Lavochkin Association, Russia  
Russian Space Research Institute, Russia  
Instituto Nacional de Técnica Aeroespacial, Spain

*Dr. Ari-Matti Harri, Mission Lead*

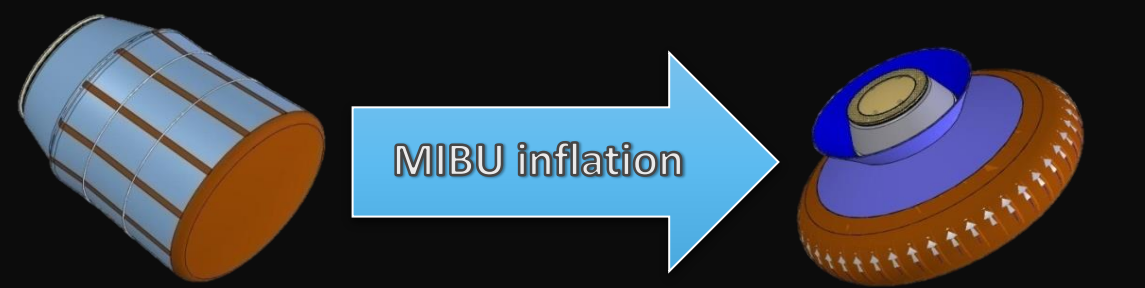
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# Chosen concept (5 candidates)



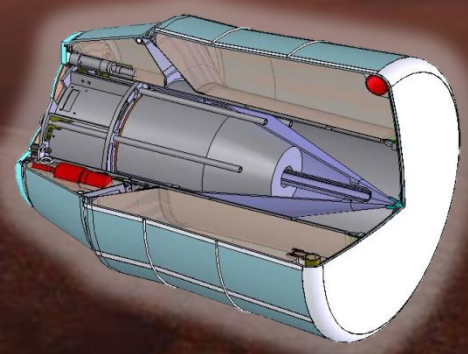


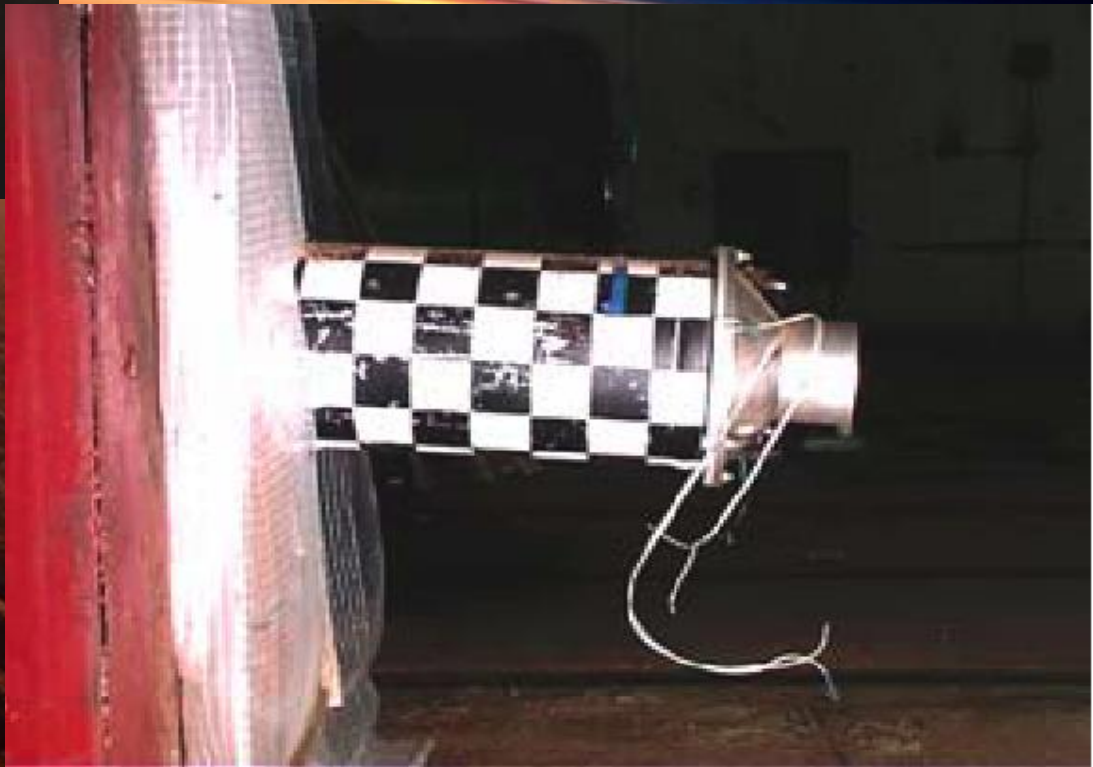
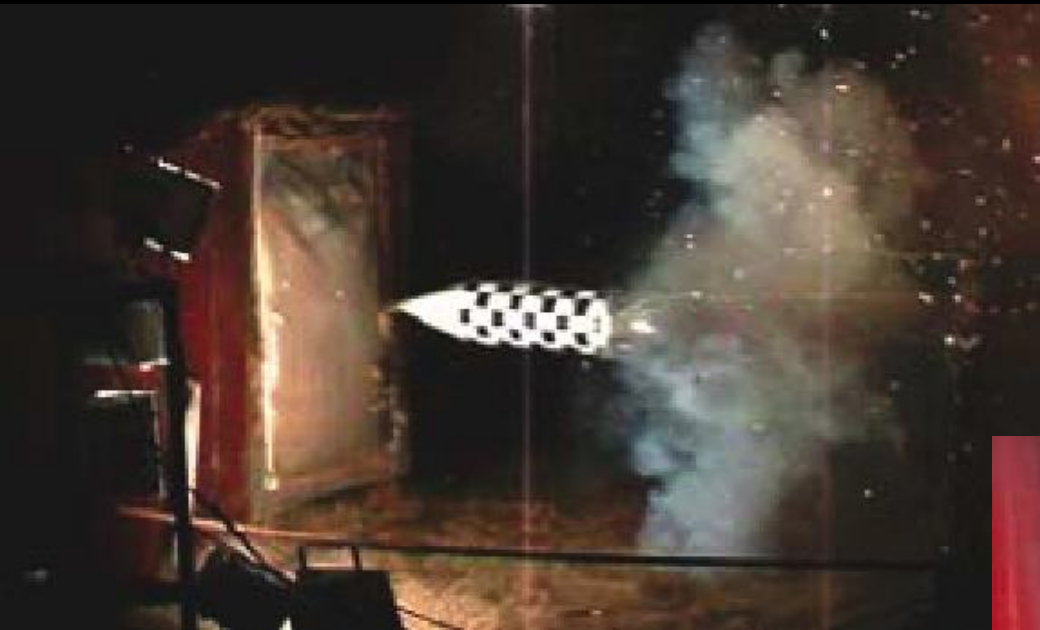
# Mars MetNet Lander



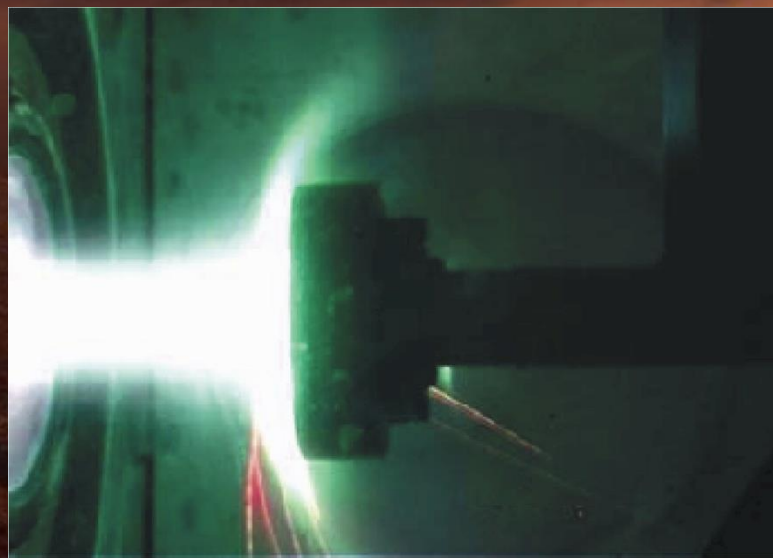
Main Parameters of the MetNet Lander

PARAMETER	VALUE
Vehicle mass	22.2 kg
Payload mass	4.0 kg
Landing speed	55.4 m/s
Diameter of MIBU	1m
Diameter of AIBU	2m





# Thermal protection system tests



# Low altitude drop test



Event	Time of test cyclogram, sec	Real time, sec	Note
Timer activation	0	0	Standard Moscow time 17h 25 min
Separation from the carrier	5-10	7.8	
AIBD deployment	25	25.0	
AIBD inflation system activation, start of AIBD inflation	27	27.0	
Stop of AIBD inflation, cutting of tube and AIBD inflation system pyro-cartridge cable	127	127.0	
Cutting of front shield connections, front shield separation	130	130.0	
Front shield lowering	-	133.2	
Landing	191	182.8	



# MMPM Mass budget

<u>MMPM Mass</u>	<u>Kg</u>
EDLS	12.0
Landing Module	13.2
Lander body	9.2
P/L Module	4
<u>Total Entry Mass</u>	<u>22.2</u>

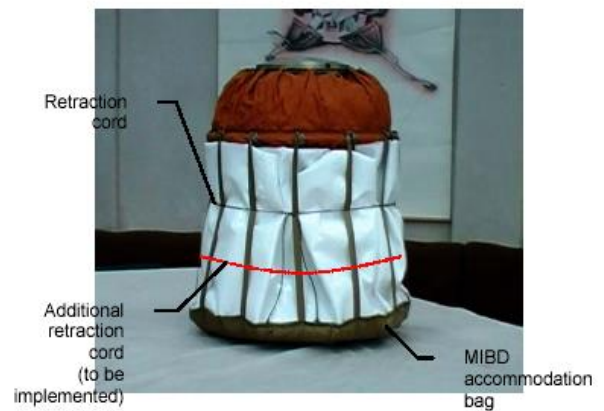


Figure 3-5 MML prototype (folded)



Figure 3-6 MIBD is being inflated

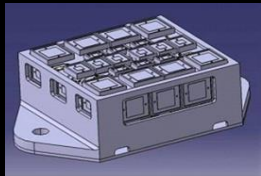


Figure 3-7 MIBD and AIBD fully inflated



Figure 3-8 MML's landing configuration

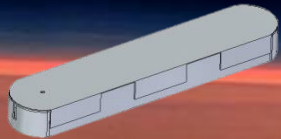
# Strawman payload



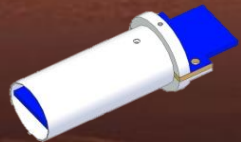
MetSIS and OWLS (INTA)  
*Solar Irradiance Sensor with Optical Wireless System*



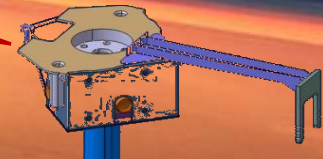
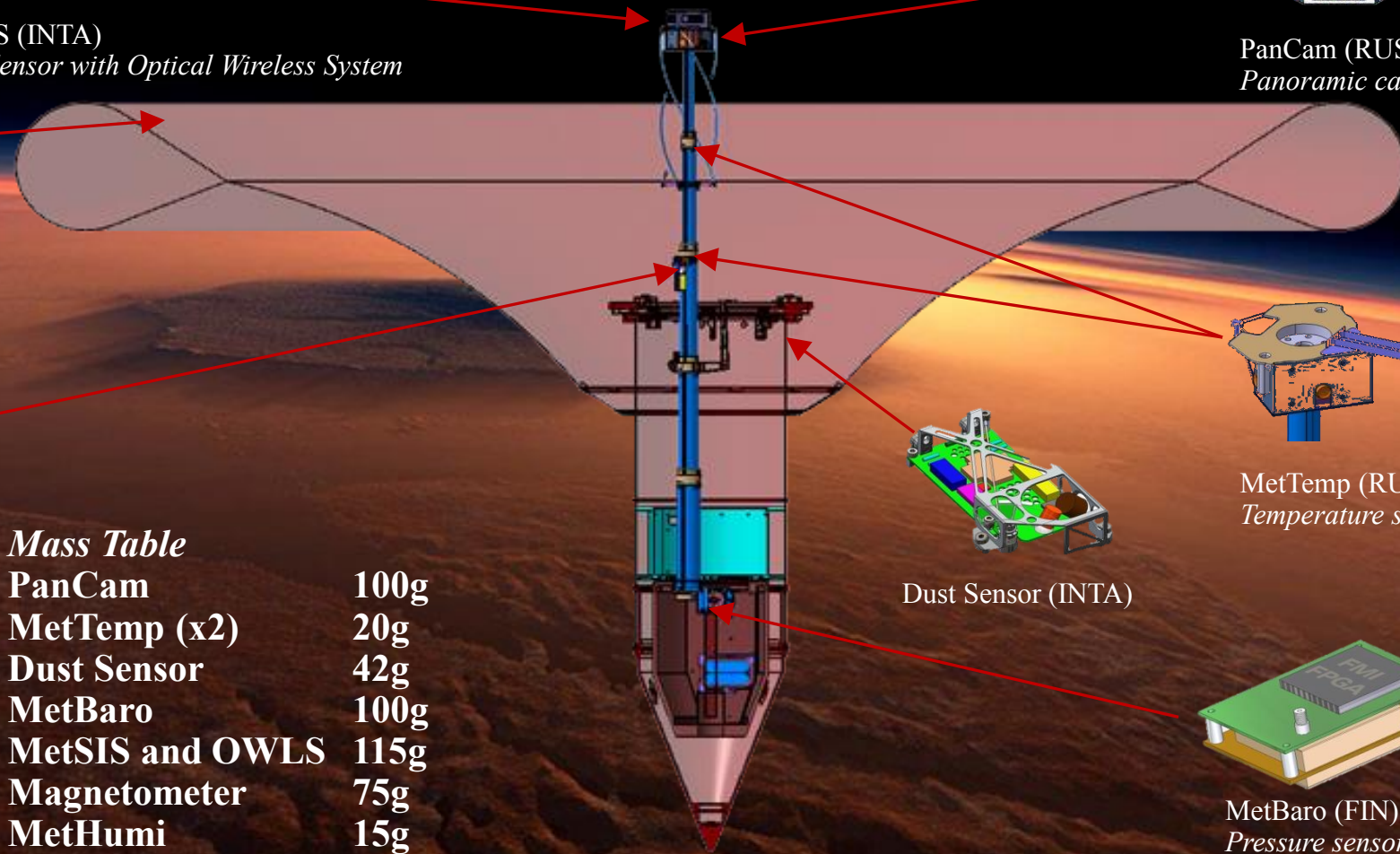
PanCam (RUS)  
*Panoramic camera*



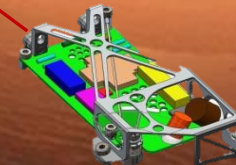
Magnetometer (INTA)



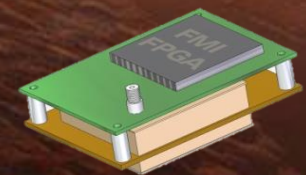
MetHumi (FIN)  
*Humidity sensor*



MetTemp (RUS)  
*Temperature sensors*



Dust Sensor (INTA)

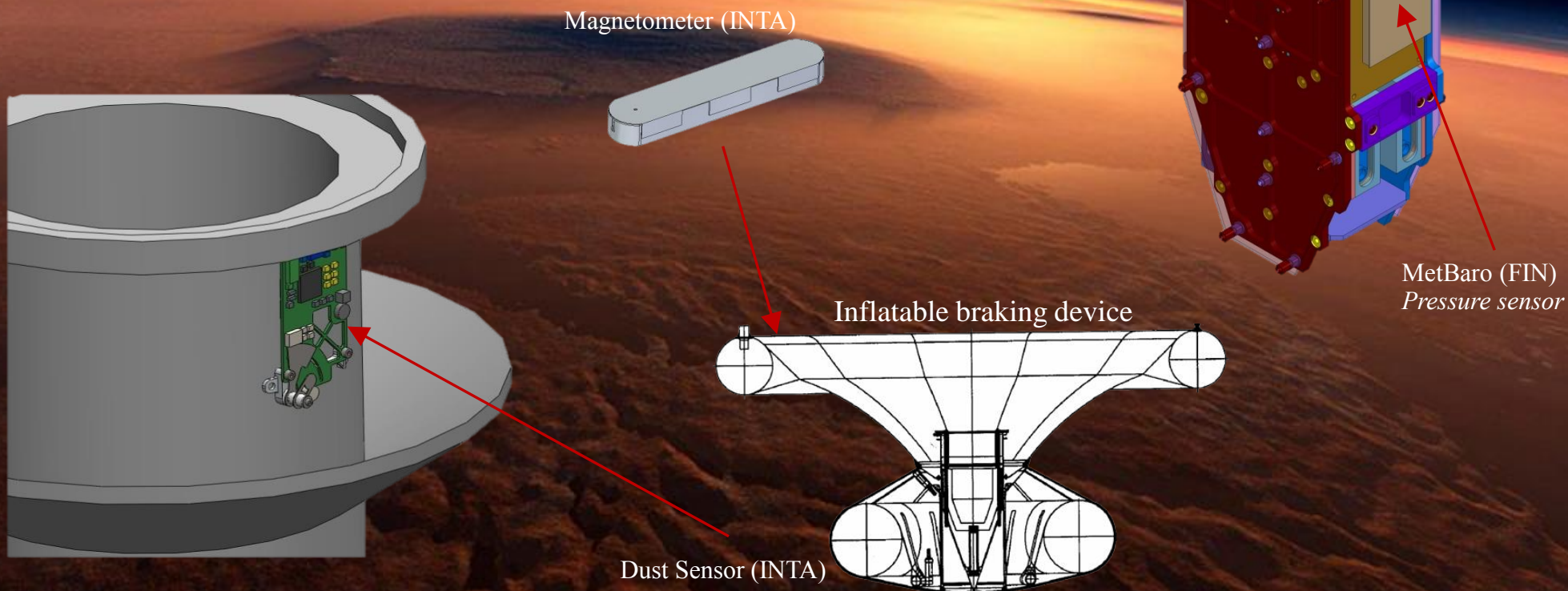


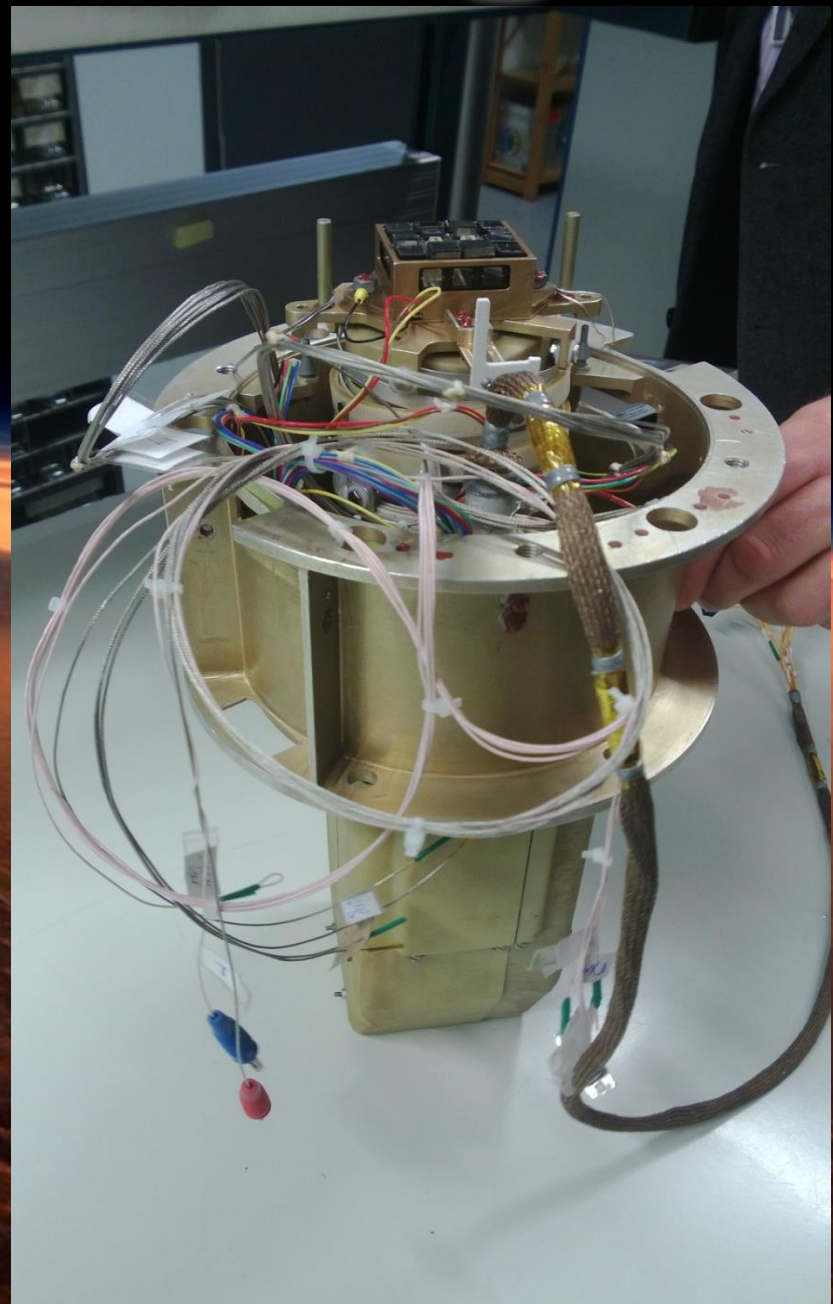
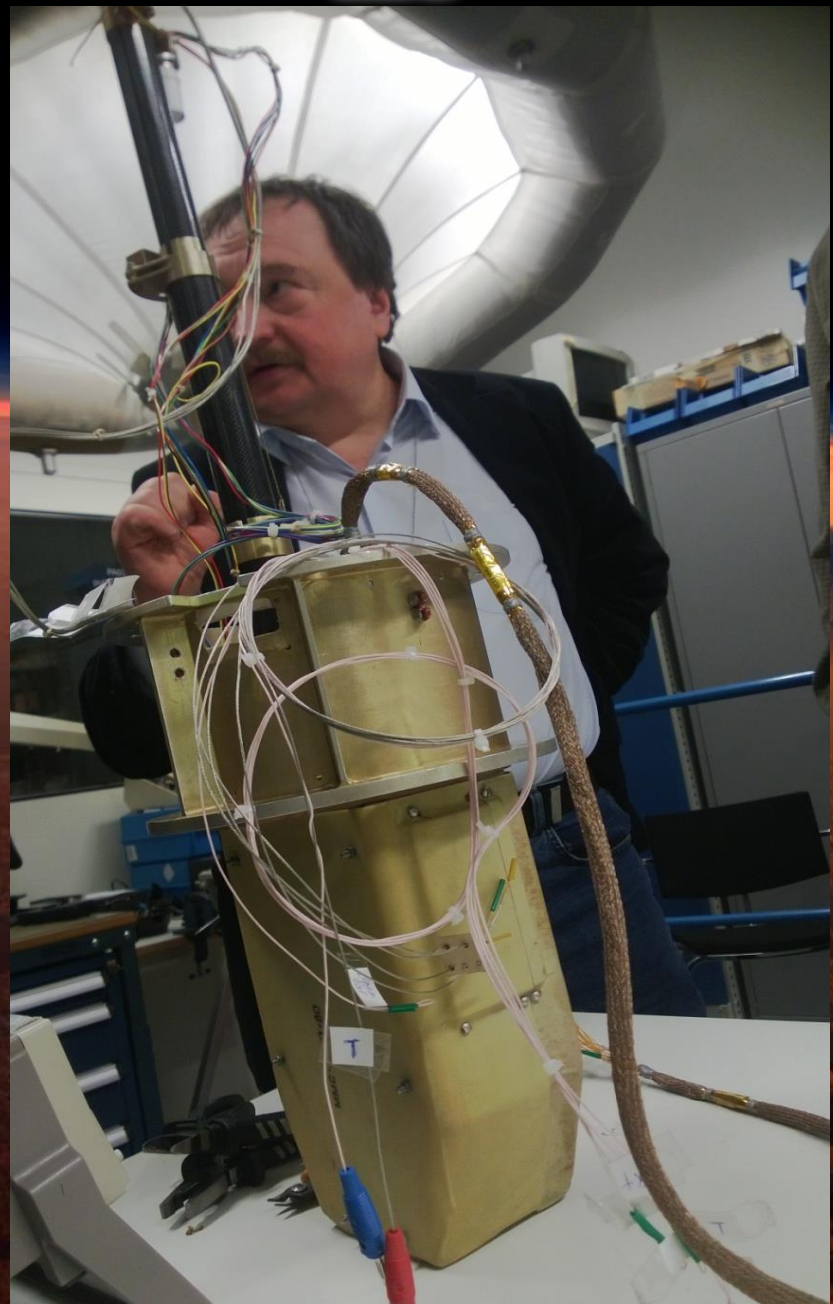
MetBaro (FIN)  
*Pressure sensor*

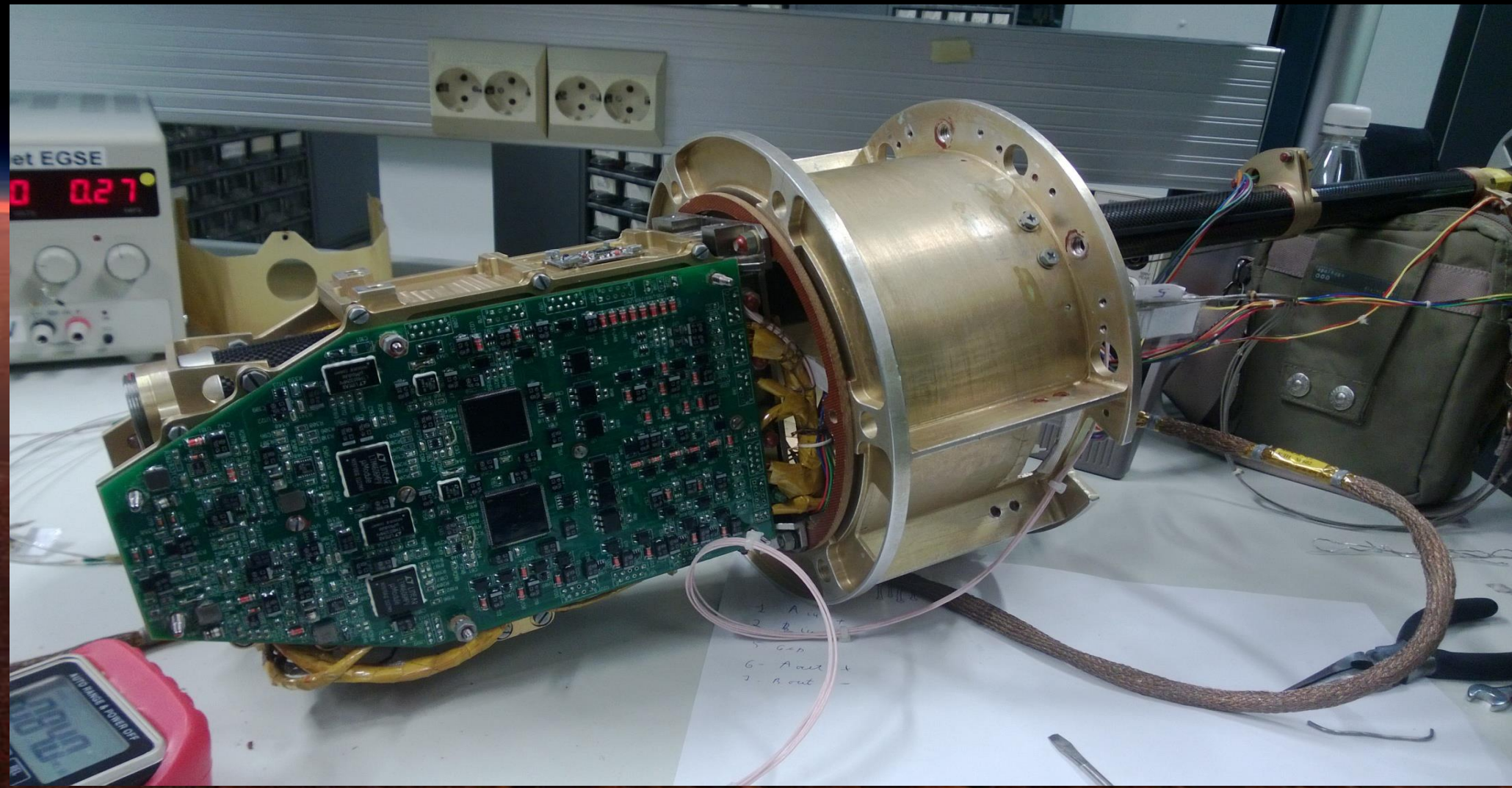
## Mass Table

<b>PanCam</b>	<b>100g</b>
<b>MetTemp (x2)</b>	<b>20g</b>
<b>Dust Sensor</b>	<b>42g</b>
<b>MetBaro</b>	<b>100g</b>
<b>MetSIS and OWLS</b>	<b>115g</b>
<b>Magnetometer</b>	<b>75g</b>
<b>MetHumi</b>	<b>15g</b>
<b><u>Instrument reserve</u></b>	<b><u>42g</u></b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>509g</b>

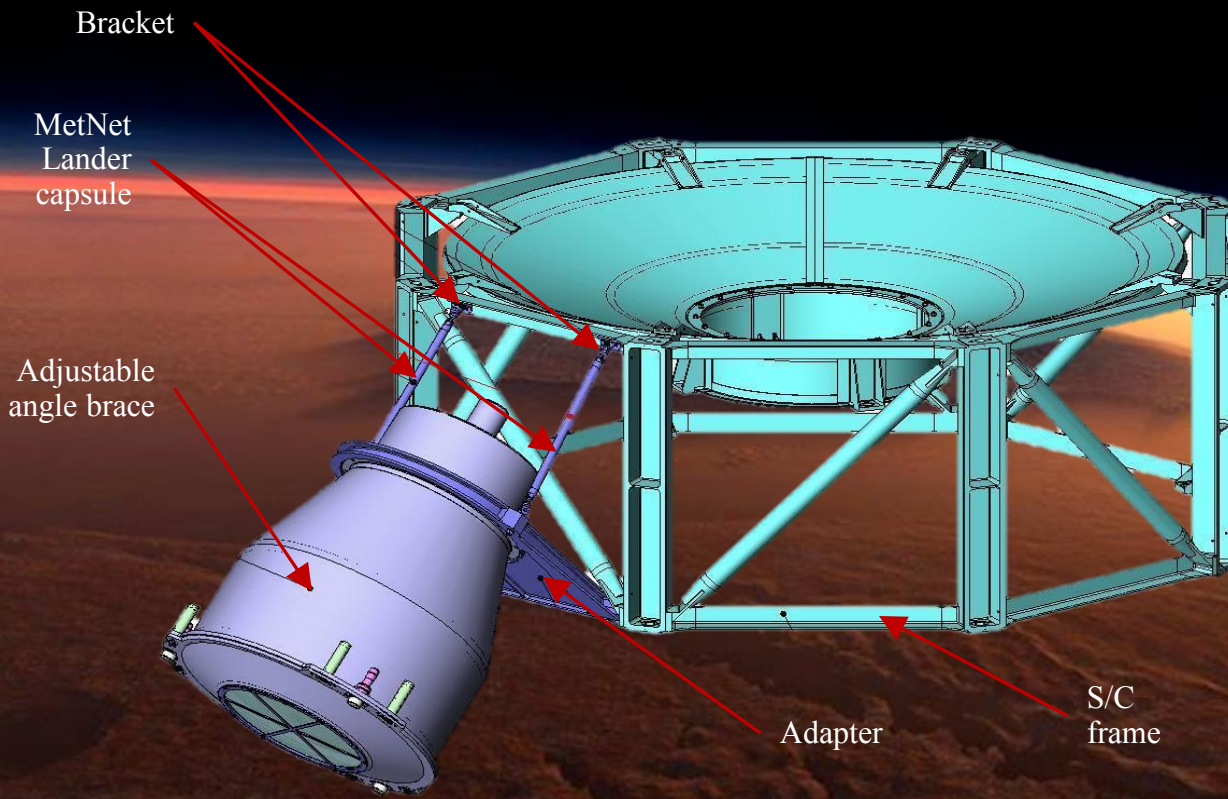
- MetBaro Pressure sensor is located inside the MNL payload bay
- The magnetometer and dust sensor, are located in the payload bay inside the MNL.
  - DS is mounted on the frame of the MNL
  - MAG is mounted on the inflatable braking device







# Mounting the MetNet Lander on S/C

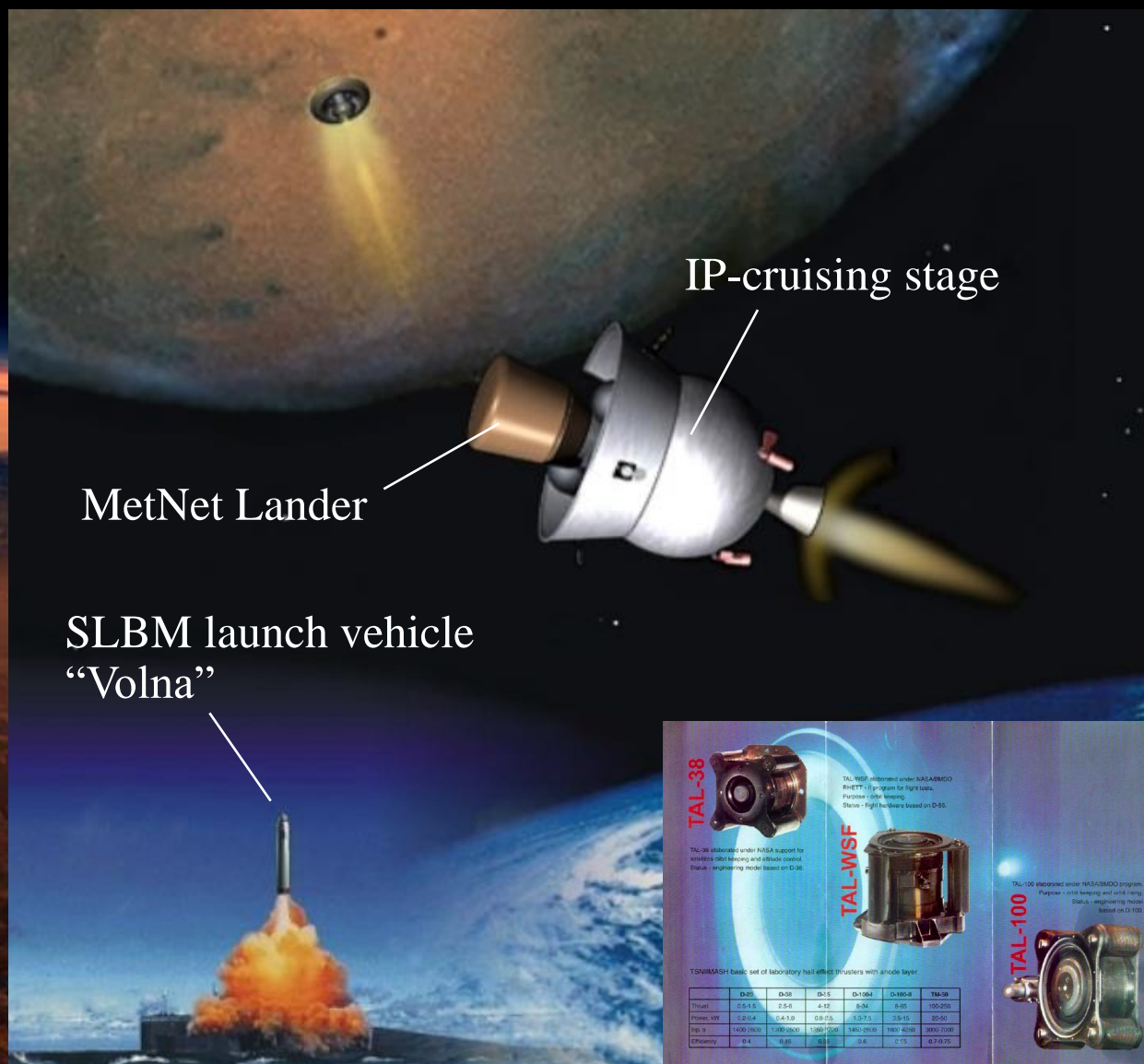


Estimated mass budget of MNL capsule assembly

Name	Mass, kg
MNL capsule	50.7
System of the capsule mounting:	10.4
• adapter	8.2
• adjustable angle brace	2×0.38
• bracket	2×0.3
• fasteners	0.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>61.1</b>

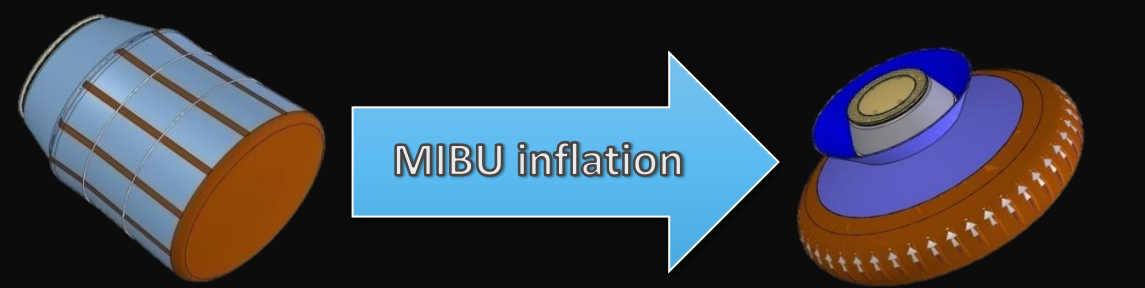
# Optional Mars Mission

- A single MetNet  $\mu$ -Lander could be sent to Mars using SLBM LV
- Acceleration from LEO by electric propulsion engine (used for more than decade)
- Small interplanetary cruise stage (heritage from earlier missions)
- Low cost
- Requires communications satellite around Mars (MEX, NASAs orbiters, special comsat)



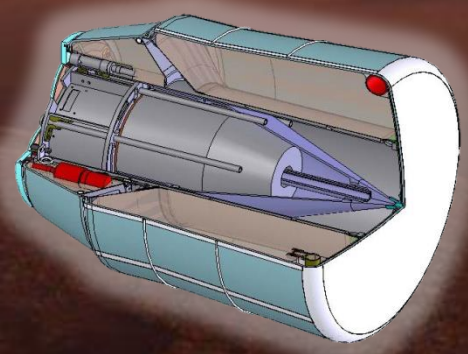


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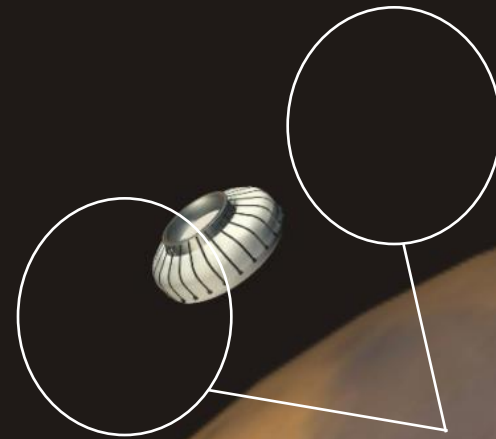
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Millions of years ago at Mars ... Conference on "The Earth and its Enigmas"

**Dears Colleagues, the future looks bad.**

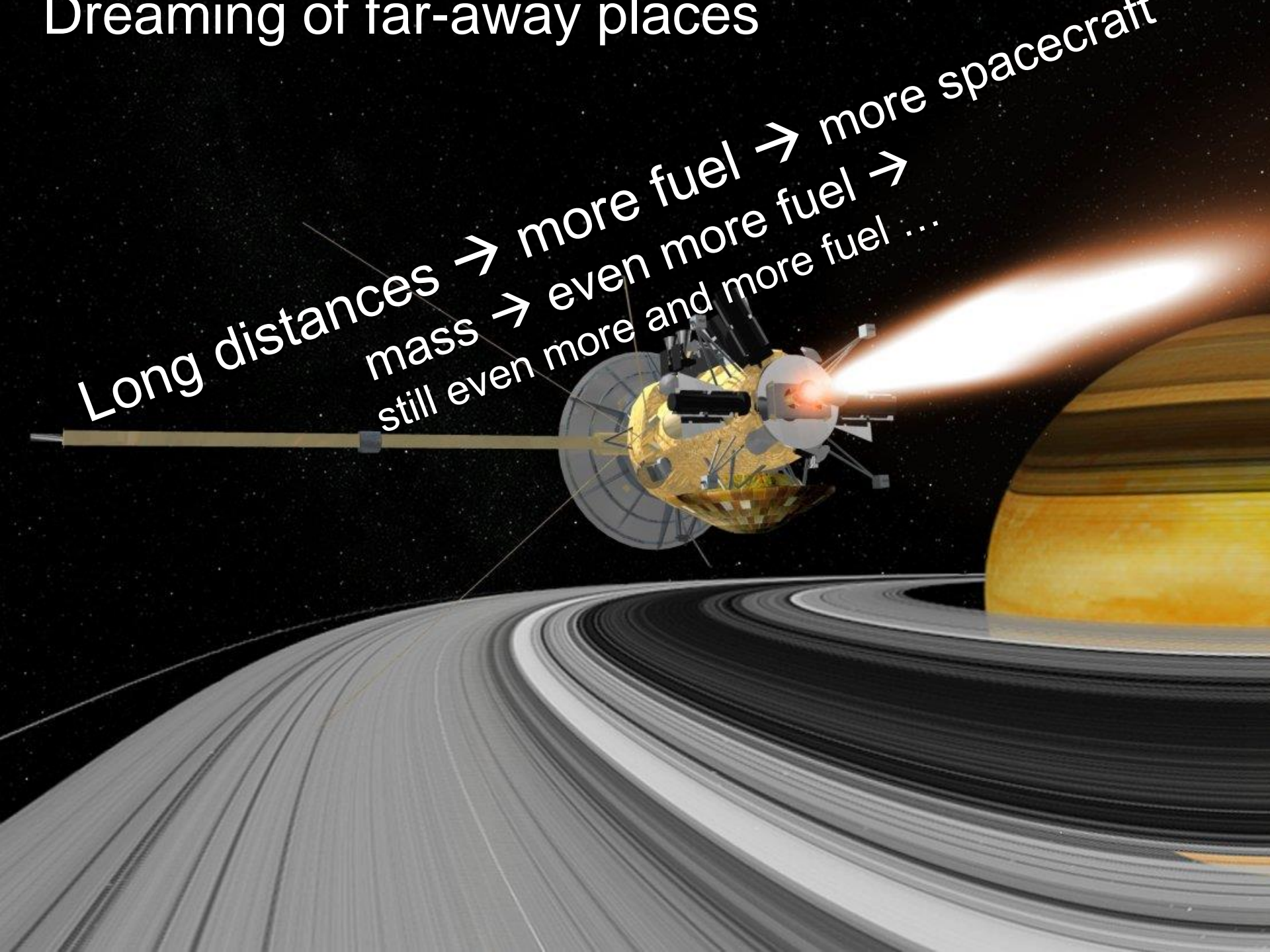
**The climate of our dear home planet Mars is royally screwed up.**

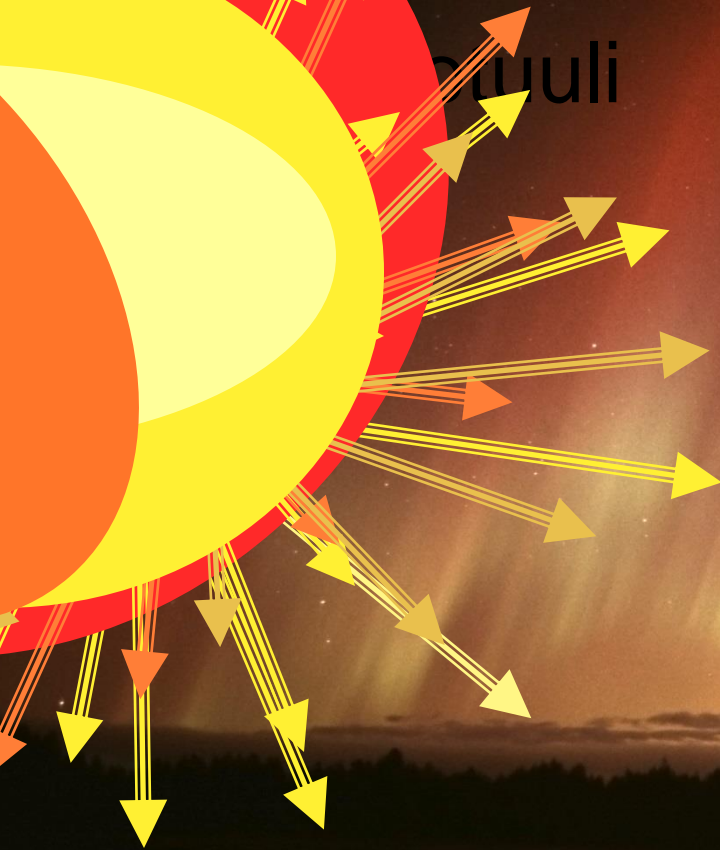
**And, new human race will rise on the Earth, so we'll go somewhere else.**

**We just need to cover our tracks properly. Let's split.**

# Dreaming of far-away places

Long distances → more fuel → more spacecraft  
mass → even more fuel →  
still even more and more fuel ...





- **The Sun is throwing out charged particles.**
- **This phenomenon was discovered in 1959**

**Particle speed roughly 400 km/s**

YES, hundreds of kilometers per second,  
that is

**1 400 000 km/h!!!**



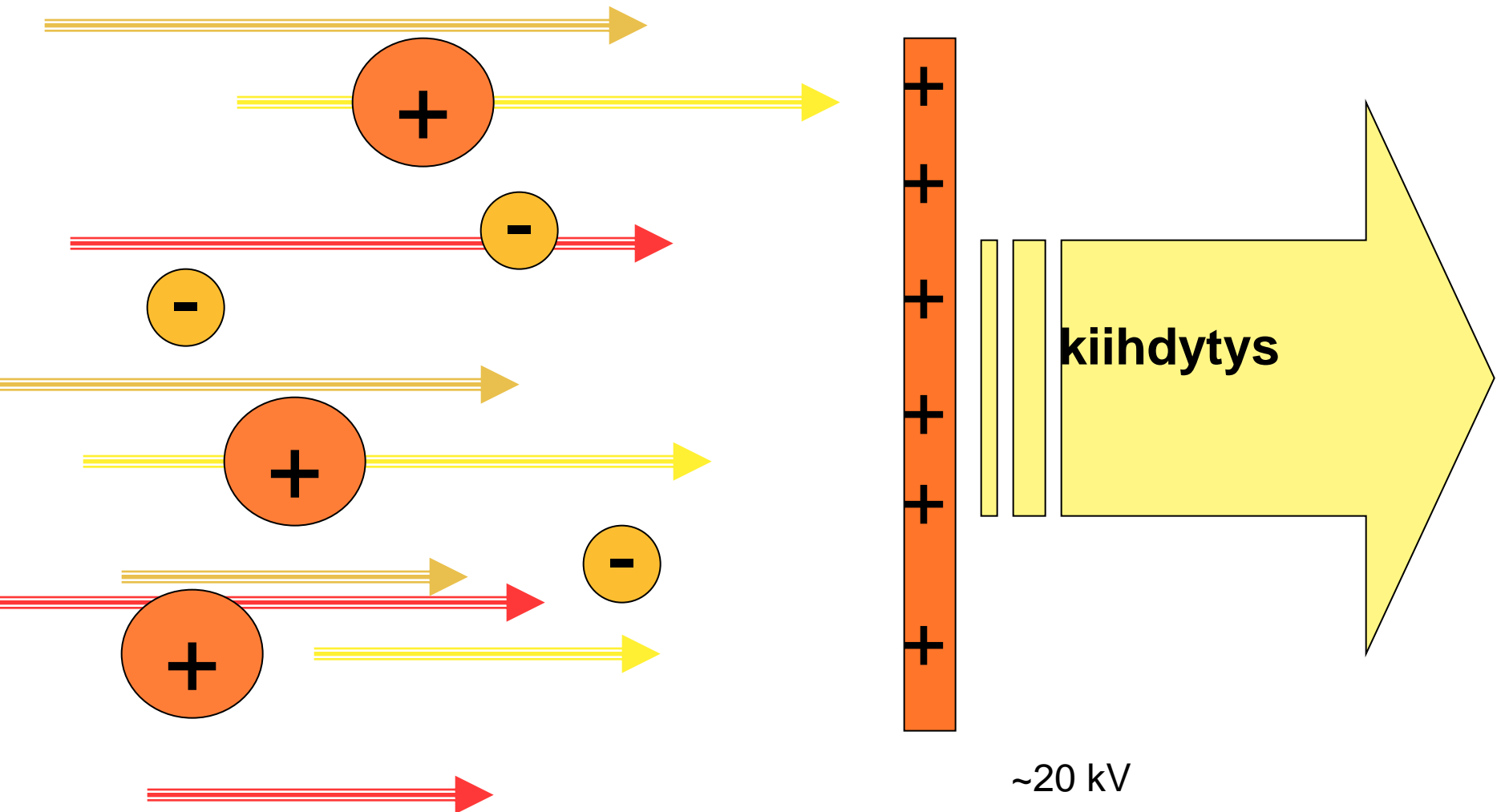
Charges with similar sign repulse  
Opposite signs attract each other



**600 AD Thales of Miletus wrote about static electricity !**



# Let us place a charged object in solar wind :



**The charged object could be a wire, it is easy to control ?!.**



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# How much wire is needed ?

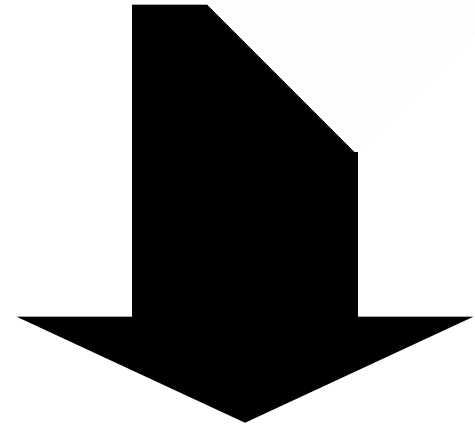
~0.5 mN/km →

2000 km of wire will produce

# 1 Newton

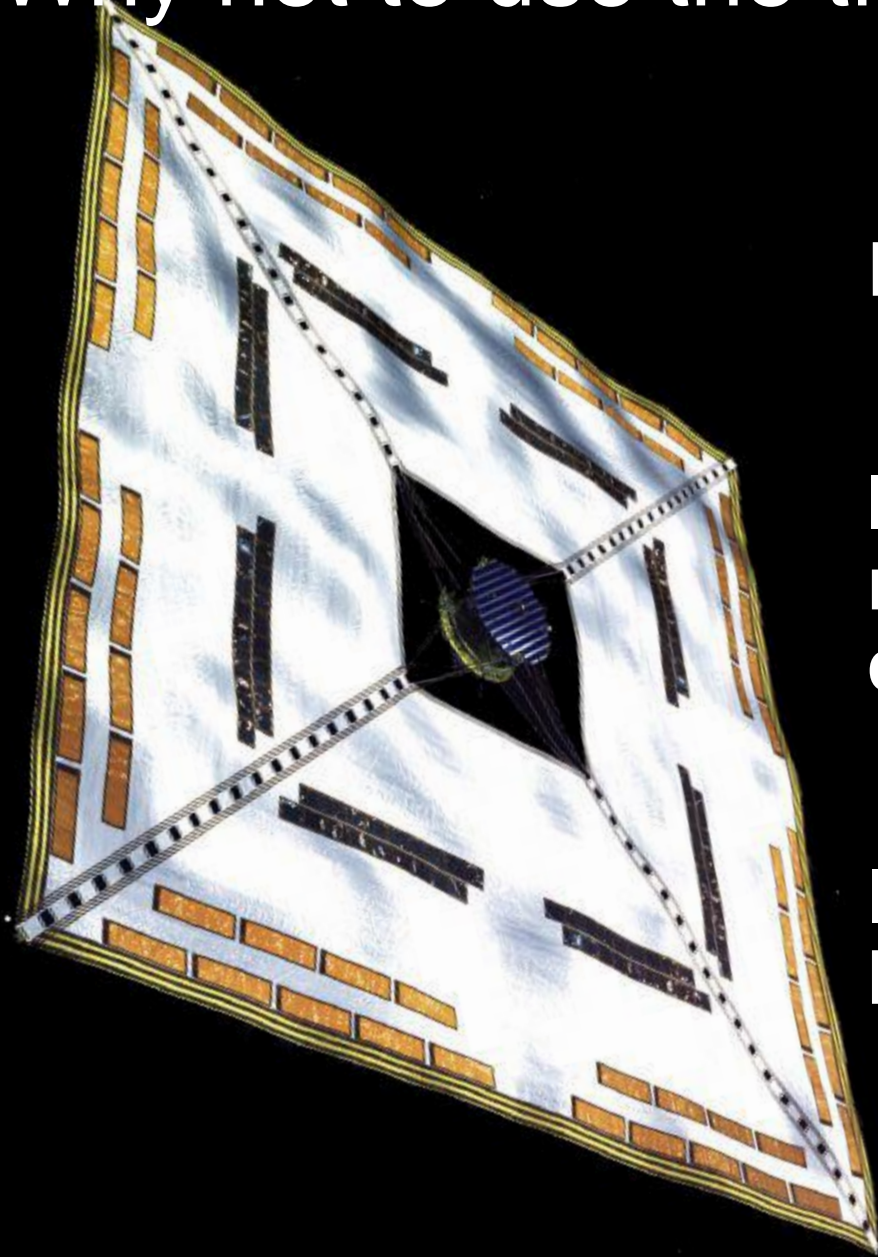
100 wires each 20 km would  
produce 1 N !!

Does it sound to be small ?



**In space things are different ...**

# Why not to use the traditional photon sail ?



**Requires a 2D structure**

**Ikaros was launched recently. The sail diameter is 20 m →**

**1 mN**

**It is much easier to handle 2 km of wire**



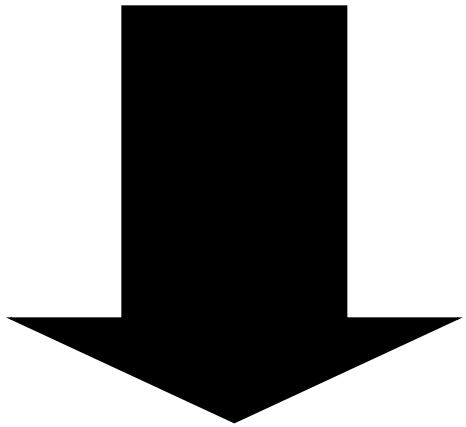


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# If that apple would push your car

...after one year it would be  
speeding 31 km/s, that is

**110 000 km/h**



**Continuous propulsion without fuel !!!**



But 2000 km wire sounds very long ...  
doesn't it get entangled ??

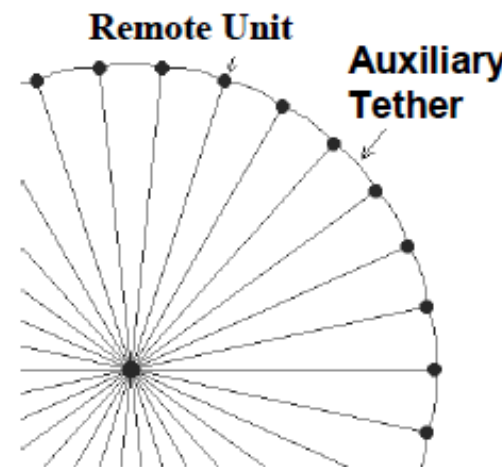
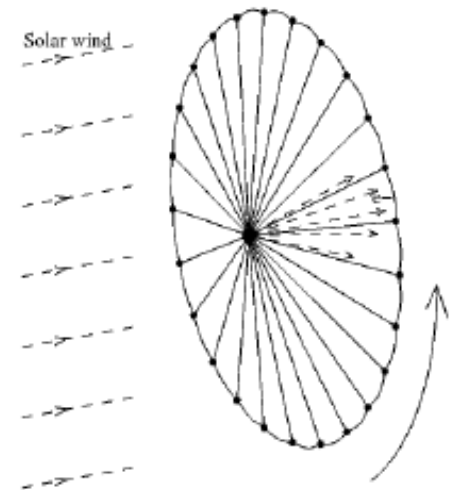
# Let's make the wires roll !





# E-sail construction

- Positive tethers (10-20 km length made of 25-50  $\mu\text{m}$  wire, +20-40 kV voltage)
- Up to 1 N thrust (scales as  $1/r$ ) from 100-200 kg unit (30 km/s delta-v per year to 1000 kg spacecraft)
- Power consumption modest, scales as  $1/r^2$
- Baseline approach uses non-conducting **Auxiliary Tethers** to stabilise flight without active control
- “**Remote Units**” at tips contain aux tether reels and spinup propulsion/spin control

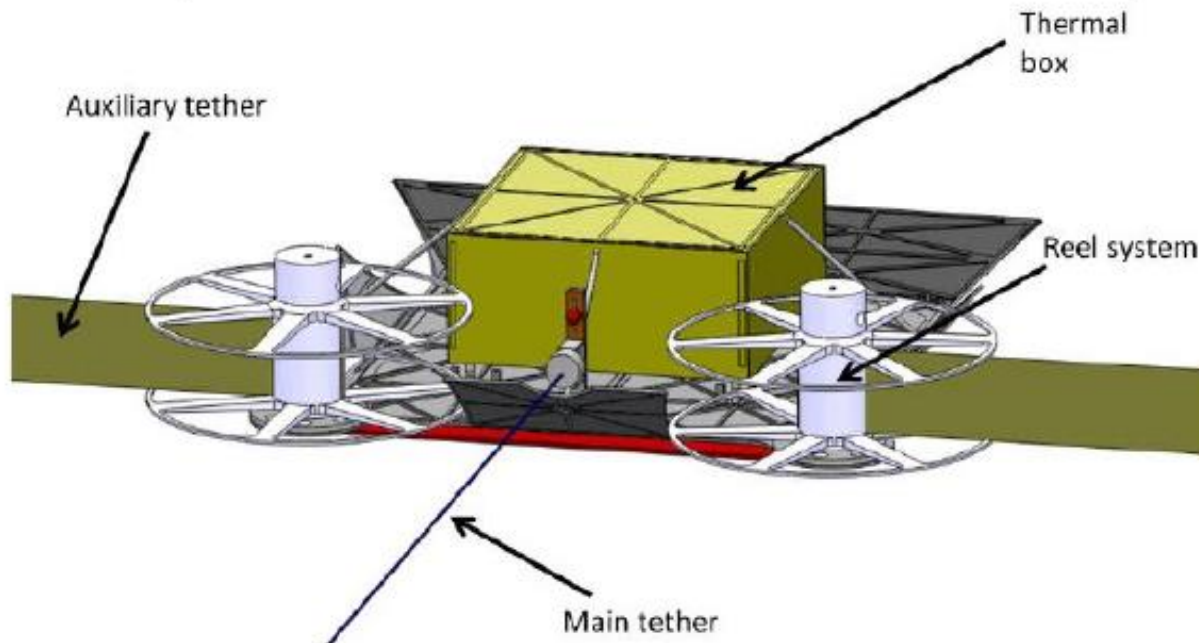




# E-sail “Remote Unit”



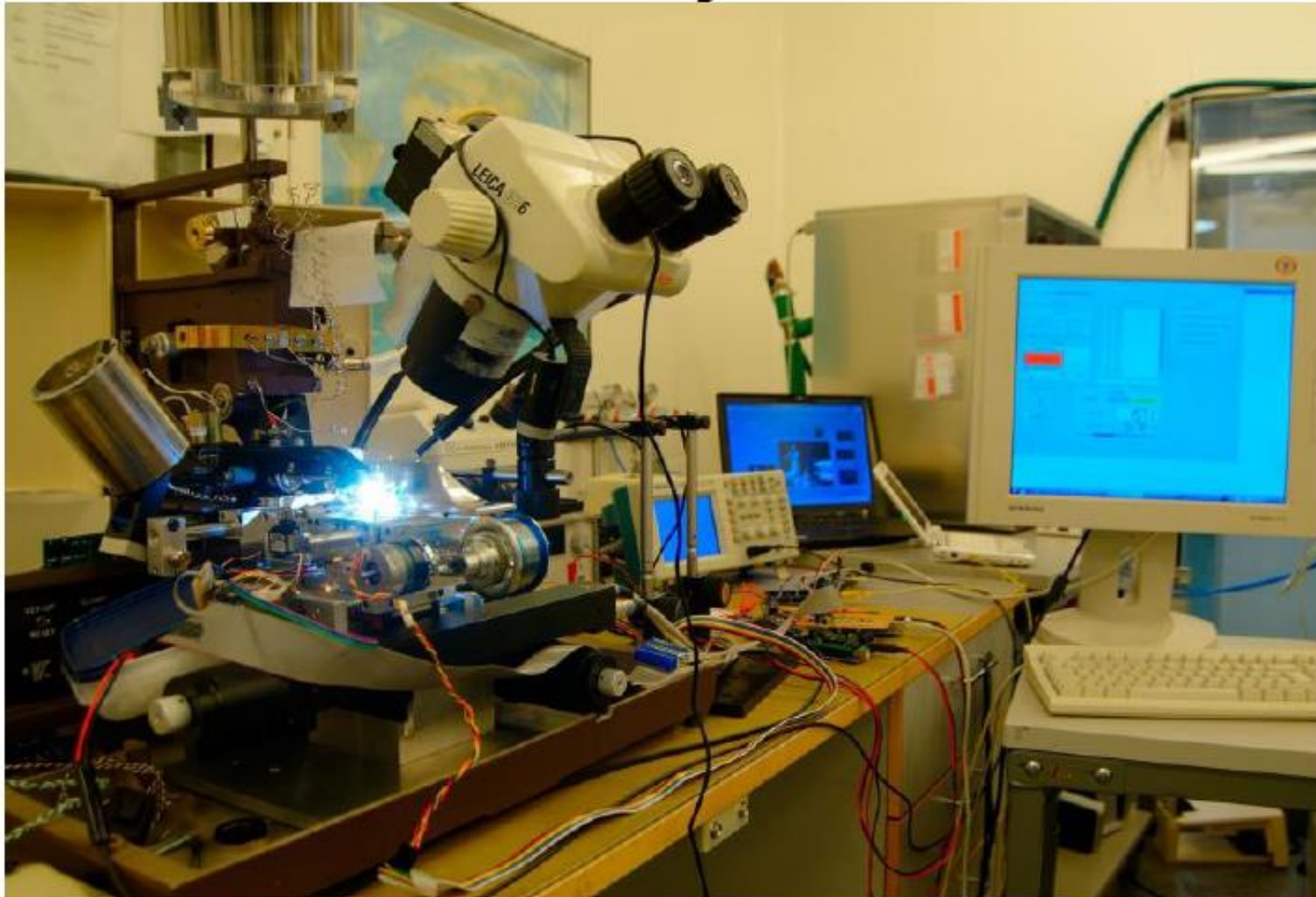
- Reels of auxiliary tethers and cold gas (or FEEP) thrusters to initiate and control spin



- Remote Unit  $m=0.56$  kg (CG version dry), allowed solar distance range 0.9-4 au

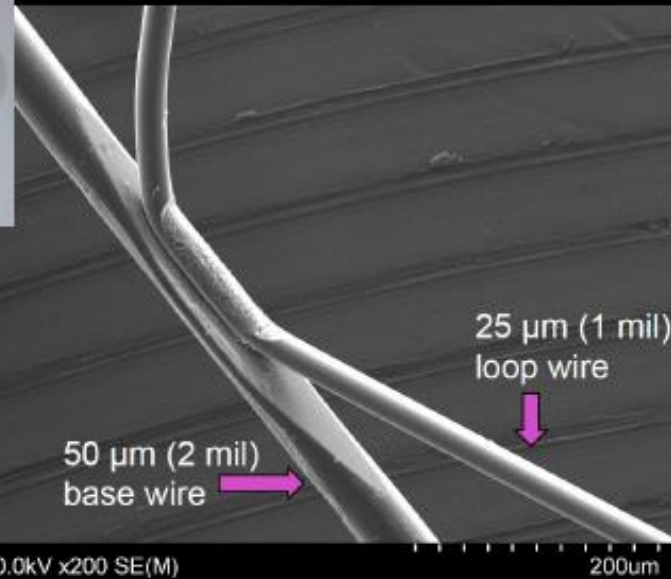
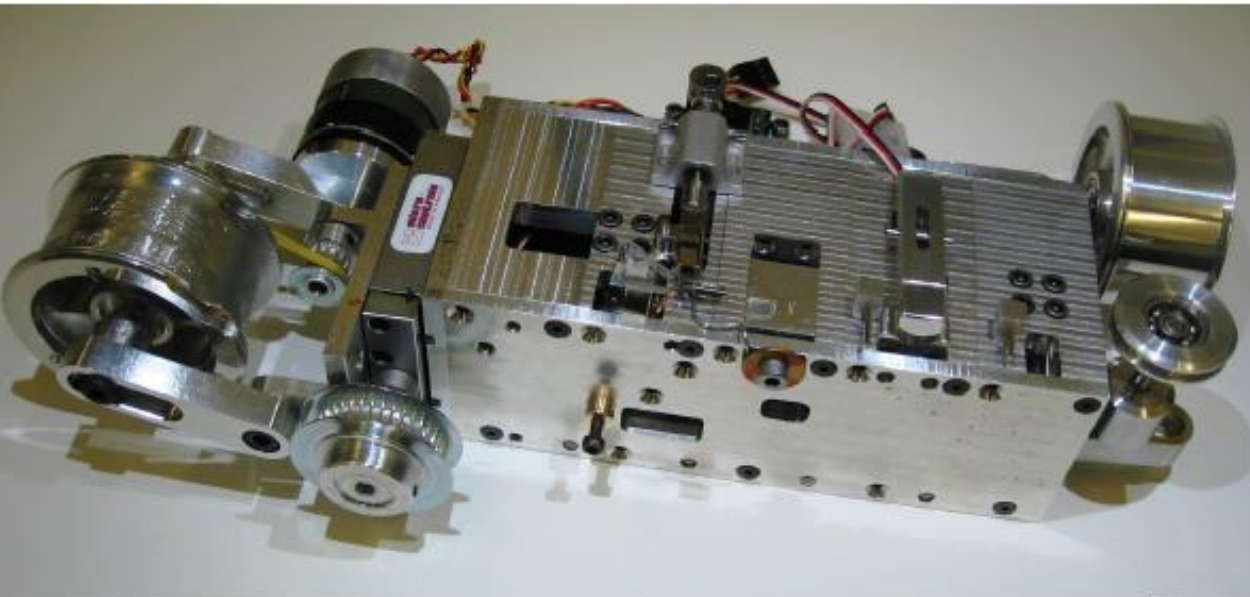


# E-sail tether factory





# Tether factory and its product

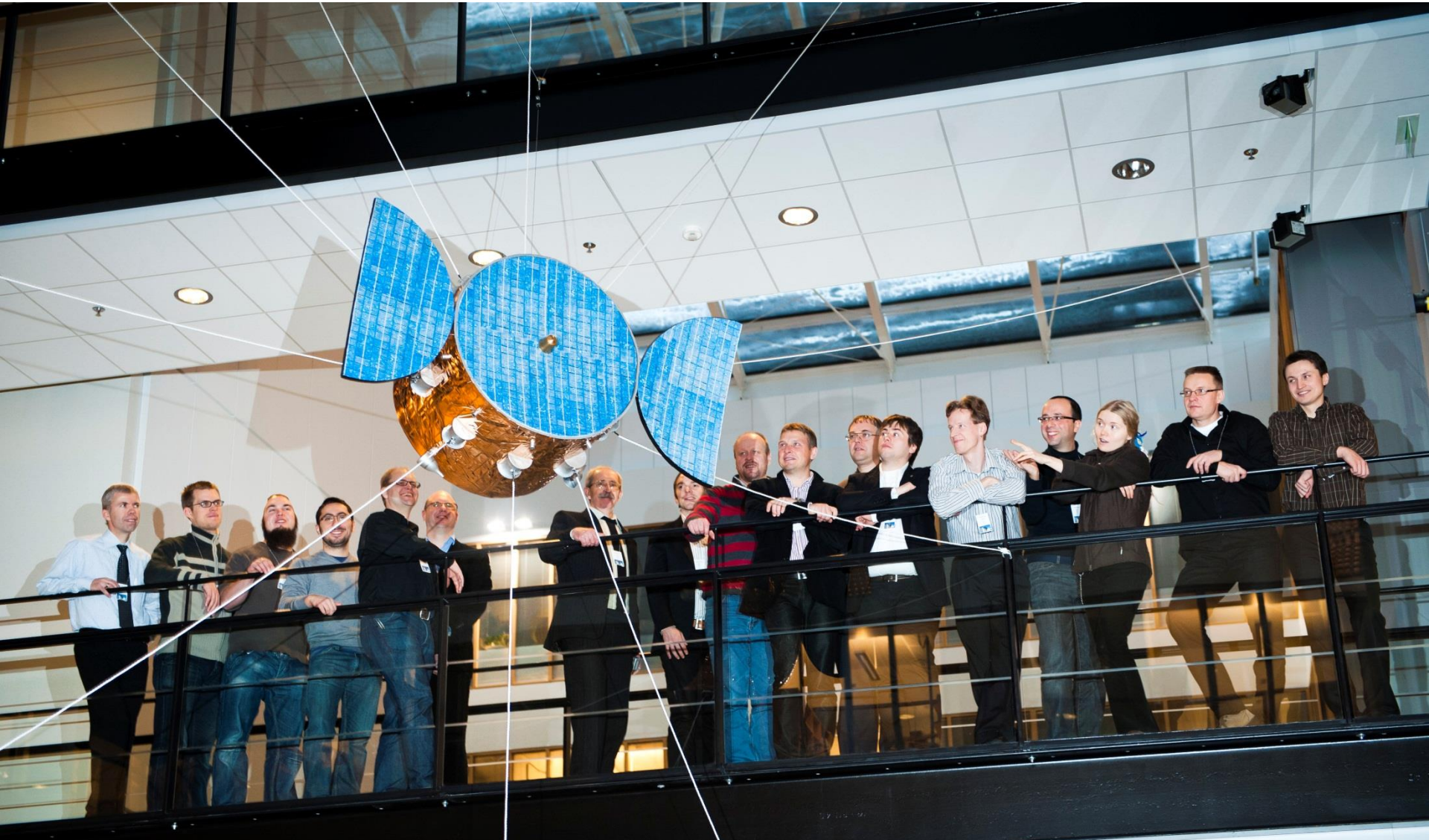


# E-sail EU FP7 project



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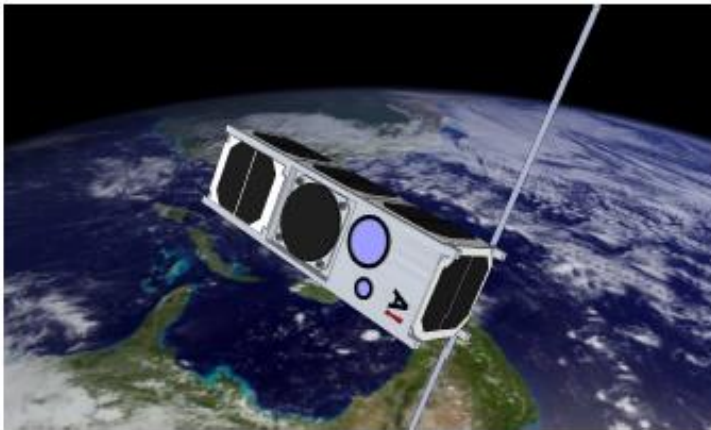




# Aalto-1 E-sail test mission



- 3-U CubeSat, work led by Aalto University, Finland
- 100 m tether, similar orbit as ESTCube-1
- Satellite carries also other payloads
- Planned launch 2015



# Aalto-1



# Electric sail: APPLICATIONS



# Jupiter

5.2 au from the Sun

Spacecraft mass

Travel time

600 kg

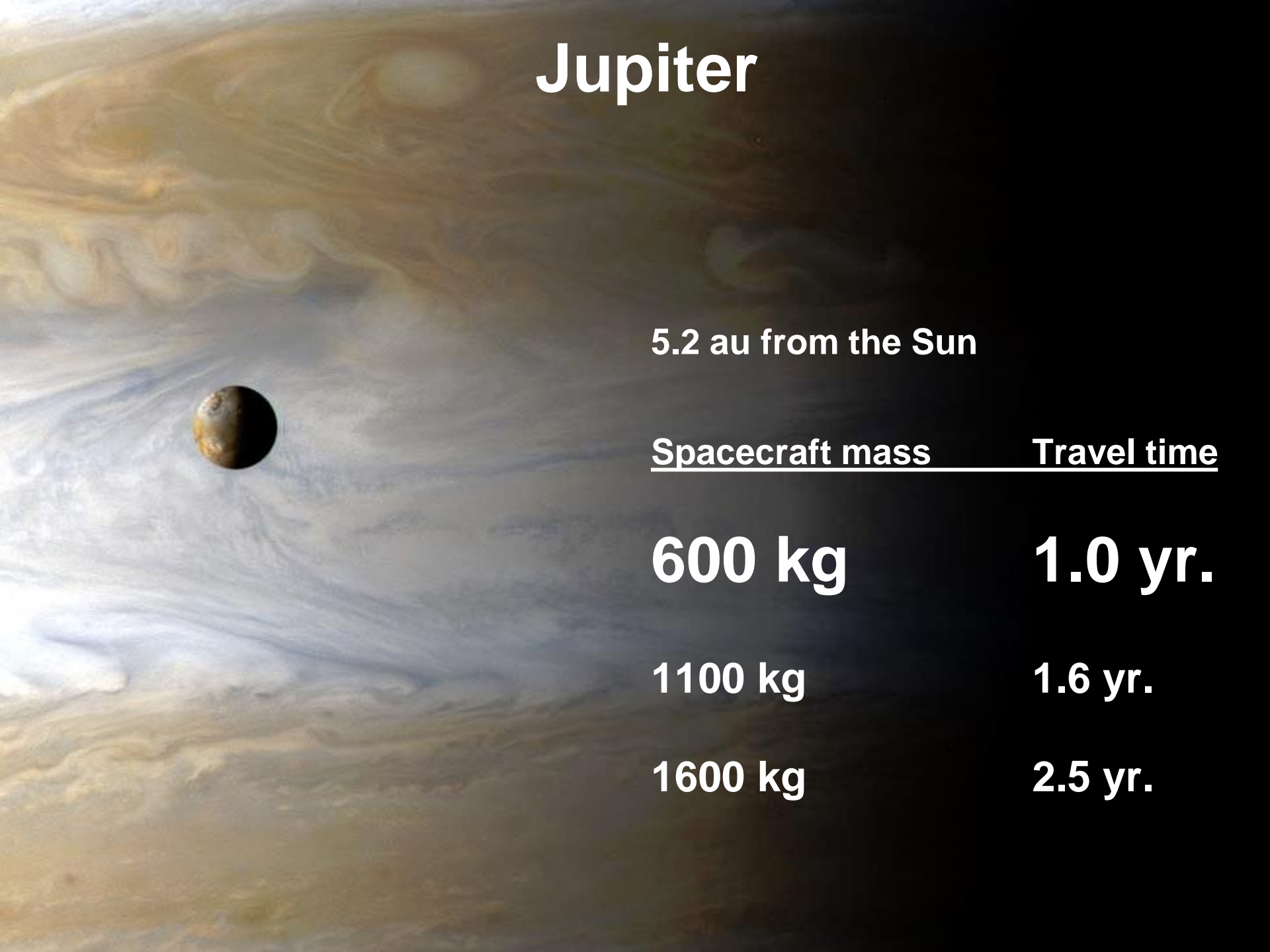
1.0 yr.

1100 kg

1.6 yr.

1600 kg

2.5 yr.



# Saturnus



9.6 au from the Sun

Spacecraft mass

Travel t

**600 kg 1.7 yr**

1100 kg

2.8 yr.

1600 kg

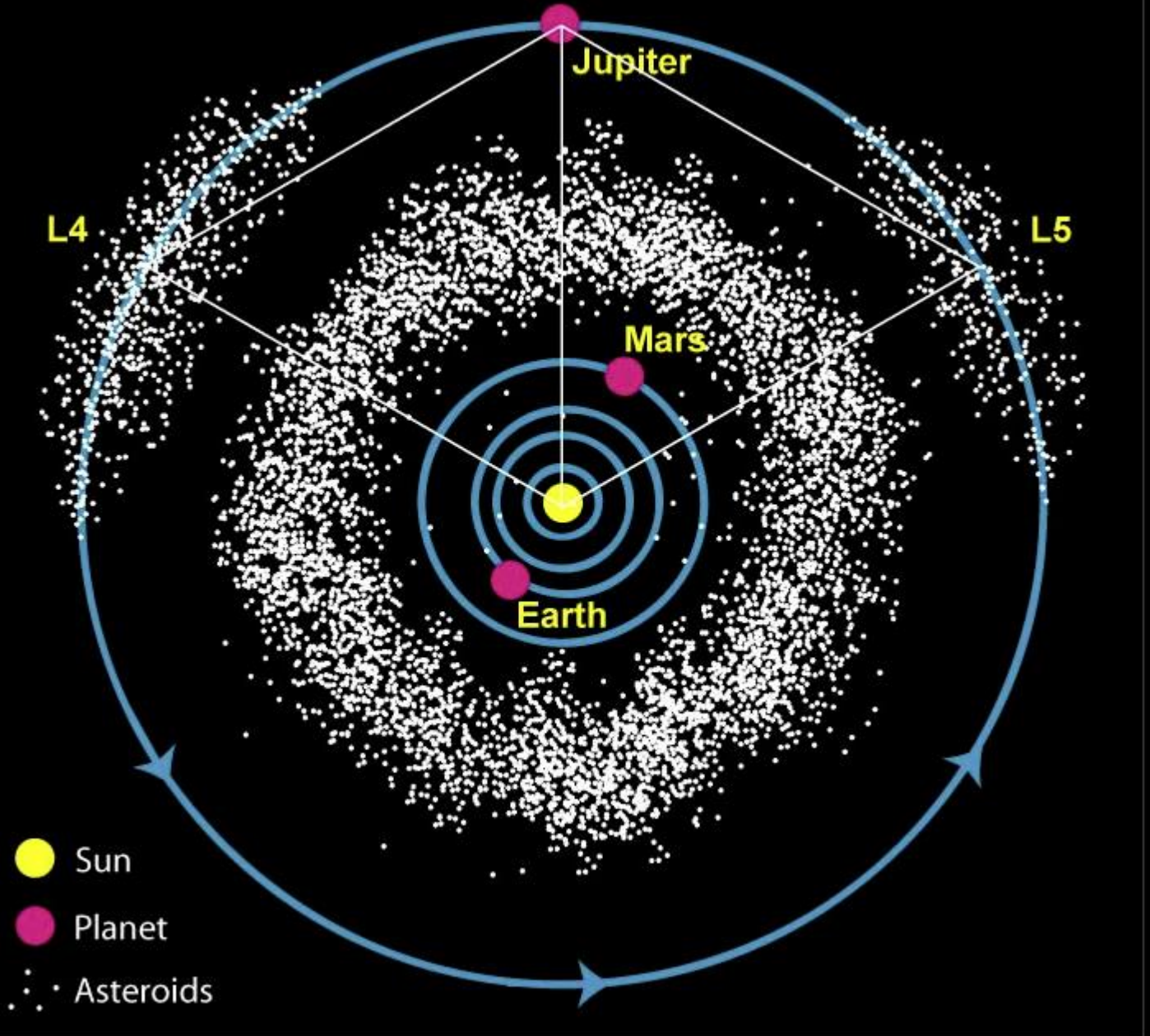
4.6 yr.

# Asteroid zone round trip



Would require about 100 000 kg of chemical fuel,  
or 2000 kg solar cells.

# Mining activity in Solar system ?

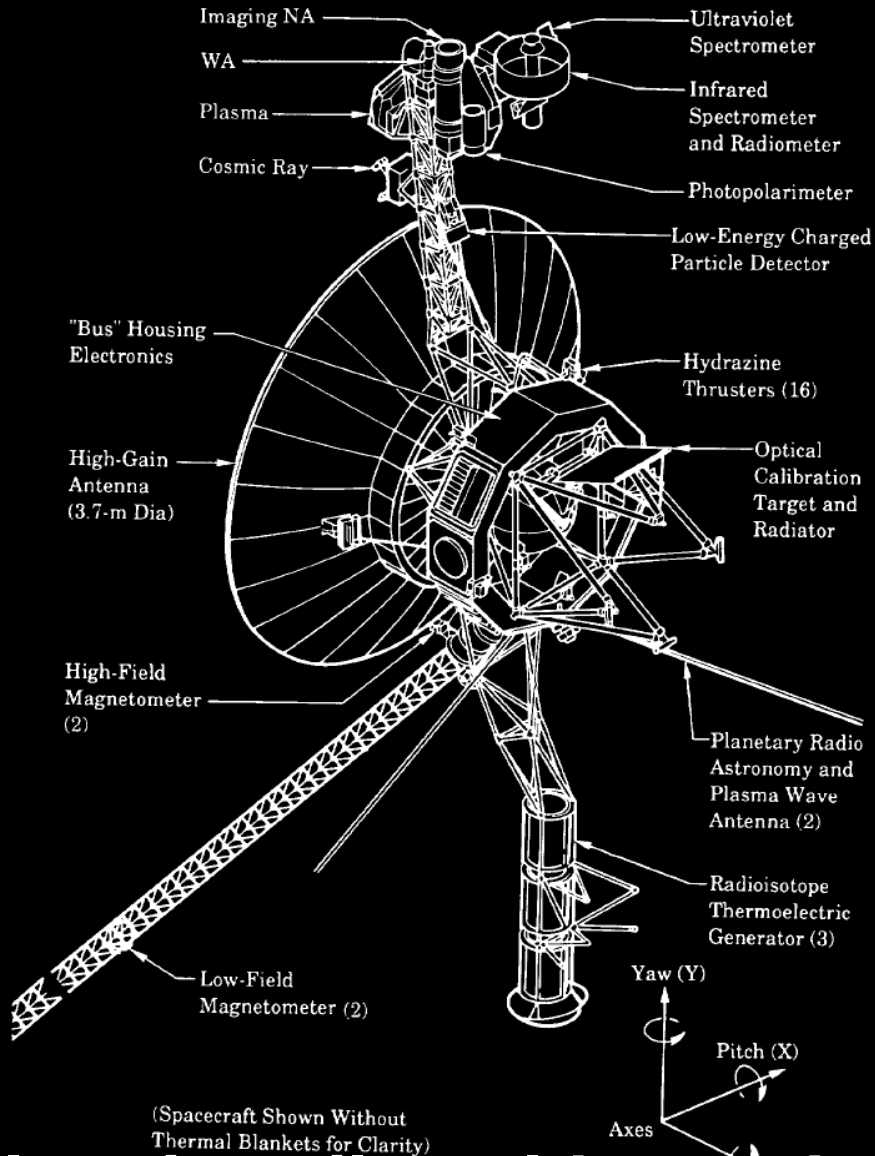




- Vettä asteroideilta
- Vedestä polttoainetta  $\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{H}_2 + \text{O}$
- Polttoaineen haku sähköpurjeella



# Still further ...



Voyagers were launched in 1977.

Voyager 1 is now over 100 AU from the Sun ...



**Electric sail could speed past the Voyagers in 8 years !!!**

Still further ... after some  $10^9$  years ...

The Sun as a red giant  
(diameter  $\approx 2$  AU)



The Sun as a main-sequence star  
(diameter  $\approx 0.01$  AU)

# Conclusions

- Mars is the sister planet of Earth and is hence extremely interesting object for exploration
- Mars is currently also a key science discipline in the field of planetary research, and is likely to stay in focus at least for the next decade.

■ INITIATIVE:  
Network Mission is badly needed → METNET !

- Exploration of outer solar system requires technological breakthroughs → ELECTRIC SAIL

■ INITIATIVE:  
Network ELECTRIC SAIL enables fast missions – even beyond Jupiter

- Valuable materials from asteroids, other planetary bodies
- Fast mission even out of Solar System ...

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