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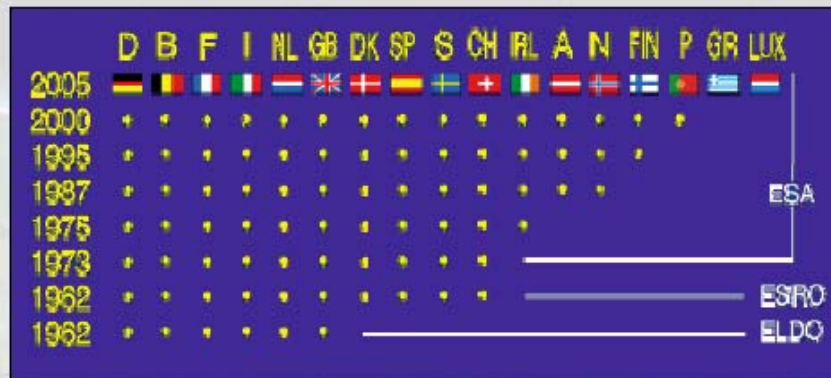
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 - THE BOTTOM LINE OF BONE REMODELLING: BONE BEHAVIOUR IN LAYMAN'S TERMS
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- BONE EXPERIMENTS – FOTON-M3 MISSION
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- **ΔΙΑΣΤΗΜΙΚΟΙ ΣΤΑΘΜΟΙ**
- **Salyut (1-7) (USSR)**
- **Skylab (USA)**
- **Spacelab (EUROPE, ESA)**
- **Mir (USSR, RUSSIAN FEDERATION)**
- **International Space Station (ISS; USA, RUSSIAN FEDERATION, ESA, CANADA, JAPAN)**

The International Space Station programme



Source: NASA

The International Space Station Partners

Canadian Space Agency



European Space Agency



Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency



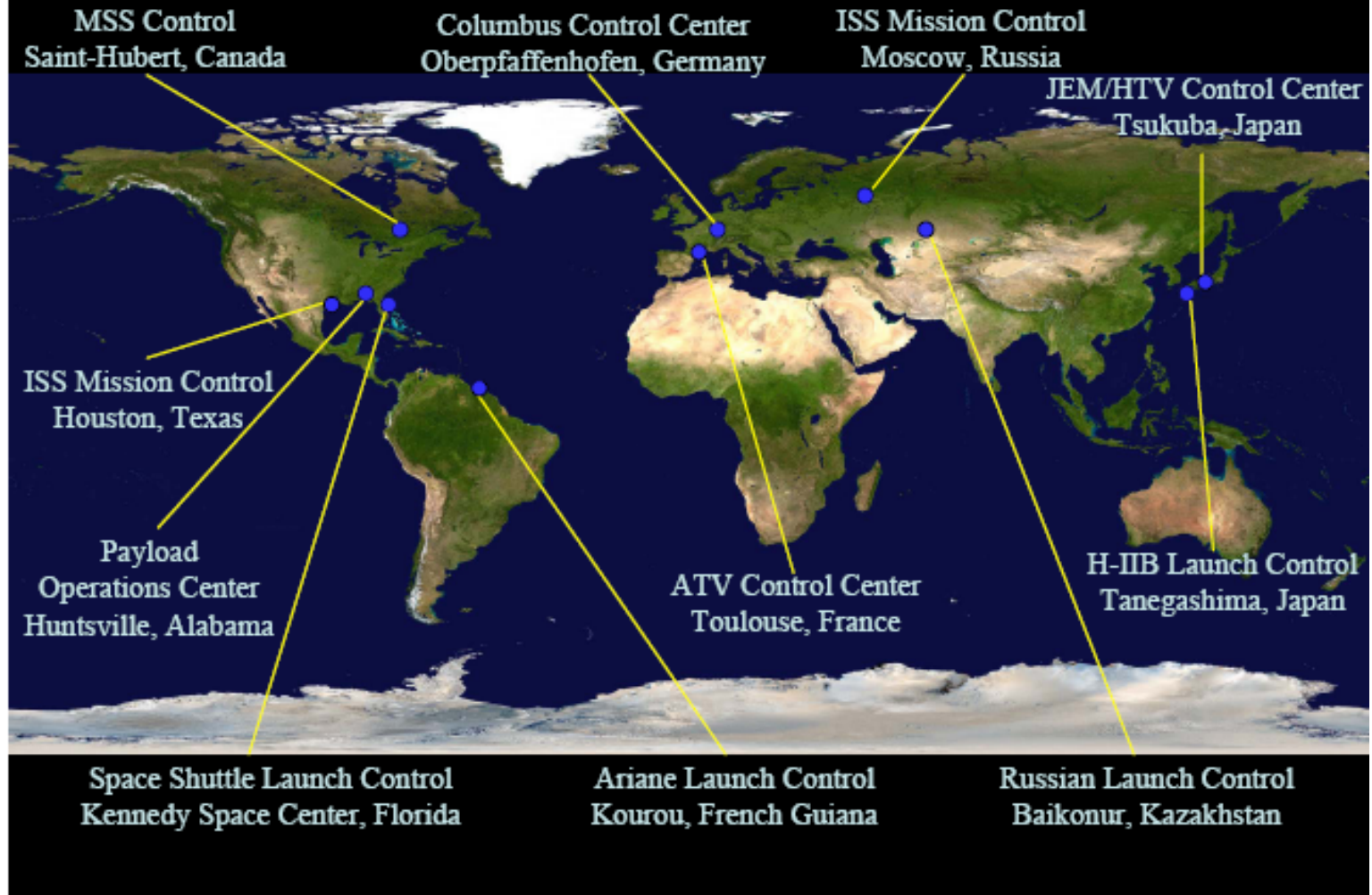
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ISS Operations Centers



European participation in the ISS



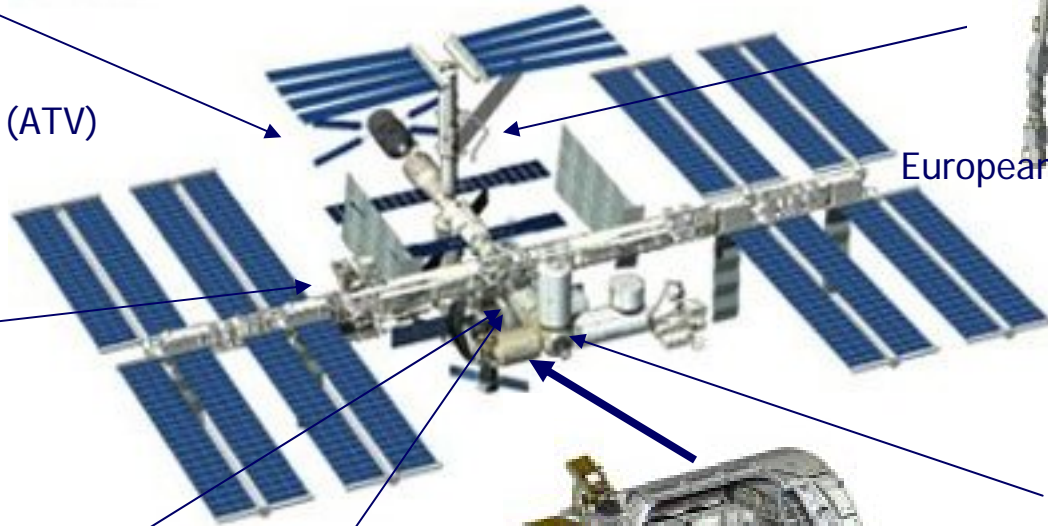
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European Robotic Arm (ERA)



DMS-R: ESA's Data Management System for the Russian Segment of the ISS



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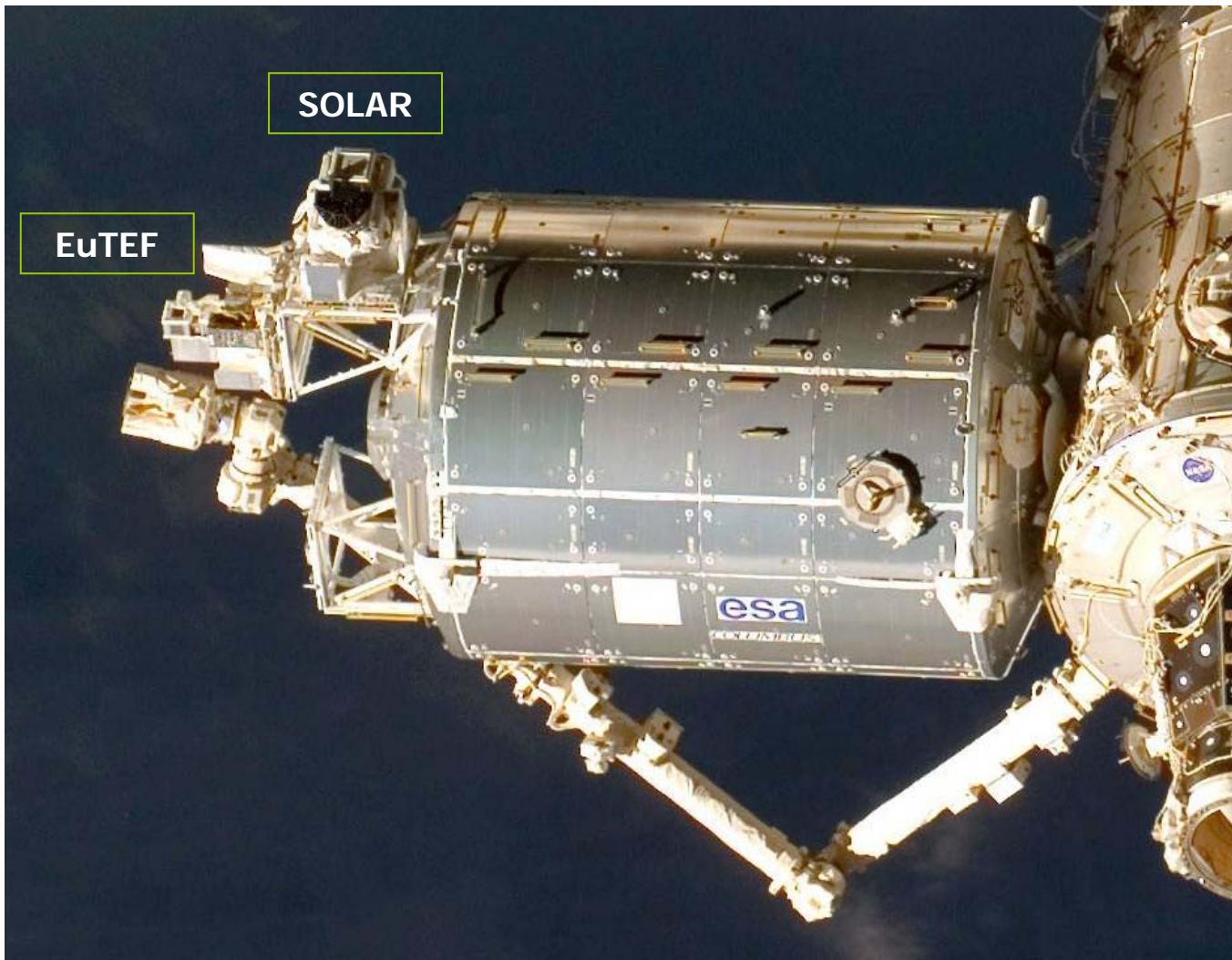


Columbus laboratory and its payload facilities



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Columbus External Payloads

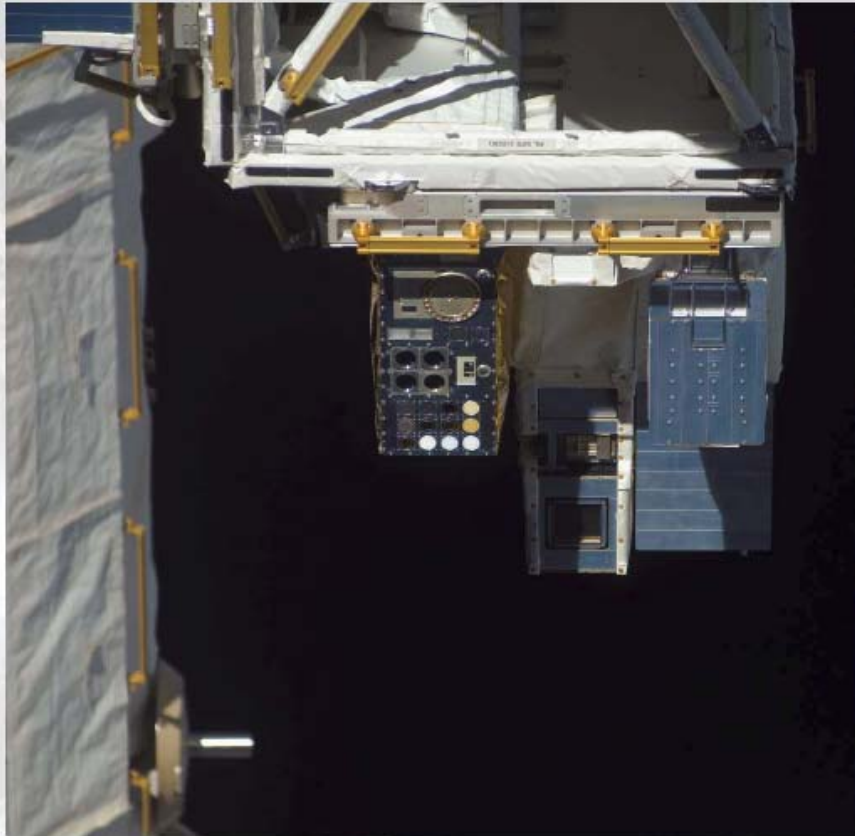




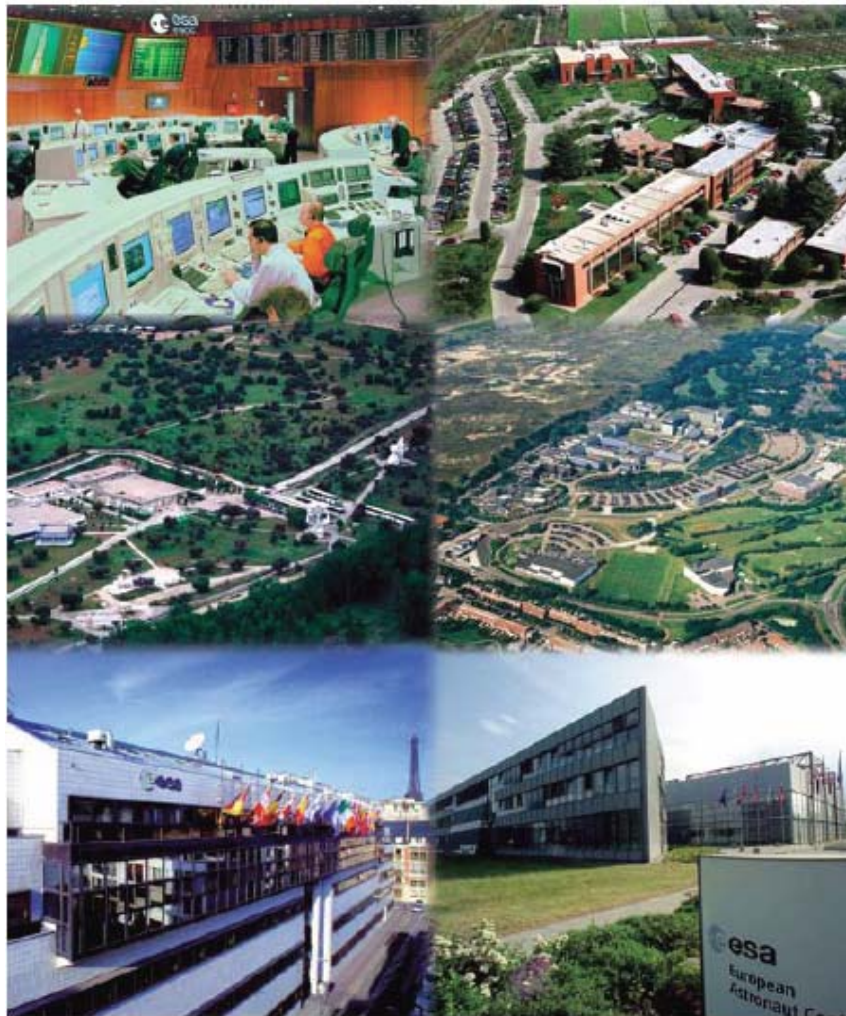
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EuTEF and SOLAR on EPF



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Some of ESA's sites in Europe. Top left, the Mission Control room at ESOC, Darmstadt, Germany. Top right, aerial view of ESIRN in Frascati, Italy. Middle left, ESAC near Madrid in Spain. Middle right, an aerial view of ESTEC in the Netherlands. Bottom left, ESA headquarters in Paris. Bottom right, EAC near Cologne, Germany.

- All member states participate in activities related to space science and in a common set of programmes: the mandatory programmes.
- In addition, members chose the level of participation in optional programmes :

- Earth observation
- Telecommunications
- Navigation
- Launcher development
- Manned space flight
- Microgravity research
- Exploration



Basic Principles: - approval by boards of national delegates
- geographical return of funds



Research cornerstones

Determined by European Science Foundation in 2005.

•Fundamental Physics

- Physics of Plasmas and solid or liquid dust particles
- Cold Atom Clocks, Matter Waves and Bose-Einstein Condensates

•Fluid, Interface and Combustion Physics

- Structure and dynamics of fluids and Multi-phase Systems
- Combustion

•Material sciences

- Thermophysical properties of Fluids for Advanced Processes
- Materials designed from Fluids

•Biology

- Molecular and Cell biology
- Plant Biology
- Developmental Biology

•Human Physiology

- Integrative gravitational physiology
- Non-gravitational physiology of spaceflight
- Countermeasures

•Planetary Exploration

- Origin, Evolution and Distribution of life
- Preparation of Human Planetary Exploration



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European Life and Physical Sciences
in Space



Research and applications from the Space
Station to future Human Exploration.



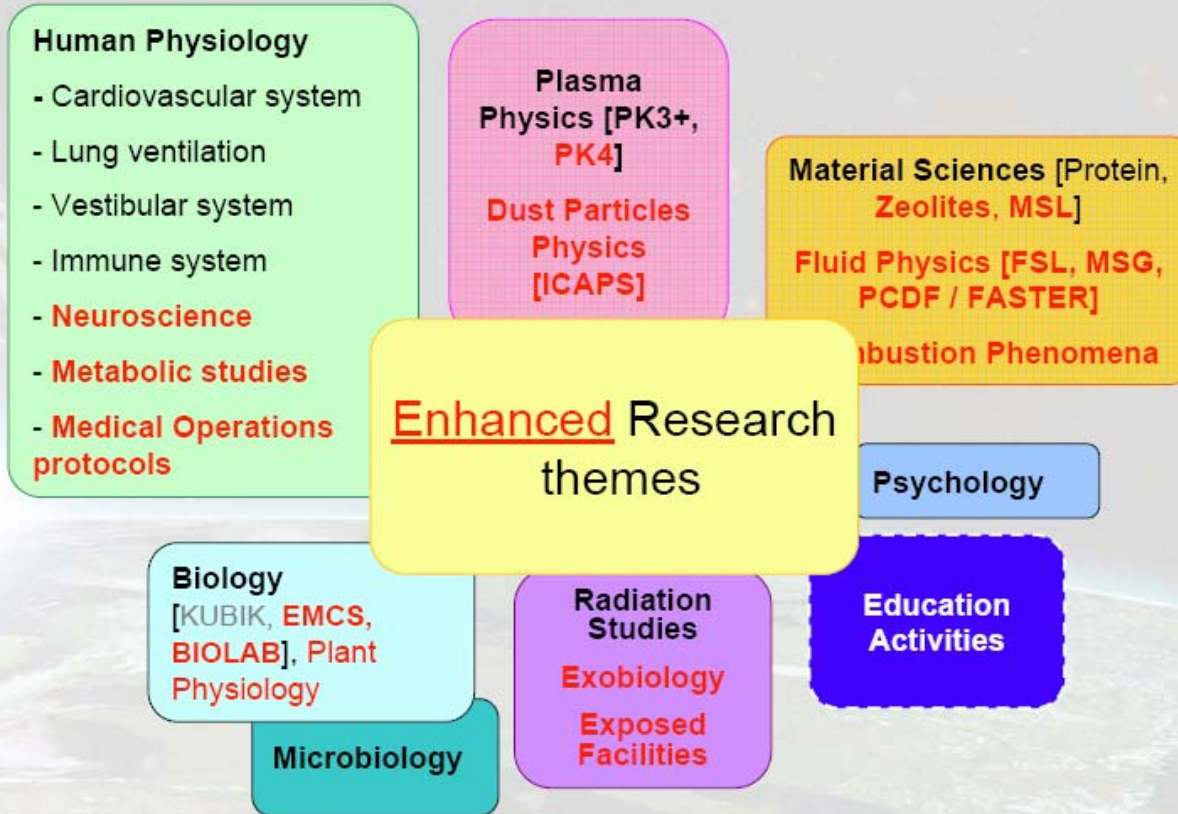
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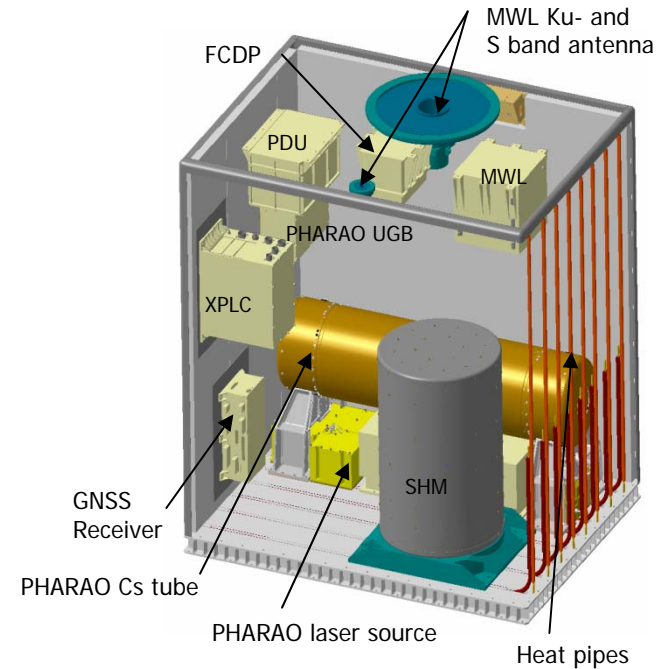
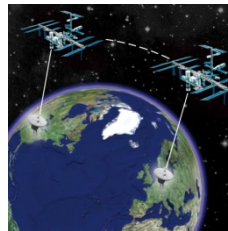
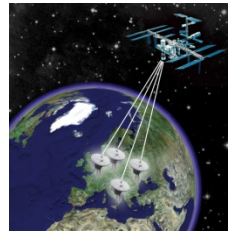
ELIPS-3 Information Day, 23 September 2008, Thessaloniki, Greece



... significantly enhanced ISS research capabilities given by Columbus



Columbus Future External Payload Facilities: ACES - Atomic Clock Ensemble in Space



- Performs fundamental physics experiments based on performances derived from its cold atoms Caesium clock and its Space Hydrogen Maser. The clock signal is sent to ground using a dedicated microwave link.
- Allows comparison of clocks with a precision of 10^{-16} and a stability of 10^{-16} /day
- Used for test of relativity theory, search for variation of the fundamental constants, relativistic geodesy, etc..
- Estimated mass : 350 Kg

European Transportation

Advanced Re-entry Vehicle -ARV-

- General objectives:
 - Step 1: cargo transportation to and from ISS by 2015
 - Step 2: crew transportation to and from Low Earth Orbit by 2020
- Activities for the period 2009-2010
 - Phase A of cargo transportation
 - Preliminary definition of Ariane 5 modification for human transportation





Overview of relevant aspects for Human flights

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Medicine:

- Gravity related health issues (e.g., bone and muscle mass loss, cardiovascular deconditioning, immune system)
- General health issues (e.g., related to long-term isolation and confinement)
- Development of countermeasures

Psychology:

- Basic issues of environmental engineering, incl. habitat design, scheduling of work...
- Specific psychological measures, e.g. crew selection/composition, pre-flight psychological training...

Radiation:

- Risk assessment (incl. radiobiology, effects of heavy ions)
- Surveillance (e.g. Dosimetry)
- Countermeasures (e.g., radiation shielding, active passive)

Life Support Systems (LSS):

- Determine efficiency of physico-chemical/ biological LSS in closed habitats
- Environmental Monitoring



European ISS Research Facilities

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- **ISS-Columbus**

- **Rack Facilities:**

- Biolab
 - European Physiology Modules with CDL, MEEMM, PK-4
 - Fluid Science Lab with FSL-ECx
 - European Drawer Rack with PCDF, KUBIK, FASTER, EML
 - Microgravity Science Glovebox with Inserts
 - European Modular Cultivation System (in EXPRESS rack)
 - Human Research Facility -1
 - Human Research Facility -2 with PFS
 - HRF-MARES
 - FlyWheel Exercise Device

- **External Payload Facilities:**

- EuTEF with 9 instruments
 - SOLAR with 3 instruments

- **ISS-Destiny**

- **Rack Facilities:**

- Material Science Lab with SCA
 - Portable Pulmonary Function System
 - MELFI



Biolab, which supports experiments on micro-organisms, cell and tissue culture, and even small plants and animals;

FSL, looking into the complex behaviour of fluids, which could lead to improvements in energy production, propulsion efficiency and environmental issues;

The European Physiology Modules facility, which supports human physiology experiments concerning body functions such as bone loss, circulation, respiration, organ and immune system behaviour in weightlessness; and

The European Drawer Rack, which provides a flexible experiment carrier for a large variety of scientific disciplines.

- **EUROPEAN SCIENCE ANT RESEARCH FACILITIES**
- (inside “Columbus”)
- Biolab and WAICO experiment
- Fluid Science Laboratory and Geoflow experiment
- European Drawer Rack including the Protein Crystallisation Diagnostics Facility
- European Physiology Modules and NeuroSpat experiment
- SOLO experiment
- 3D-Space experiment
- Flywheel Exercise Device
- Pulmonary Function System in Human Research Facility 2
- European Modular Cultivation System
- Microgravity Science Glovebox
- **EUROPEAN SCIENCE ANT RESEARCH FACILITIES**
- (outside “Columbus”)
- EuTEF
- SOLAR



Some achievements

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- **Fundamental research:**

- Gravity sensing mechanisms in plants and mammalian cells
- Atypical development of vestibulo-ocular reflexes in amphibian embryos
- Role of sodium uptake, caloric uptake and food supplements
- New phenomena in cardiovascular research
- Large density fluctuations in diffusion under microgravity
- Importance of contact dynamics in clustering of granular material
- Description of phase transitions in complex plasma's

- **Applied research:**

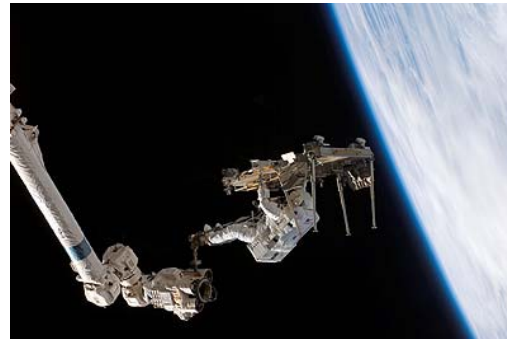
- Development of advanced intermetallics for manufacturing lightweight turbine blades
- Better understanding of heat-transfer and fluid storage for space applications
- Patent on the use of NO as diagnostic for lung embolism and related diseases
- Development of advanced biotechnological and biomedical diagnostics of bone

- **Exploration related research:**

- Research into biological effects of space radiation
- Survival of multi-cellular organisms in space (Lichen)
- First studies on crew health, psychological effects in isolated, hazardous environment (Concordia, Mars-500)
- Topical Team initiated on Mg-based alloys for Mars rovers

European Astronauts

- ESA has an Astronaut Corps of 8 Astronauts from Germany, France, Italy, Belgium, Netherlands, Sweden
- 13 European Astronauts have flown to the ISS so far



European Astronauts

- A new astronaut selection process opened in May 2008
- More than 8000 applications were received from all over Europe
- 4 candidates shall be selected by May 2009





The Right Stuff around 1870

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(Norwegian Royal Navy)

Single men, perfect health, considerable strength, perfect temperance, cheerfulness, ability to read and write English, prime seamen of course. Norwegians, Swedes and Danes preferred. Avoid English, Scottish and Irish. Refuse point blank French, Italian and Spaniards

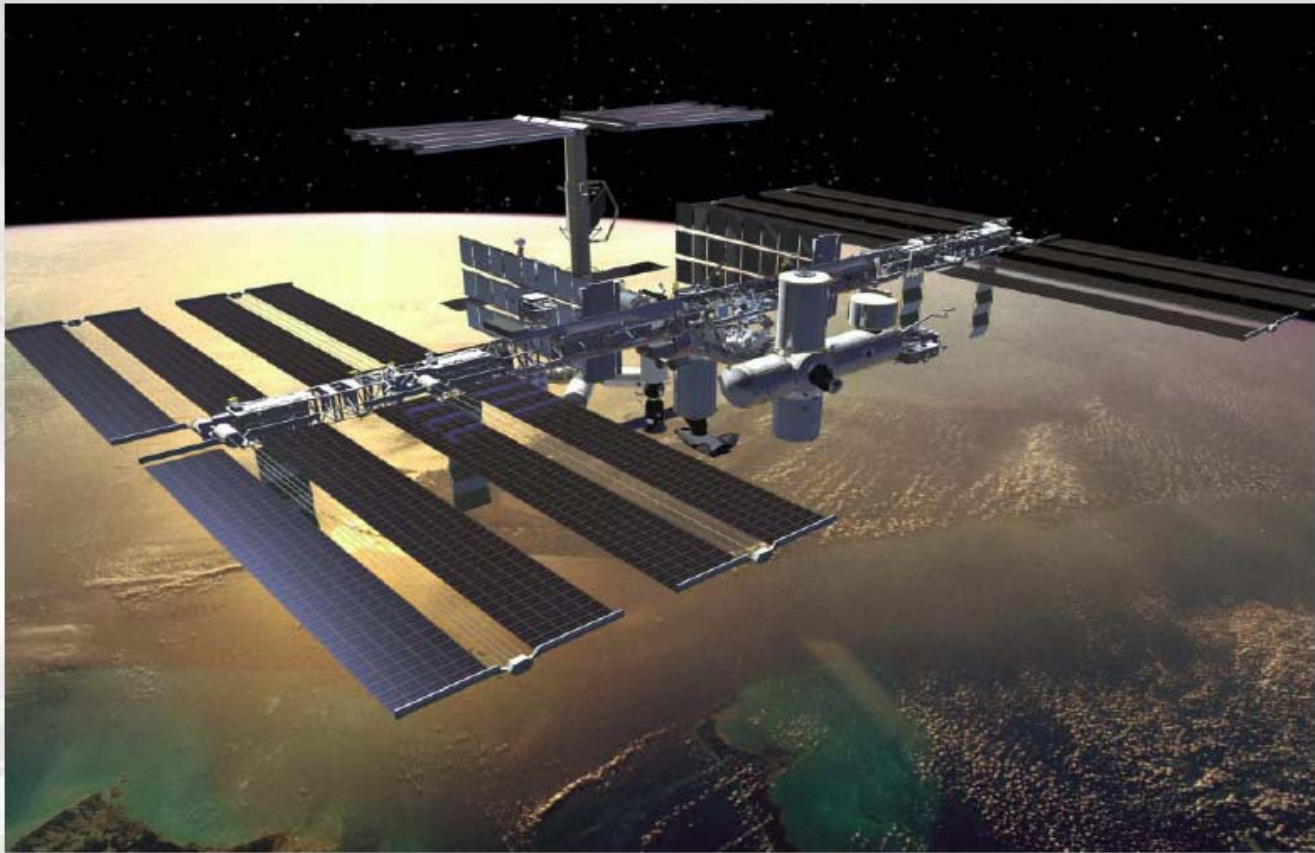
*“Your neuro-
vestibular,
cardio-vascular,
and musculo-
skeletal systems
can’t support
you anymore.”*





The International Space Station (ISS)

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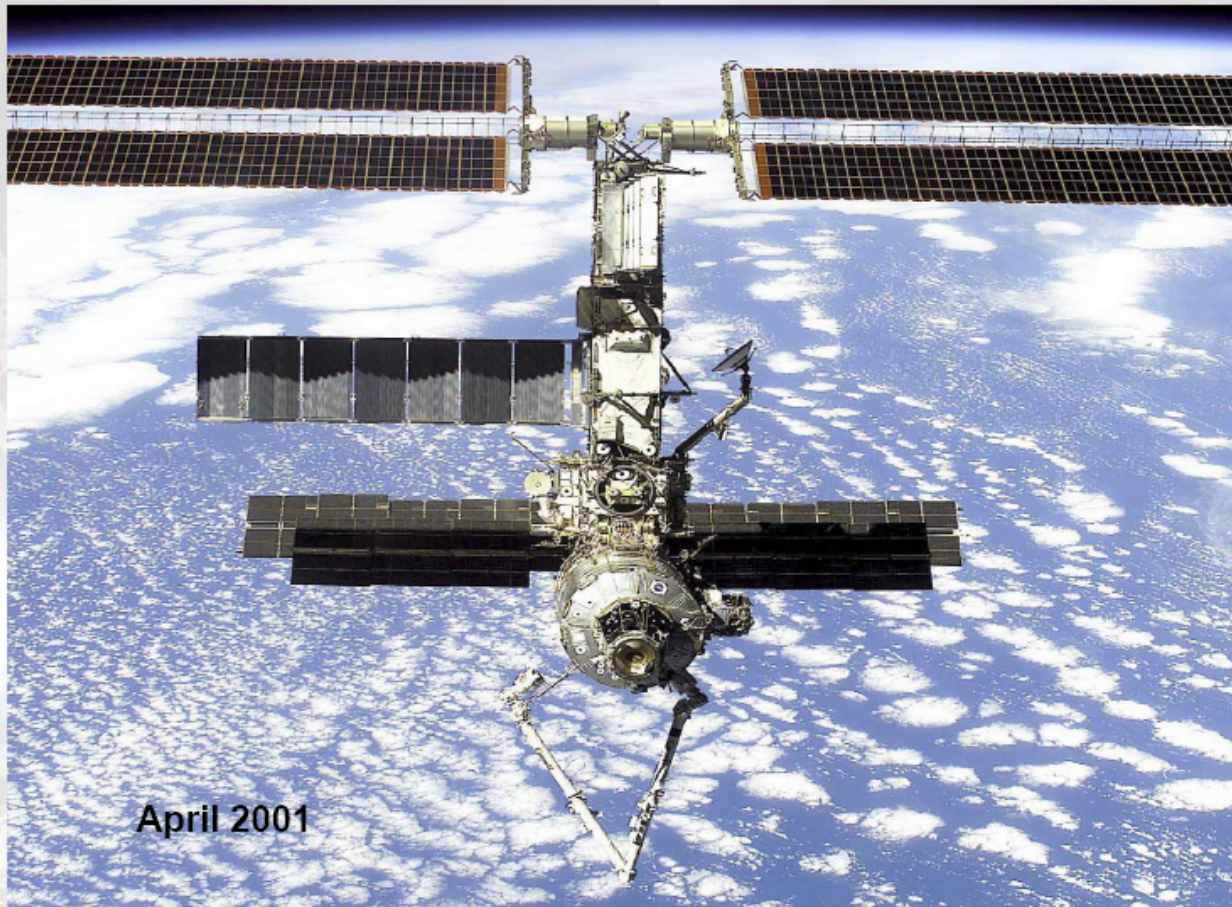
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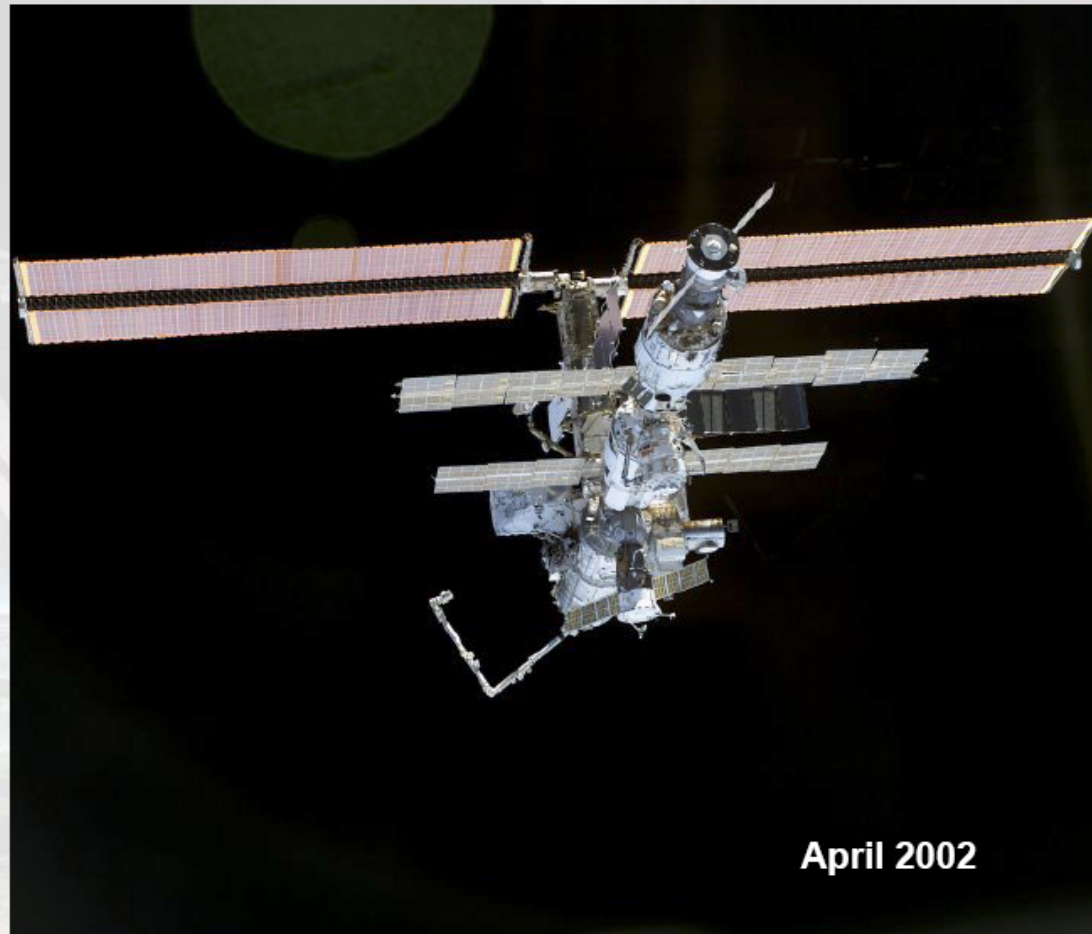


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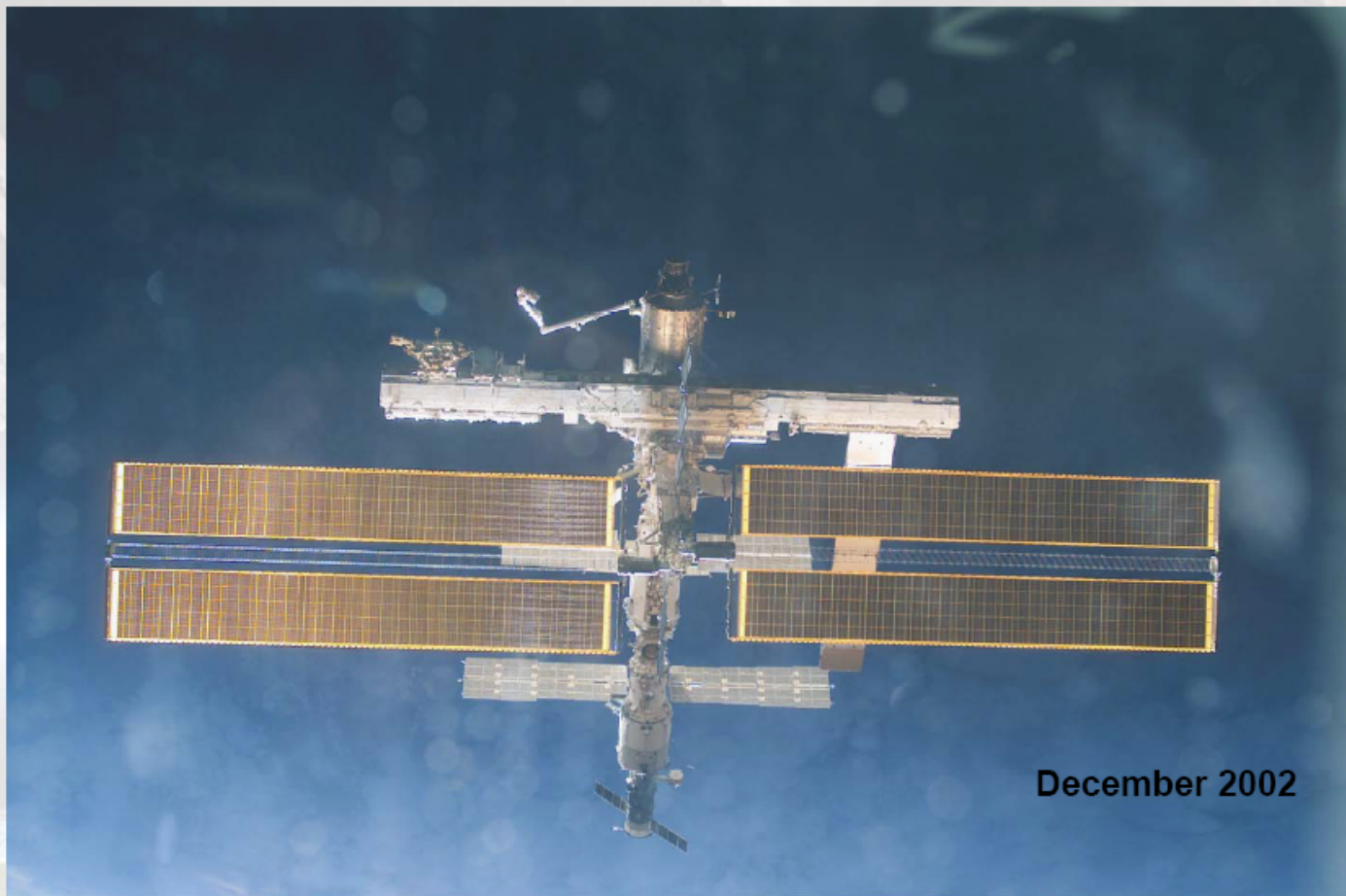
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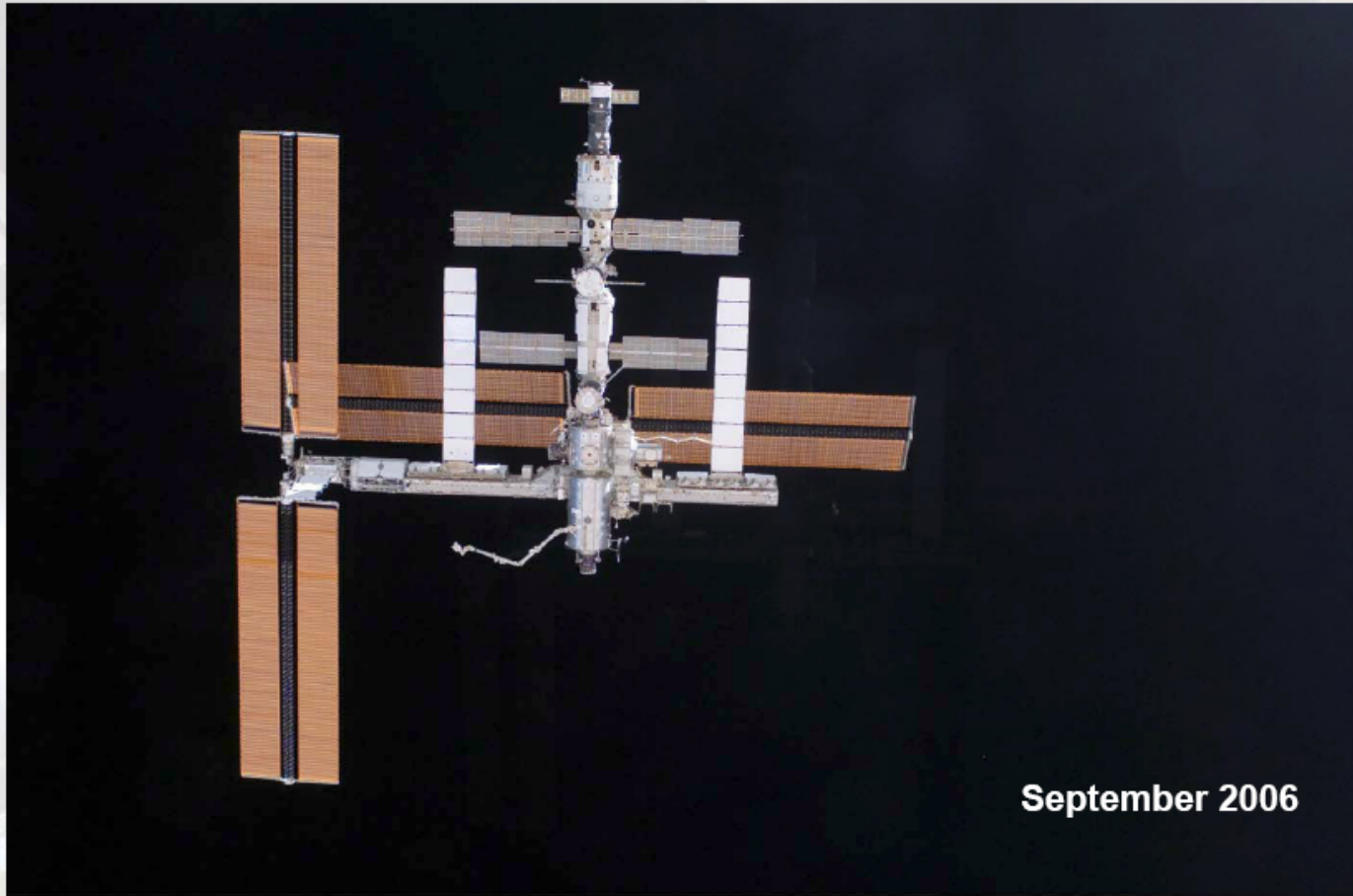
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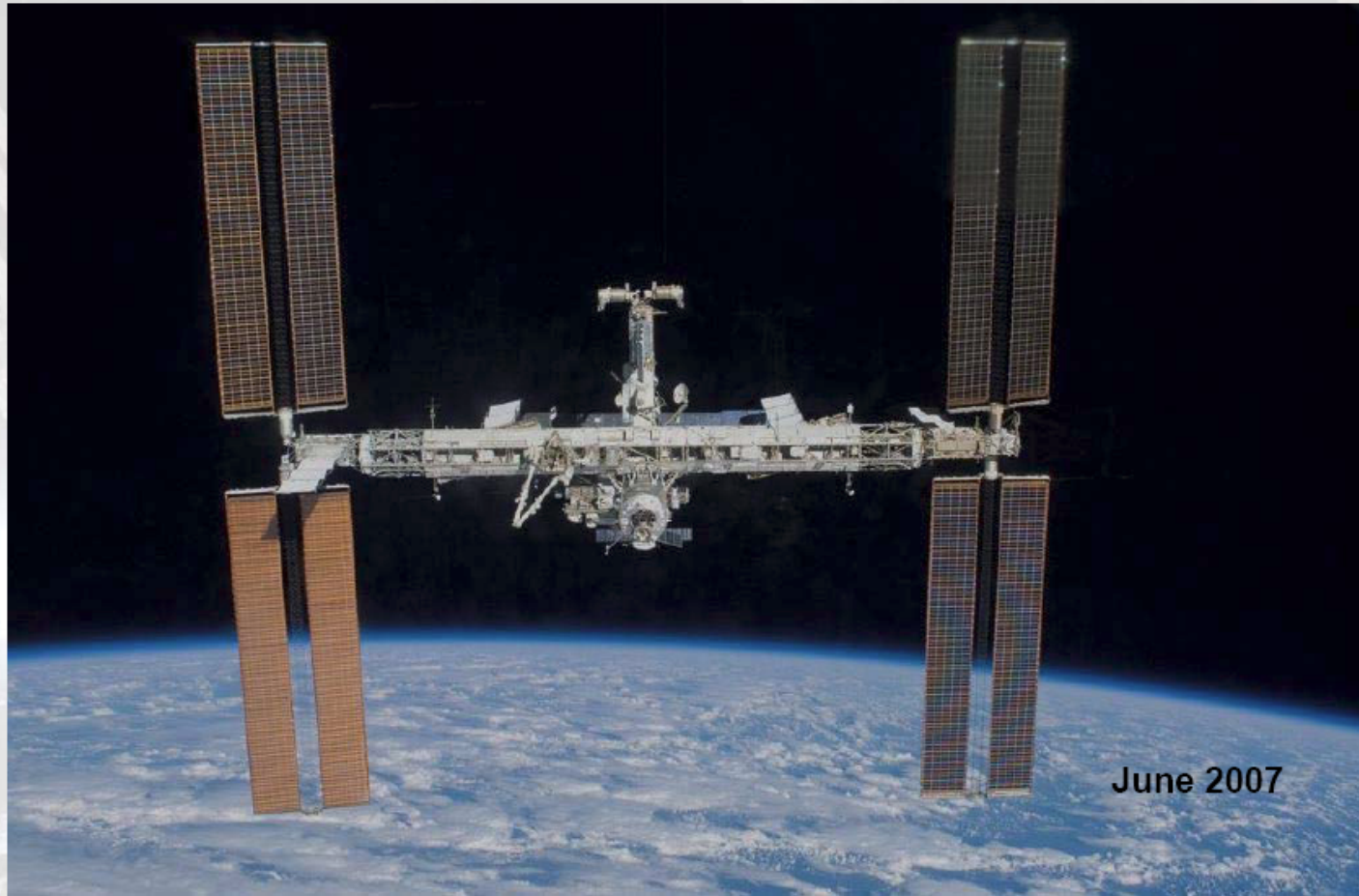


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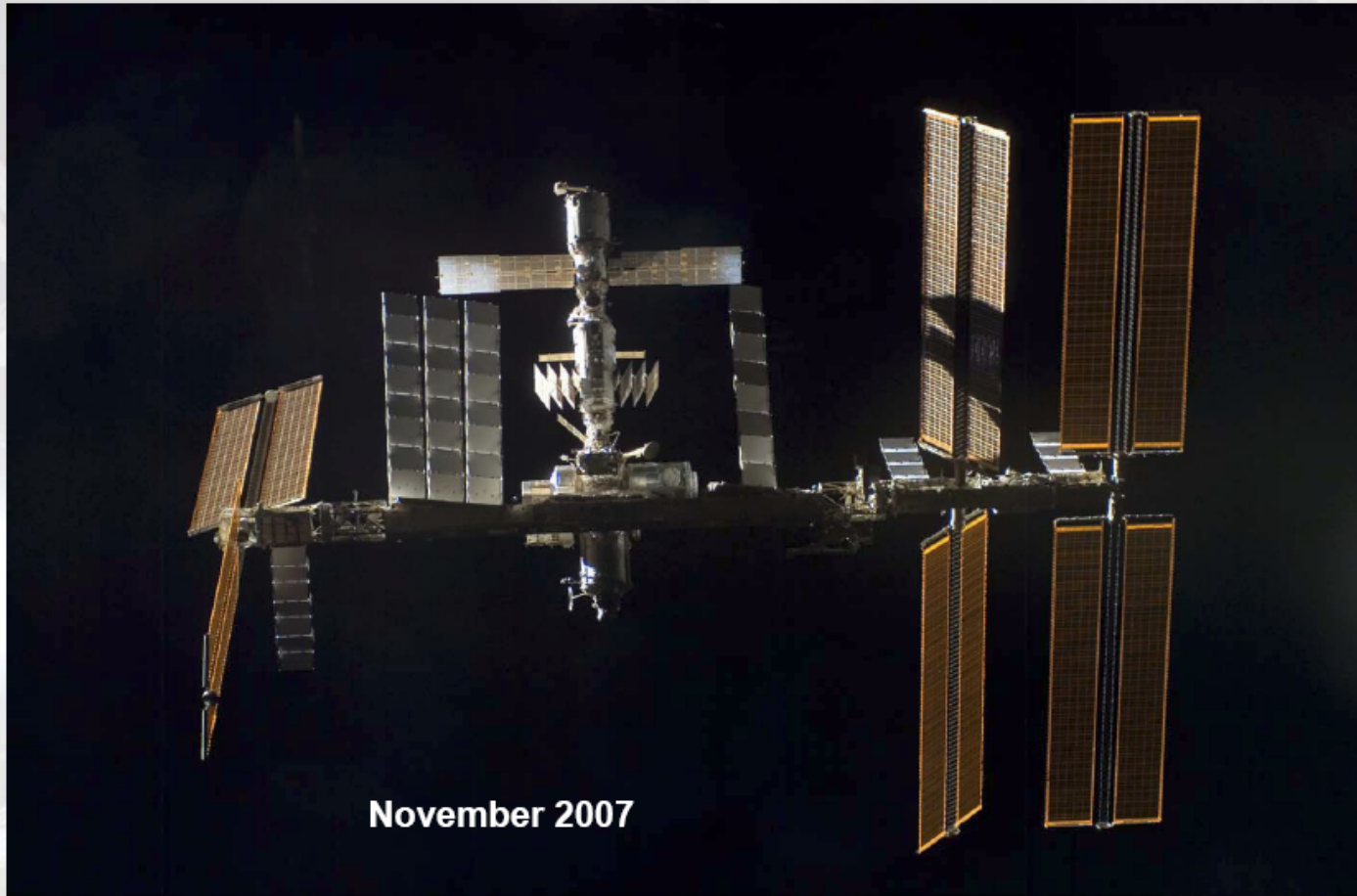


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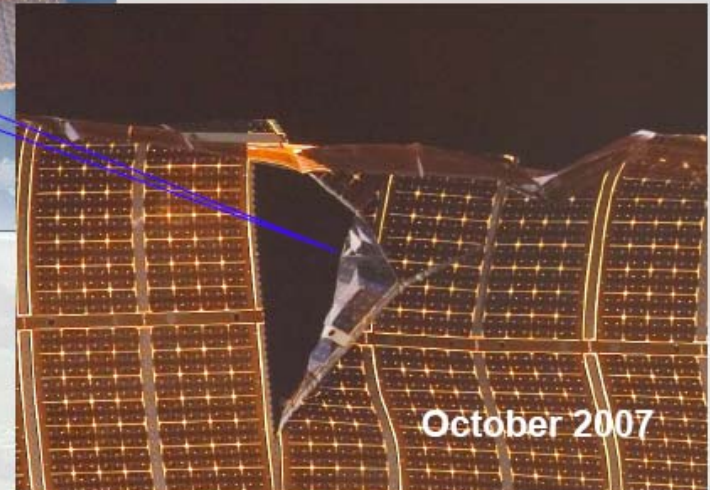
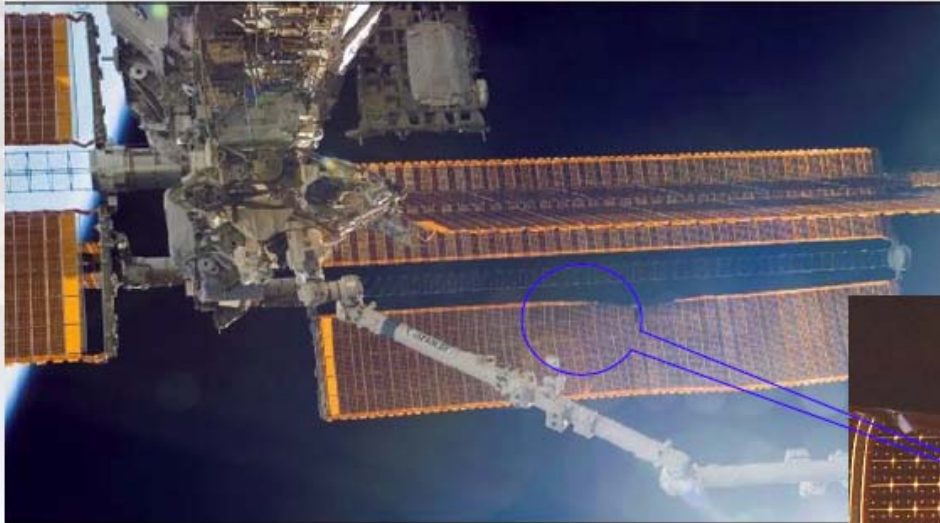
Solar array troubles

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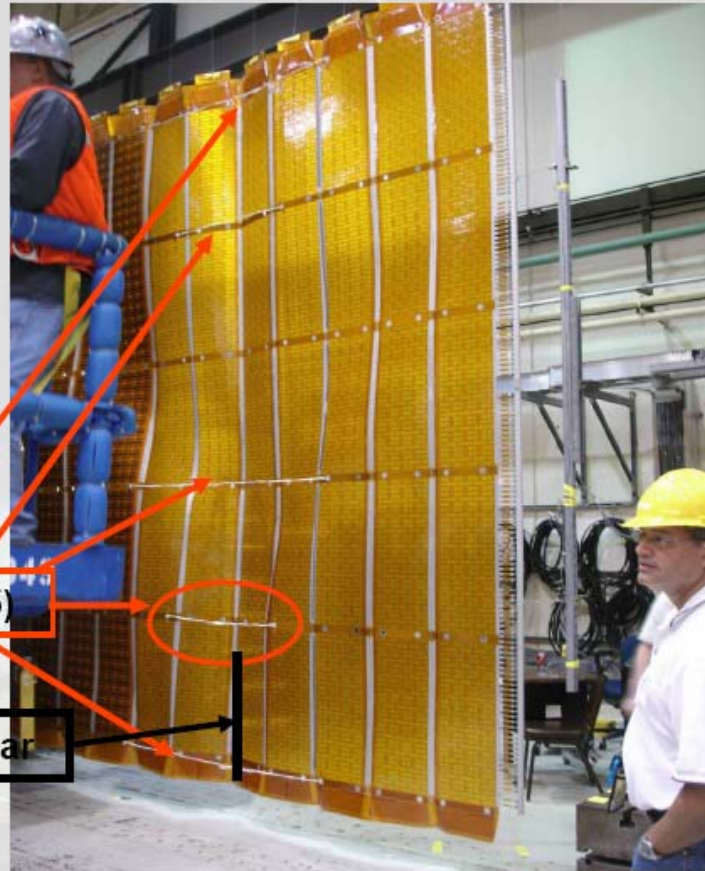
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P6 array blanket damage



October 2007

“Cufflinks” repair straps to give structural strength to torn array



Cufflinks (5)

Main Tear



EVA Repair access to torn P6 blanket

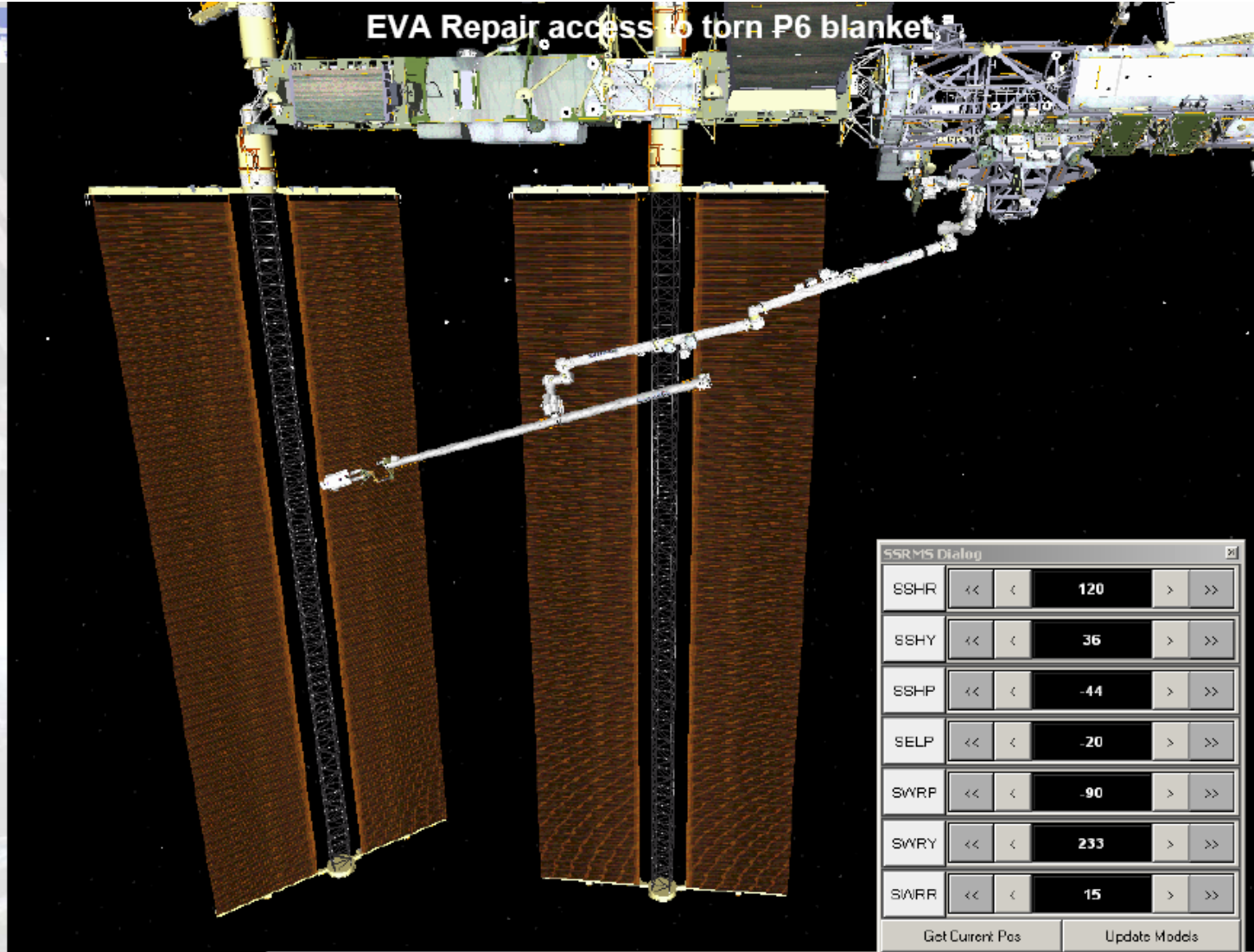
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EVA Repair access to torn P6 blanket

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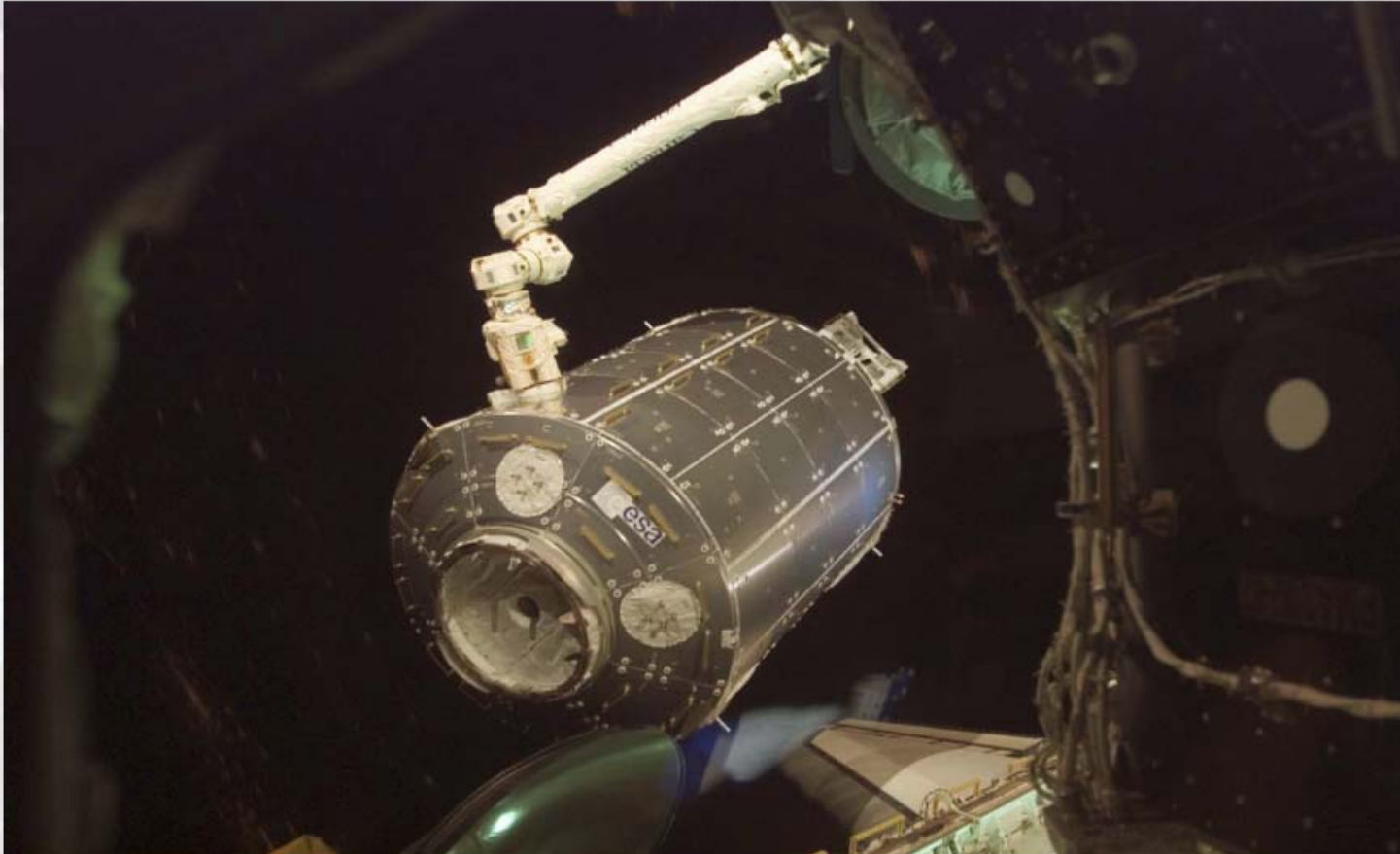




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Docking (110208)



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Attached to ISS



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Facilities Set-up and first Utilisation



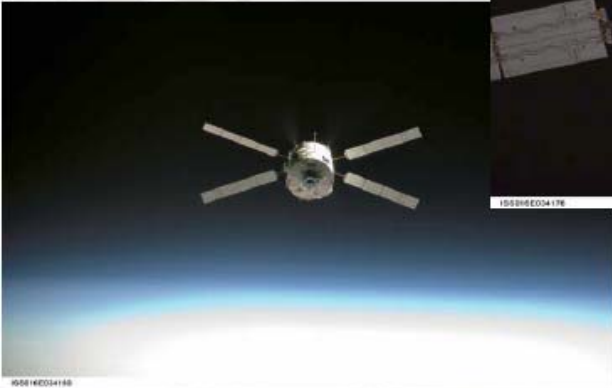
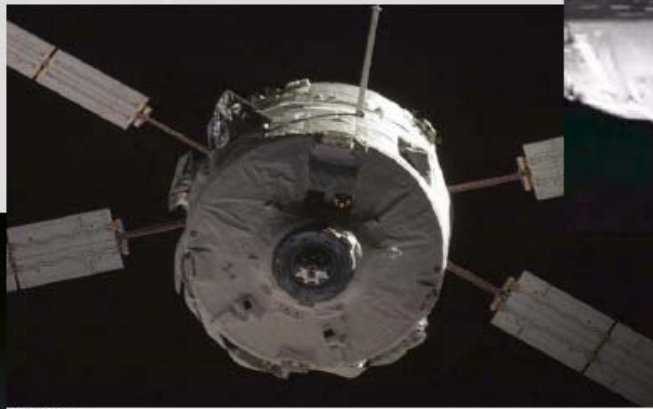
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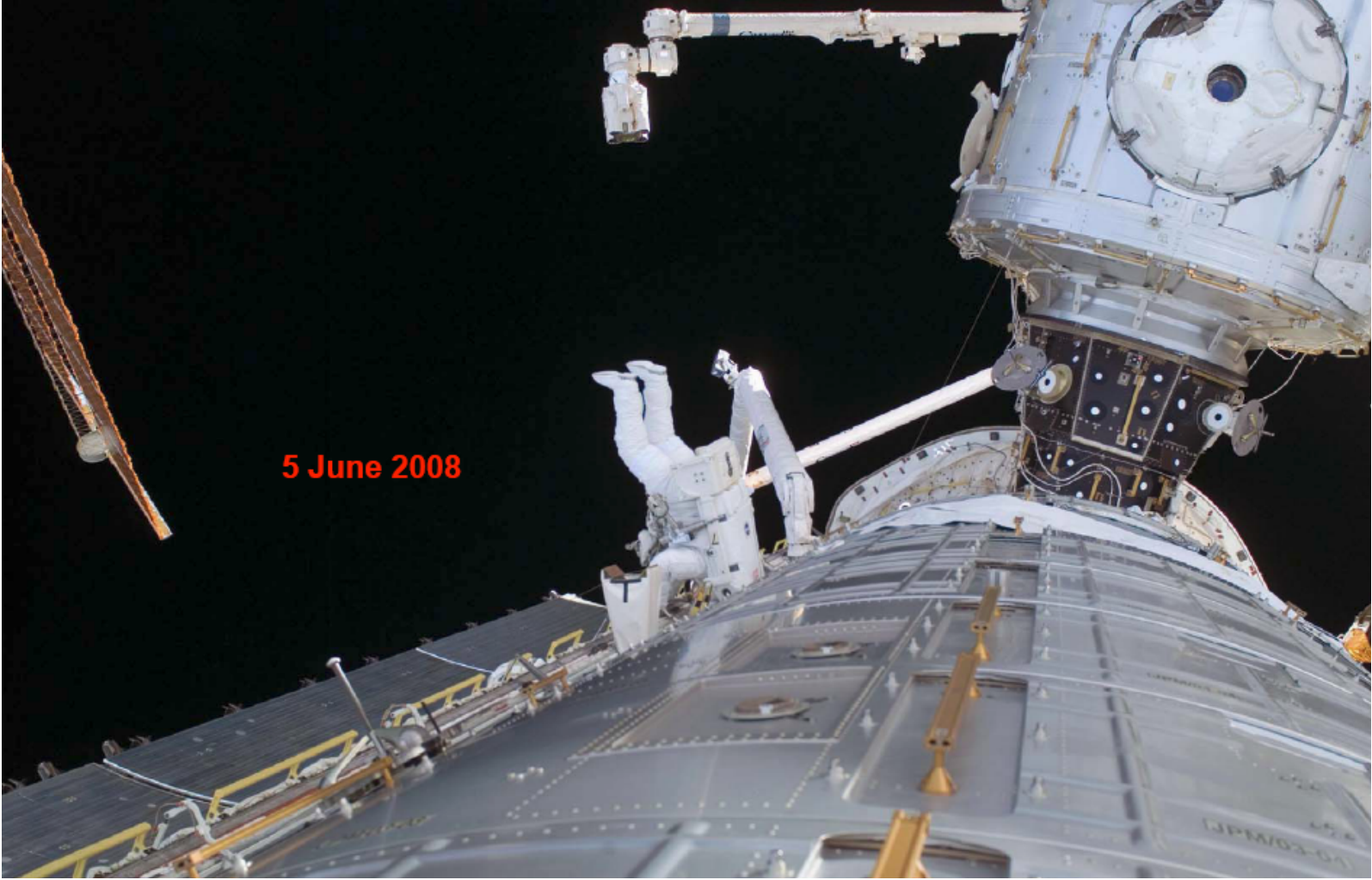
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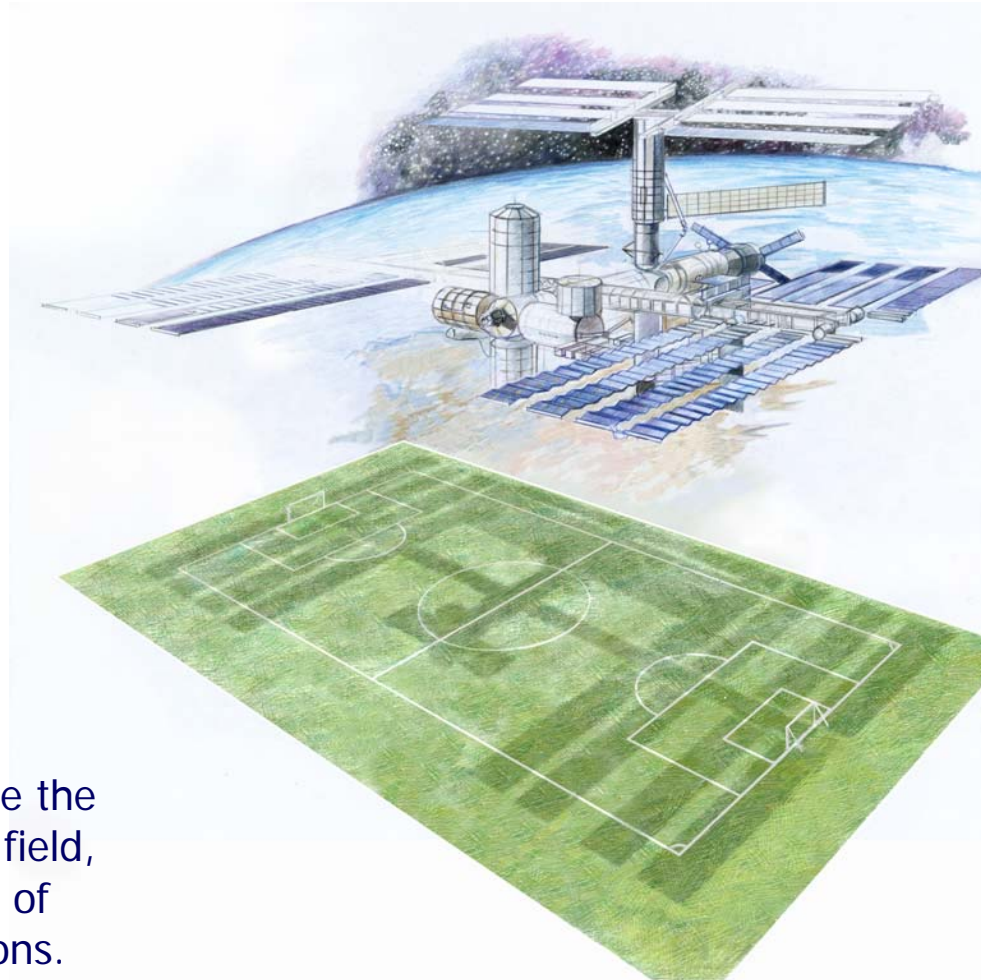
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5 June 2008

The International Space Station programme



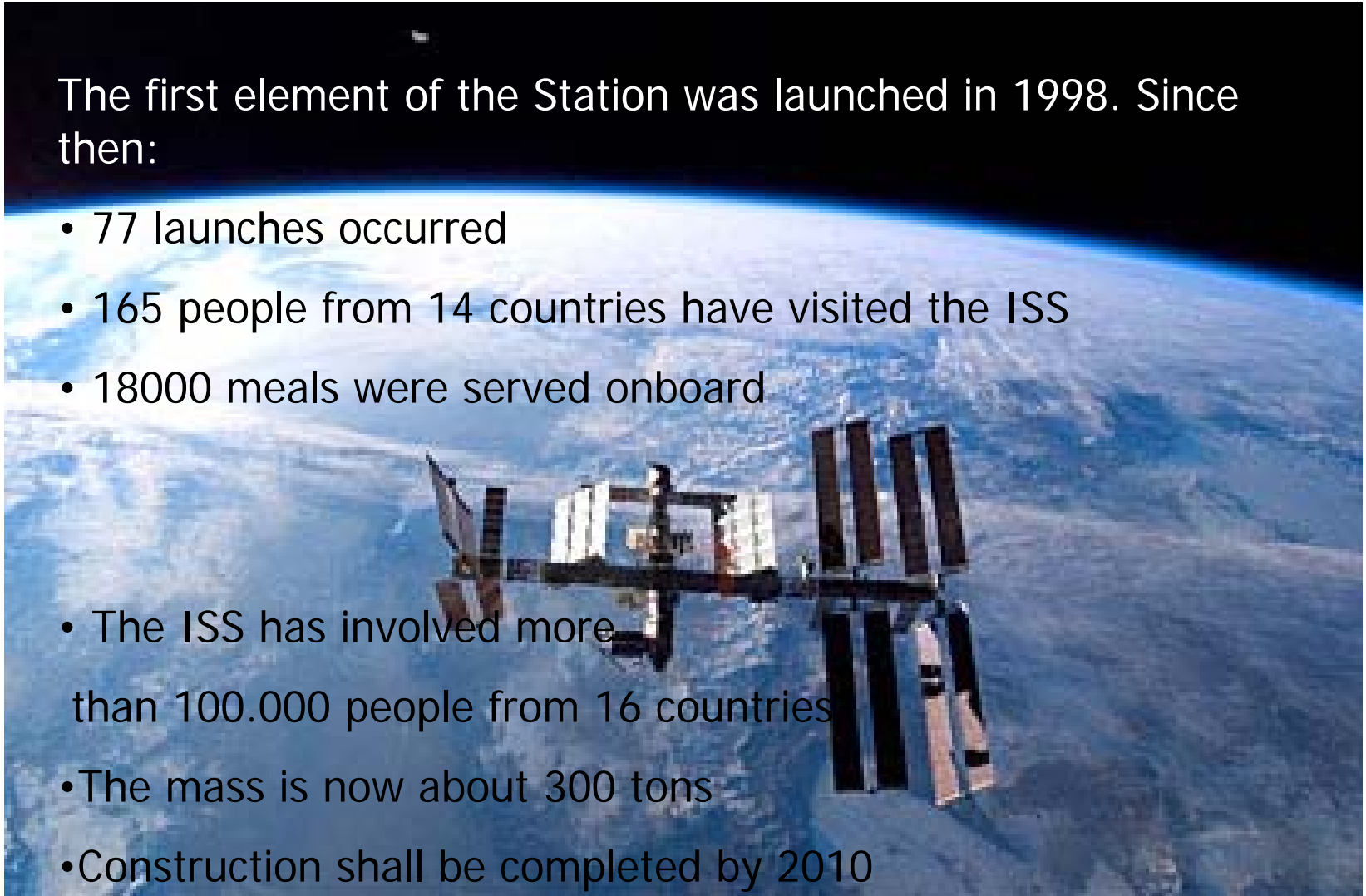
The ISS, once completed, will be the size of a football field, and have a mass of more than 400 tons.

The International Space Station programme

The first element of the Station was launched in 1998. Since then:

- 77 launches occurred
- 165 people from 14 countries have visited the ISS
- 18000 meals were served onboard

- The ISS has involved more than 100.000 people from 16 countries
- The mass is now about 300 tons
- Construction shall be completed by 2010



Conclusion

- Europe has demonstrated its capability as a global space player in Human Spaceflight, similar to that of US and Russia, with the results achieved in the frame of its participation in the ISS programme
- European scientific and technological community shall make the best use of the capabilities offered to them by the Columbus Laboratory with its Payload Facilities
- Human space exploration is very challenging and ESA for its next projects needs all the skills it can gather in Europe
- **Greece has a unique opportunity to participate in the Human Spaceflight Programme with industries and scientific institutes, thus helping to shape the common European future in space**



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European long-term research has started in Columbus ...

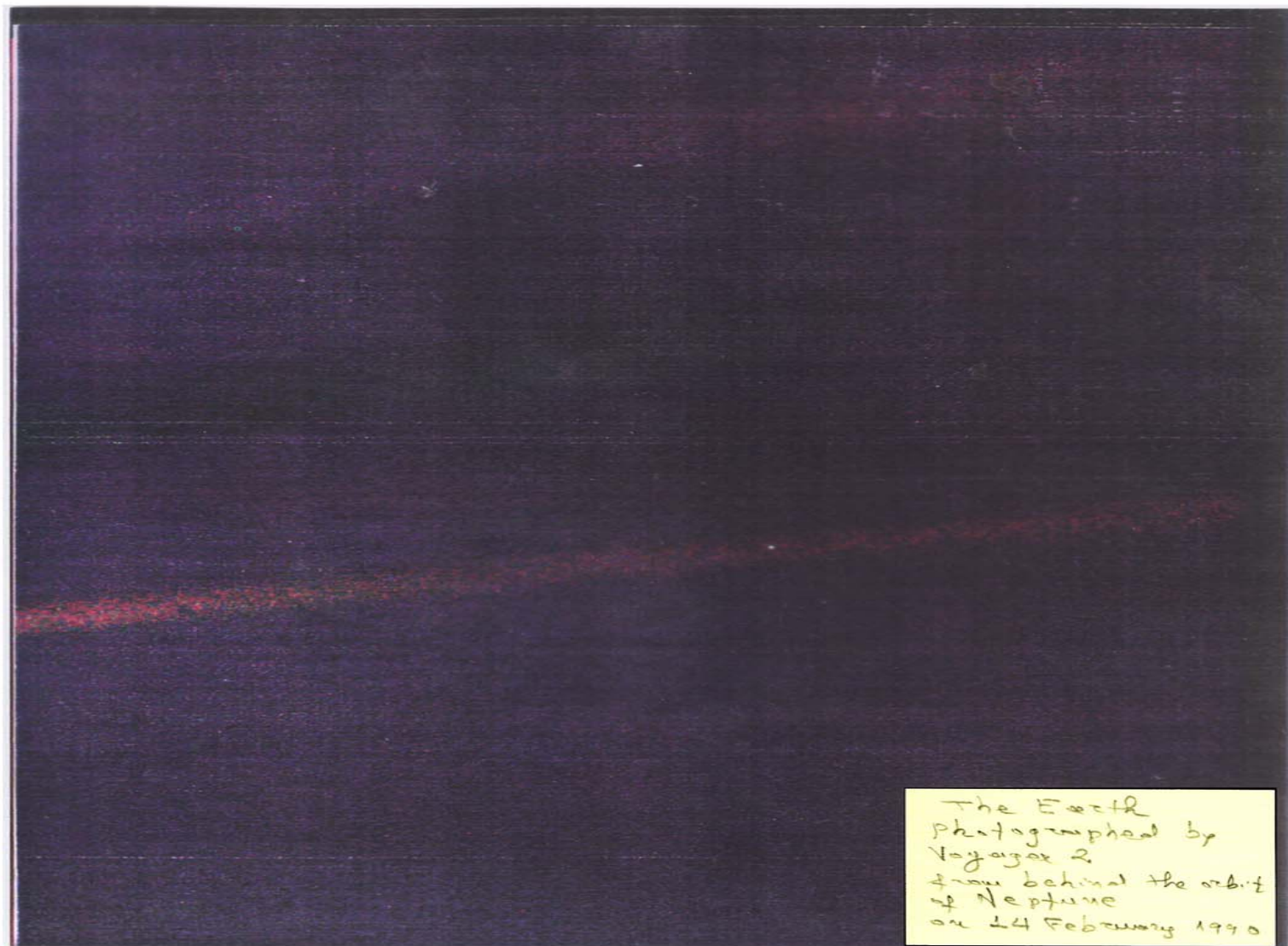








The whole Earth photographed
on the *Apollo 17* mission.
Courtesy NASA.



The Earth
photographed by
Voyager 2
from behind the orbit
of Neptune
on 14 February 1990





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