



Deep Space Programs Overview

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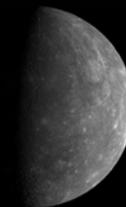
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Topics

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- Mars Exploration
- Outer Planet Exploration
- How to contact us

Our Solar System: Forty Years of Exploration



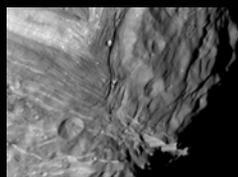
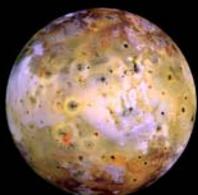
Asteroids



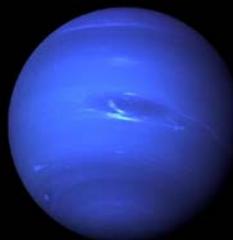
Terrestrial Planets



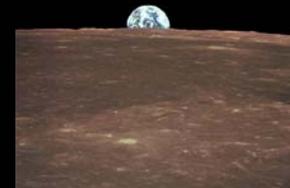
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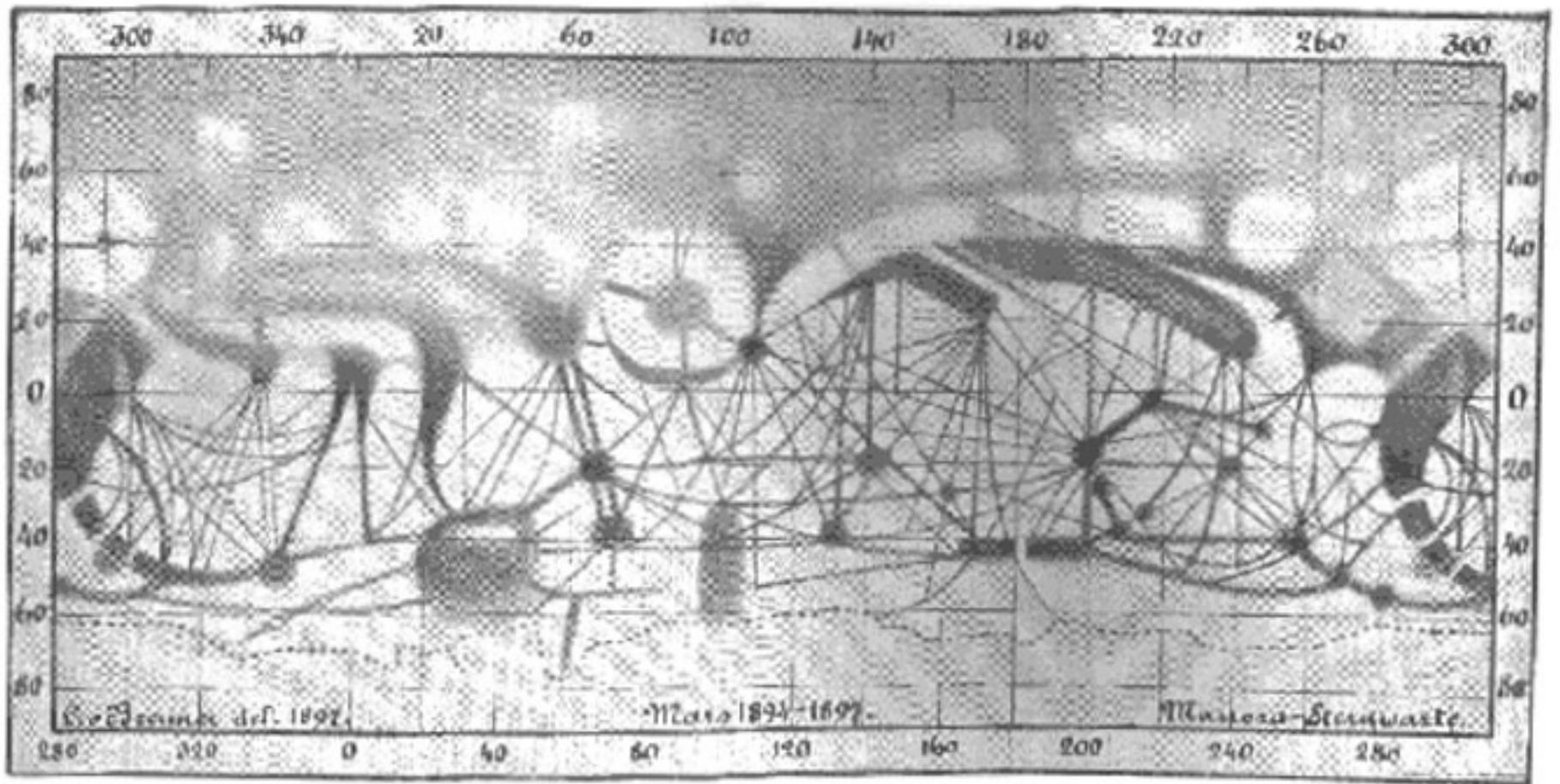
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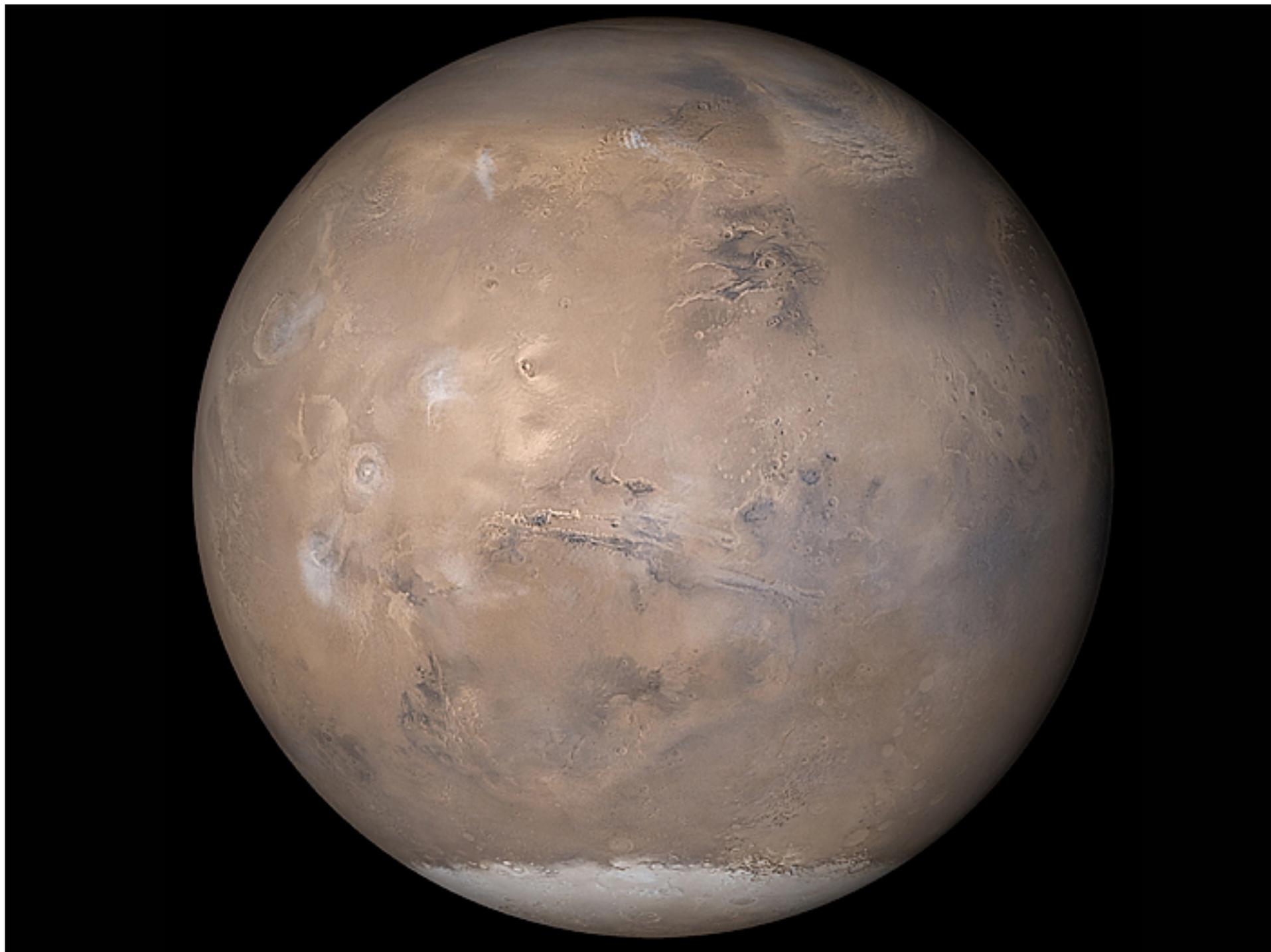
Giant Planets



The Moon

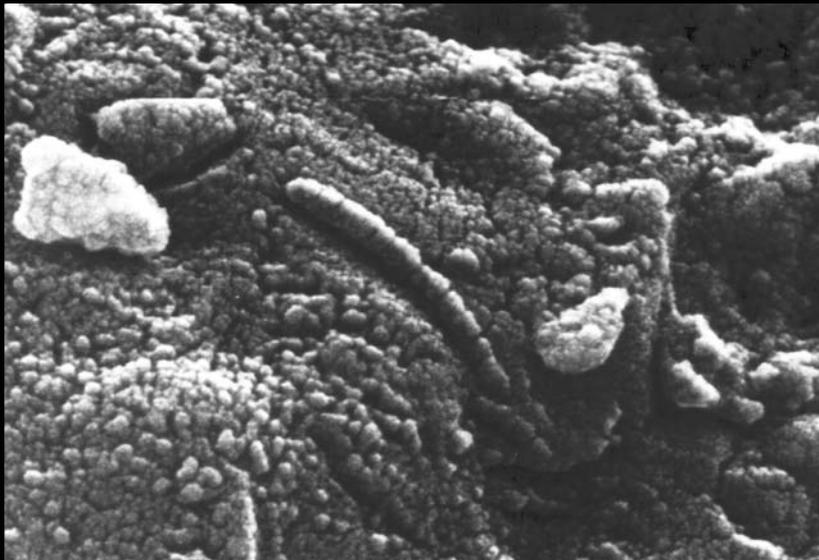
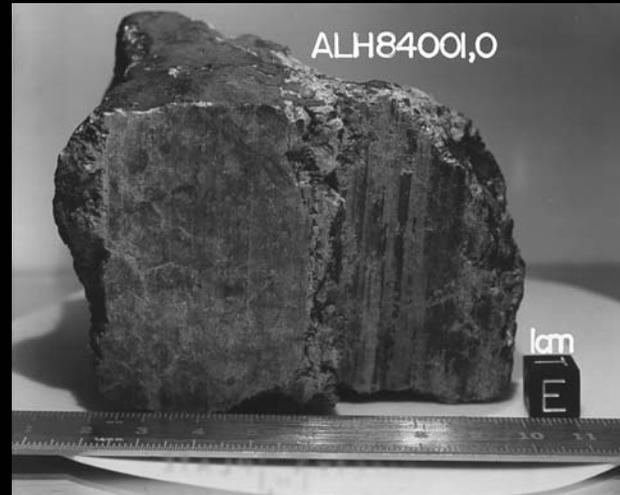


Mars Exploration 1900

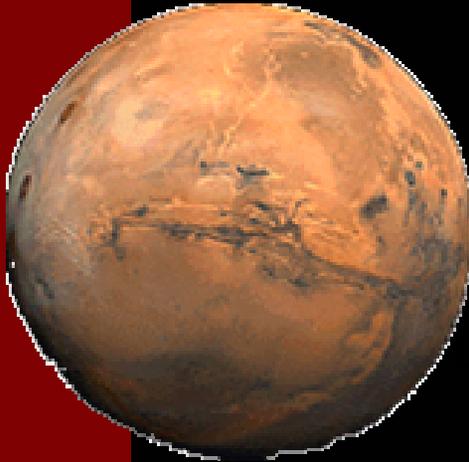


Life on Mars?

Was Evidence of Life Found in Martian Meteorite?



Mars Exploration Program

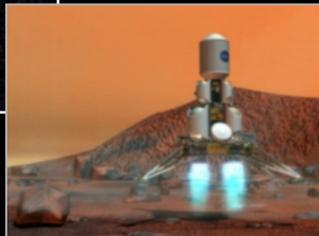
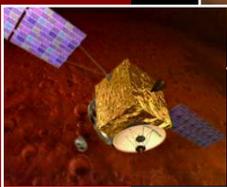
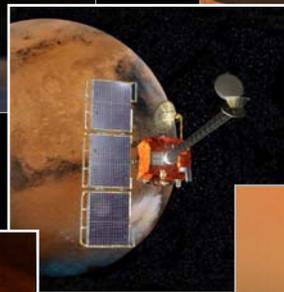


A science-driven, technology enabled effort to characterize and understand Mars, including its current environment, climate, and geological history and biological potential

Central among the questions to be asked is... “Did life ever arise on Mars?”

The science strategy is known as “Follow the Water.”

The exploration approach is “Seek, In-Situ, Sample.”





**Was Mars once a habitat
for microbial life?**



Was Mars once wet?

Gully Systems

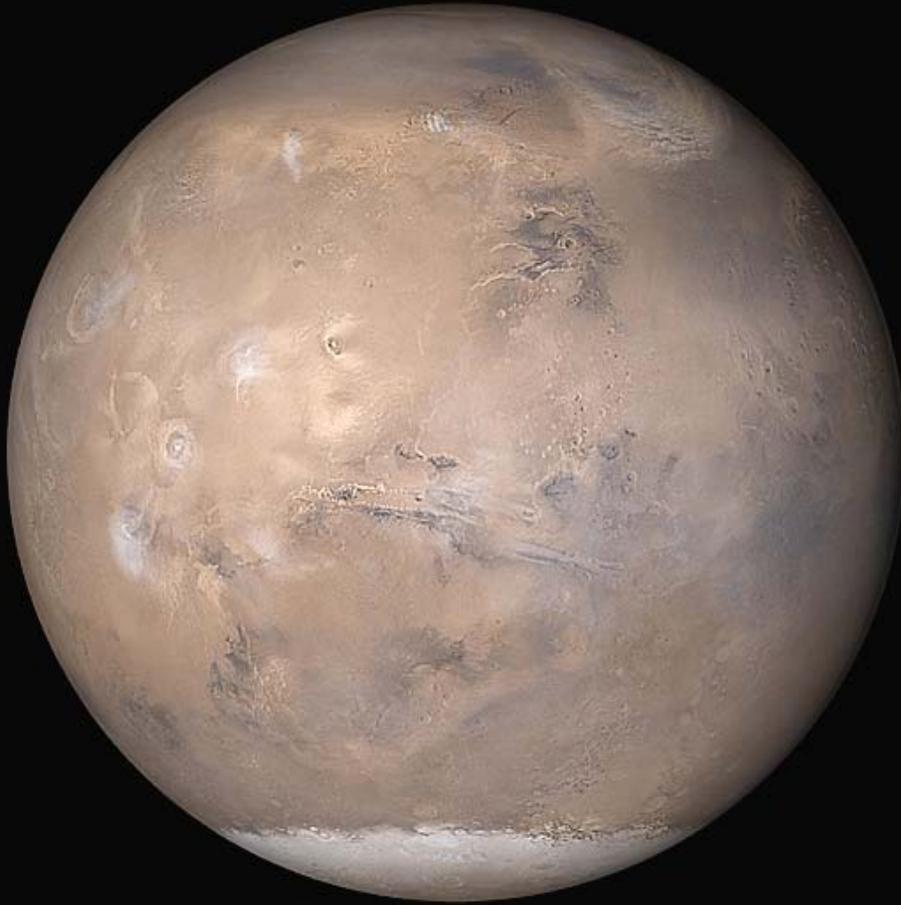


Crater Wall Gullies, Gorgonum Basin
39.1°S, 166.1°W



Crater Wall Gullies, Newton Basin
42.6°S, 158.1°W

Ancient Mars?

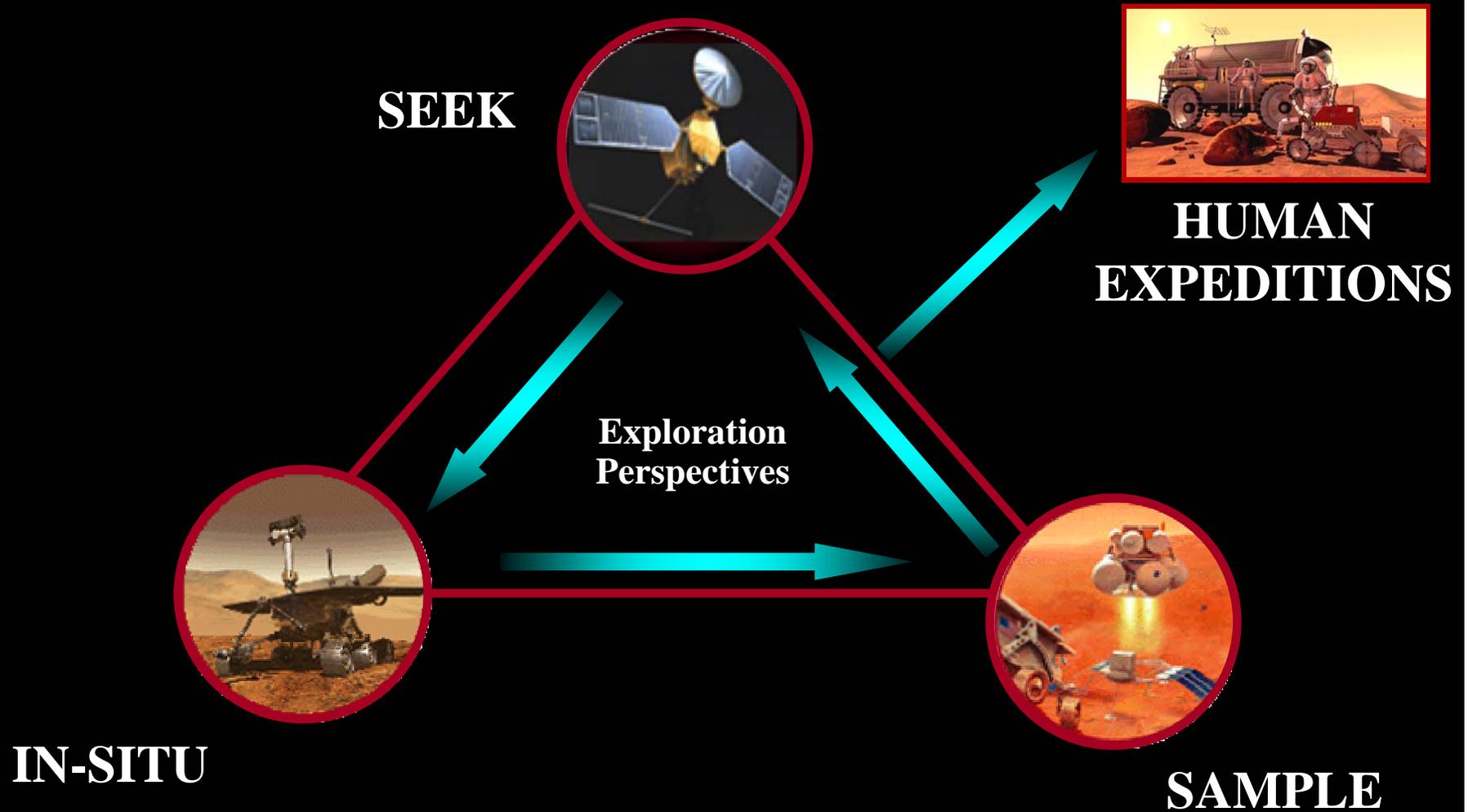


Modern
Cold and Arid



Past?
Wet and Warm?

Mars Exploration: Approach



Mars Exploration Program

1996 - 2009

1996



Mars Global Surveyor

2001



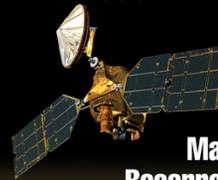
Mars Odyssey

2003



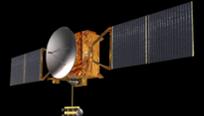
European Mars Express

2005



Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter

2007



Mars Telecom Orbiter

2009

Mars Pathfinder



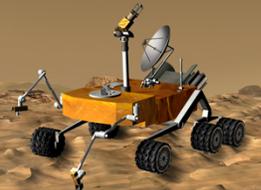
Mars Exploration Rovers



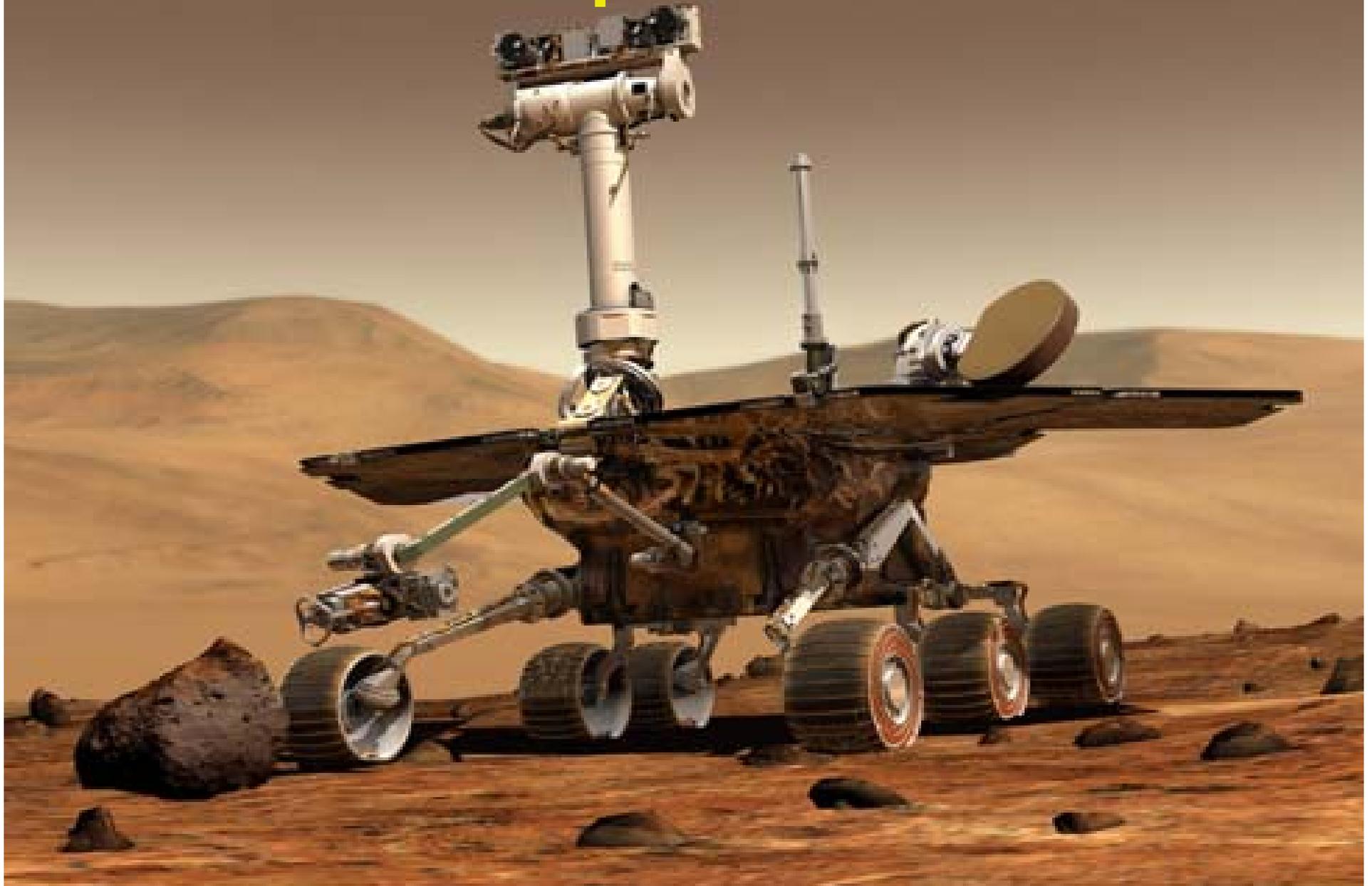
Phoenix Scout



Mars Science Laboratory



Mars Exploration Rover



Gusev Crater

Landing
Site for
Spirit

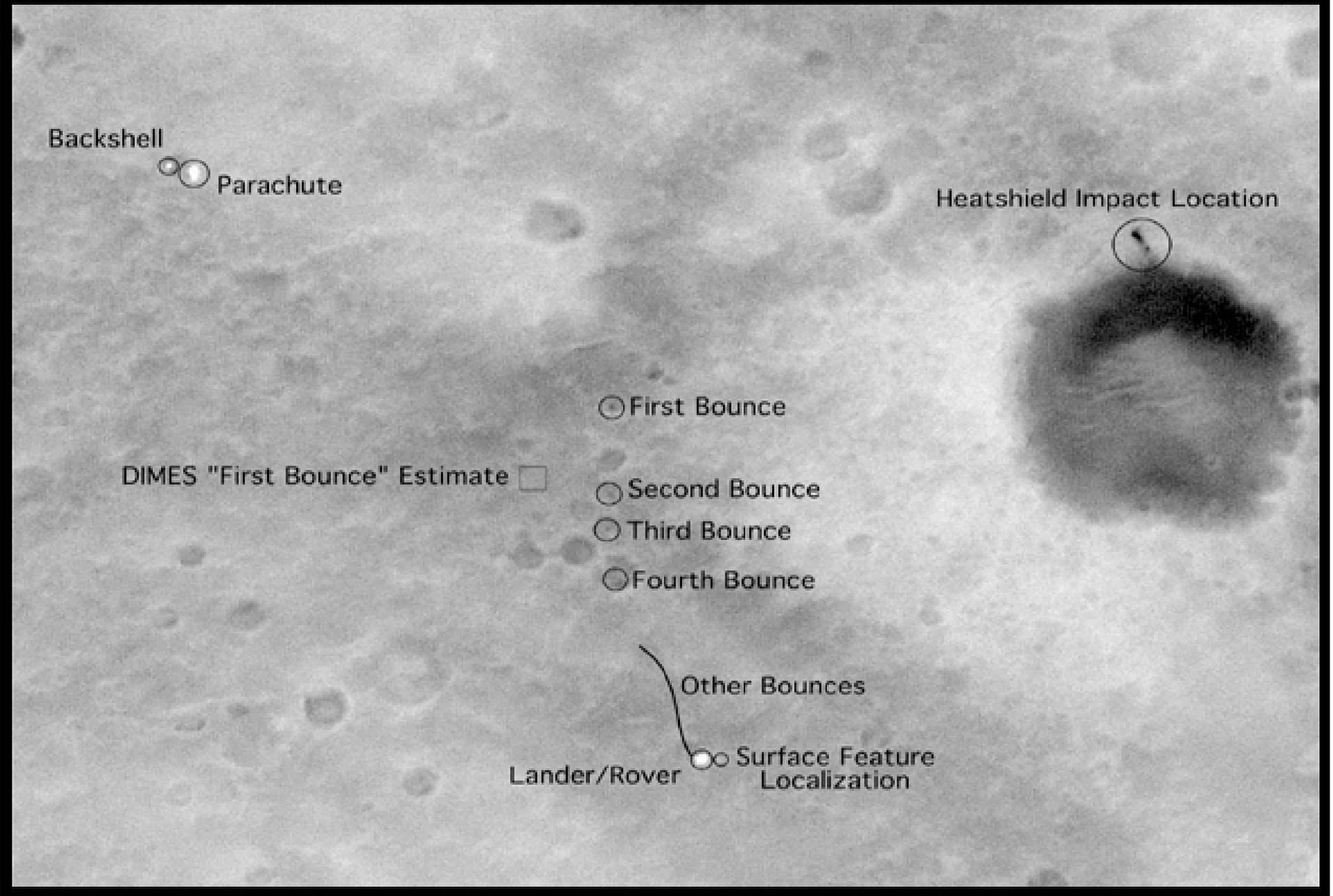


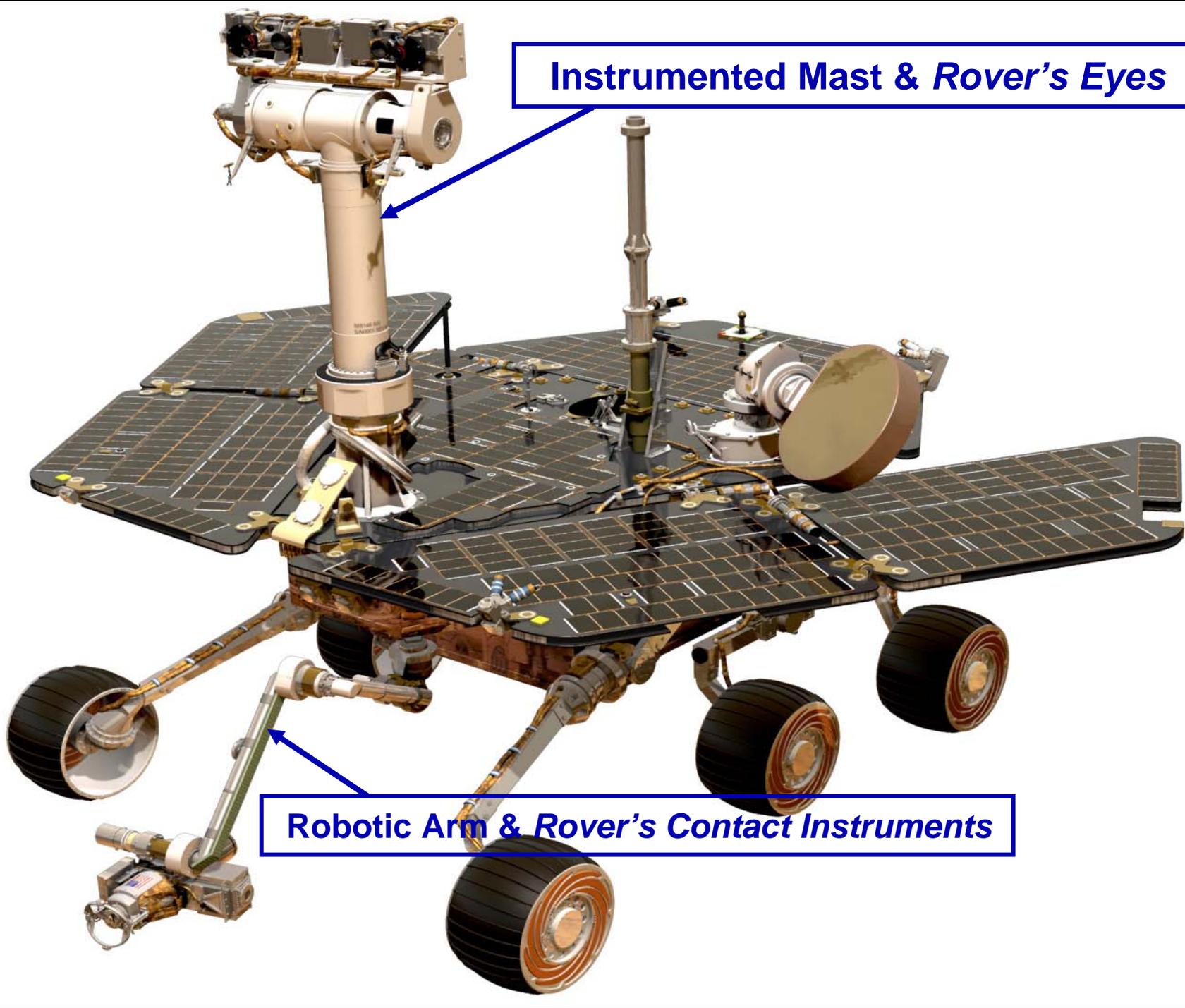
Crater
diameter:
150 km
(93 miles)

Spirit rover installed inside the aeroshell



Spirit Landing Site at Gusev Crater



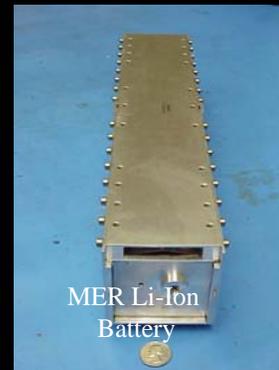
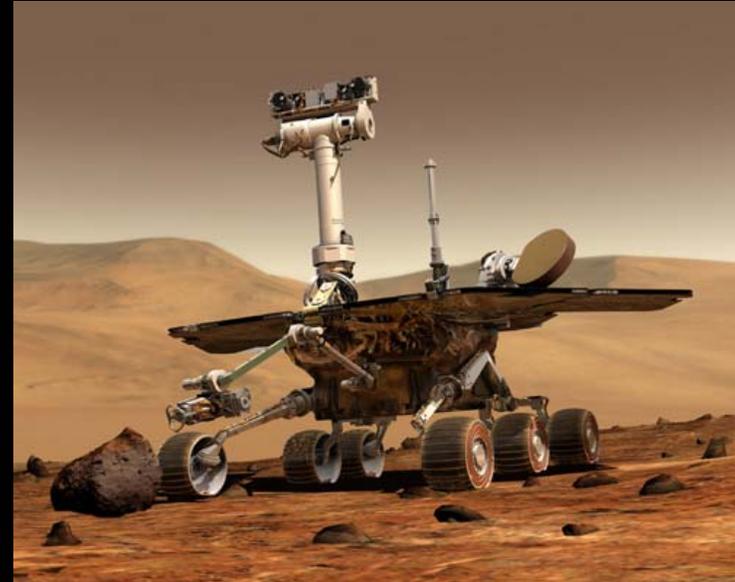
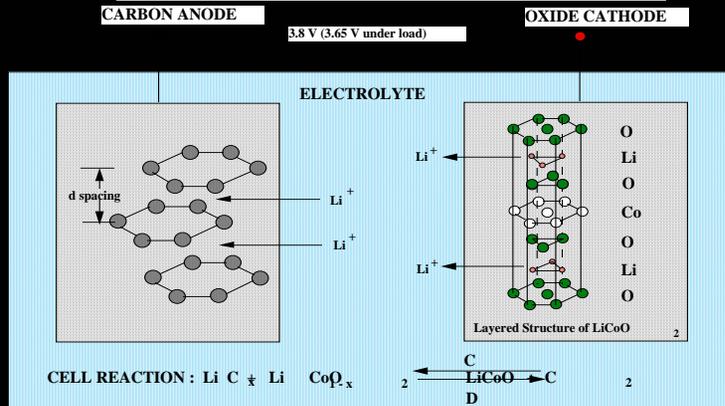


Instrumented Mast & Rover's Eyes

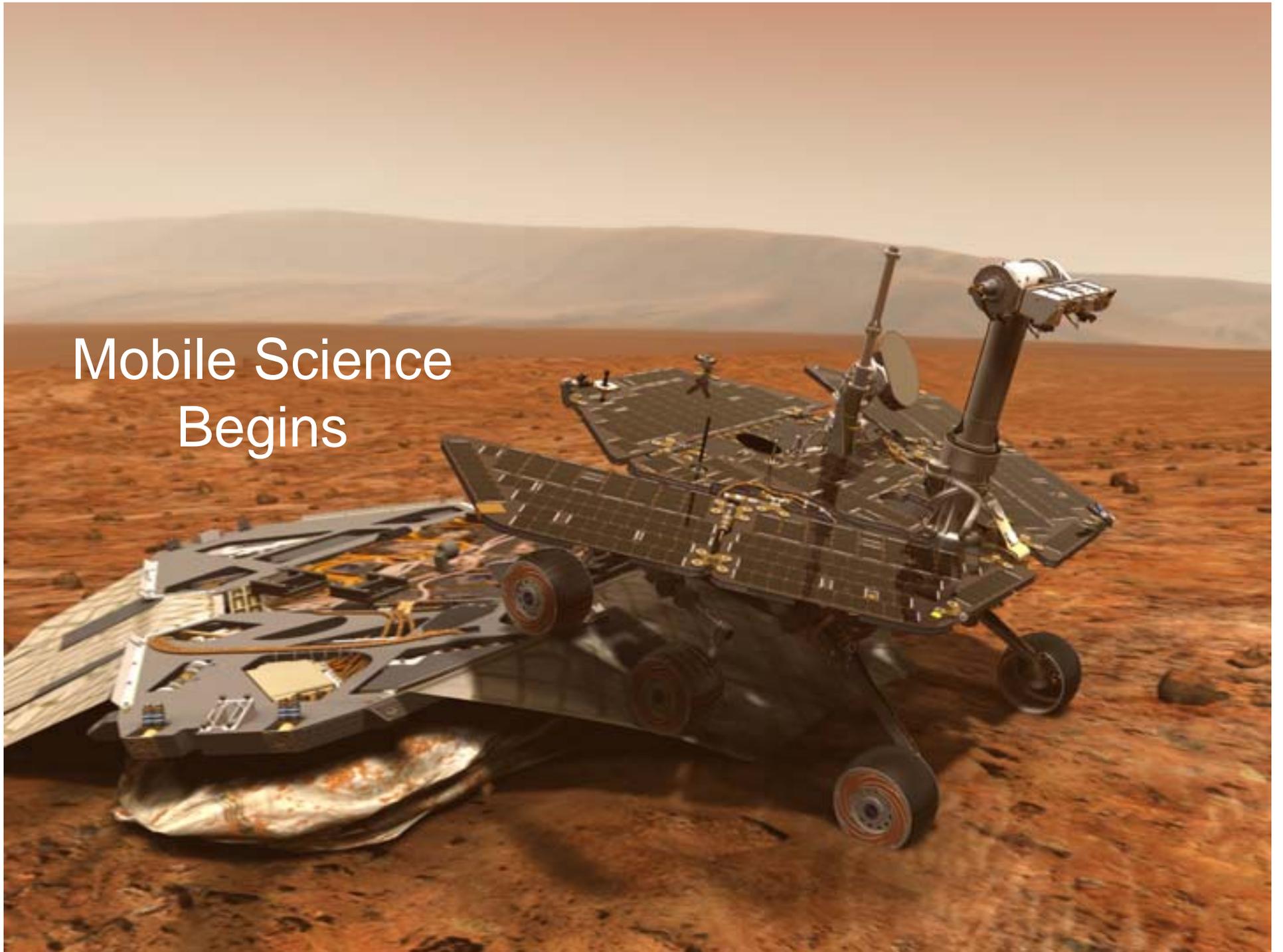
Robotic Arm & Rover's Contact Instruments

JPL Partnership with Small Business Provides Power to Spirit and Opportunity

SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM OF A LI-ION CELL



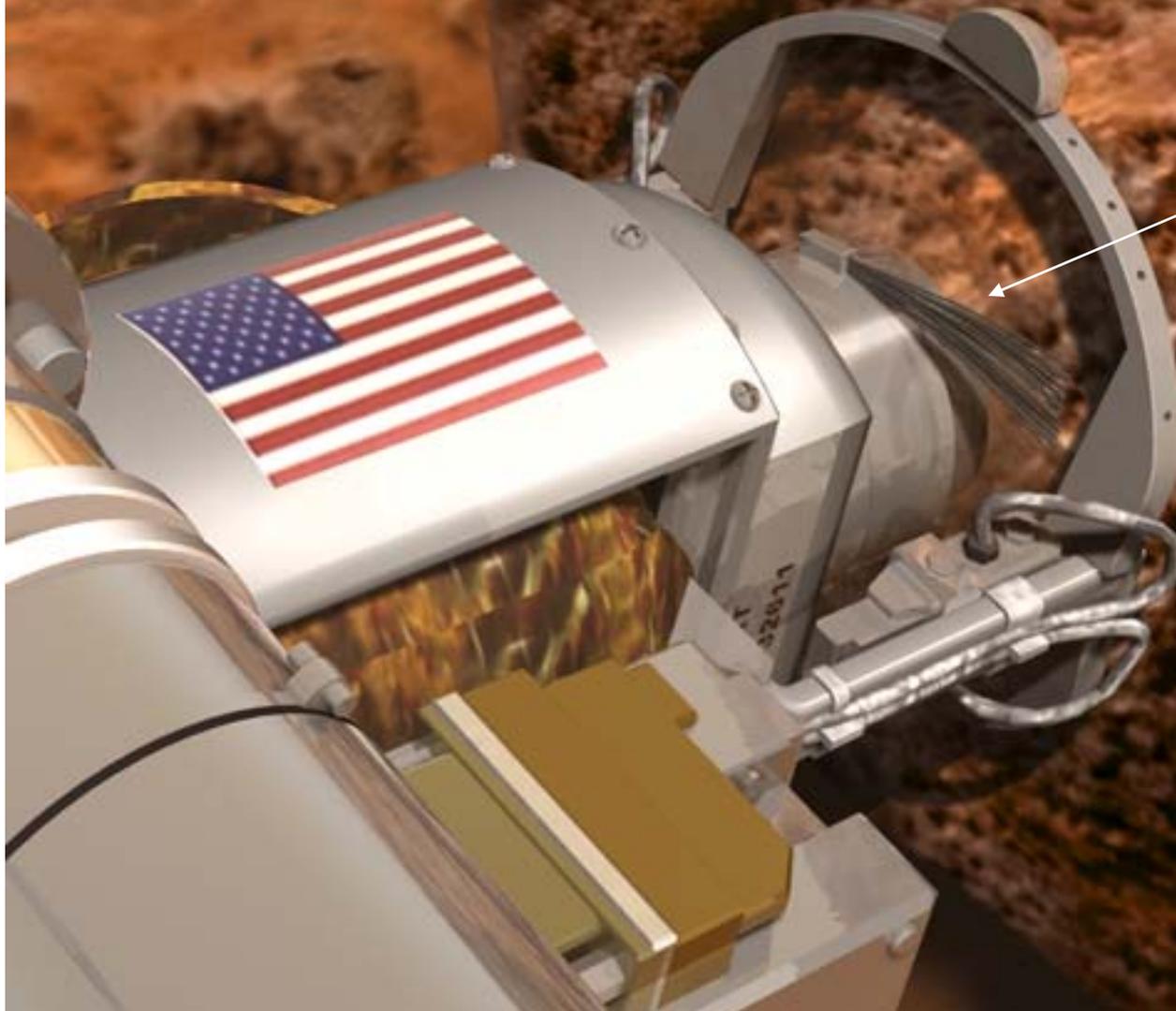
Mobile Science Begins





Spirit Approaches Target Rock

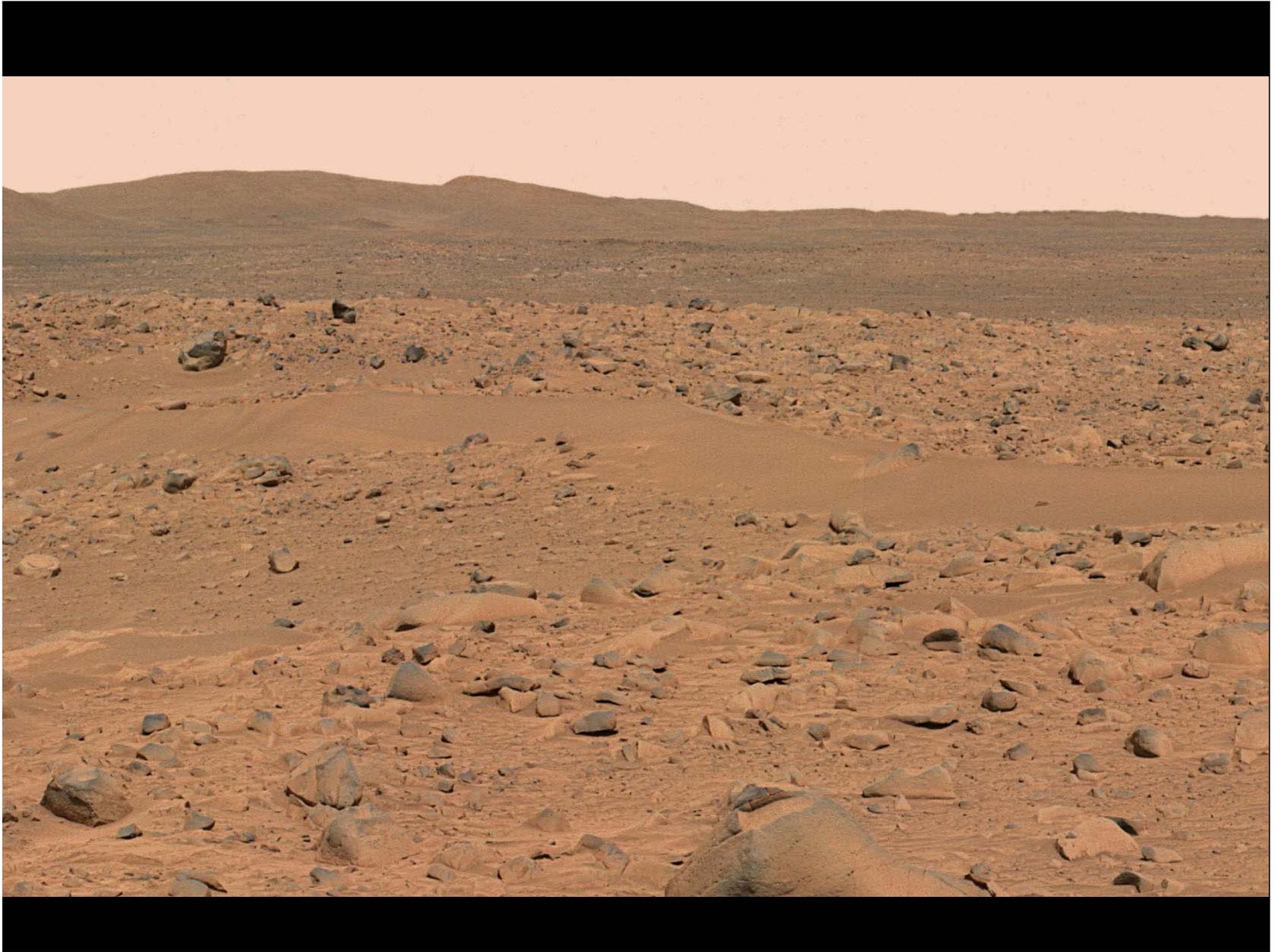
Rock Abrasion Tool (RAT) – Another vital contribution of Small Business



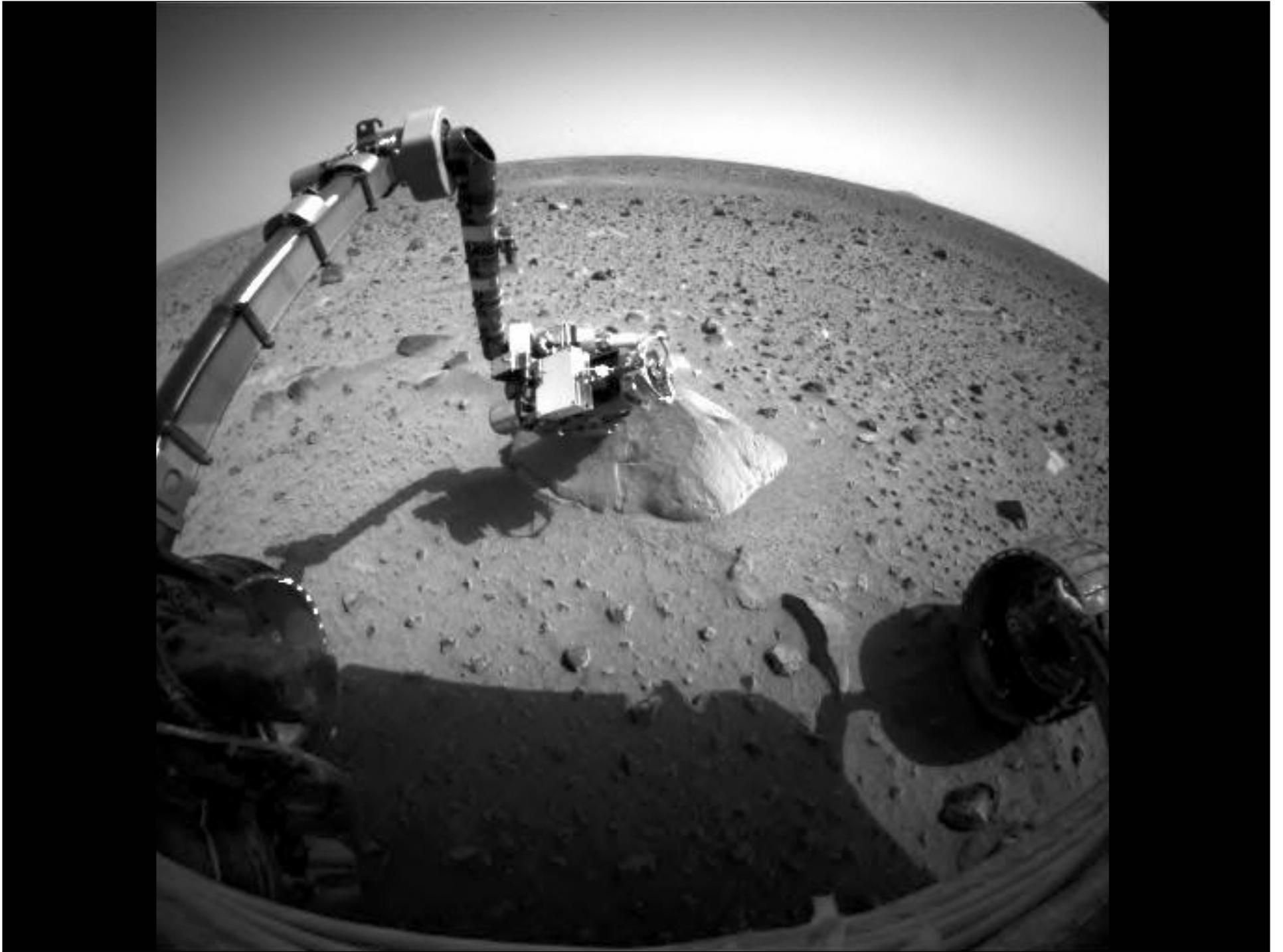
Arm places RAT on Rock & Cleans Surface

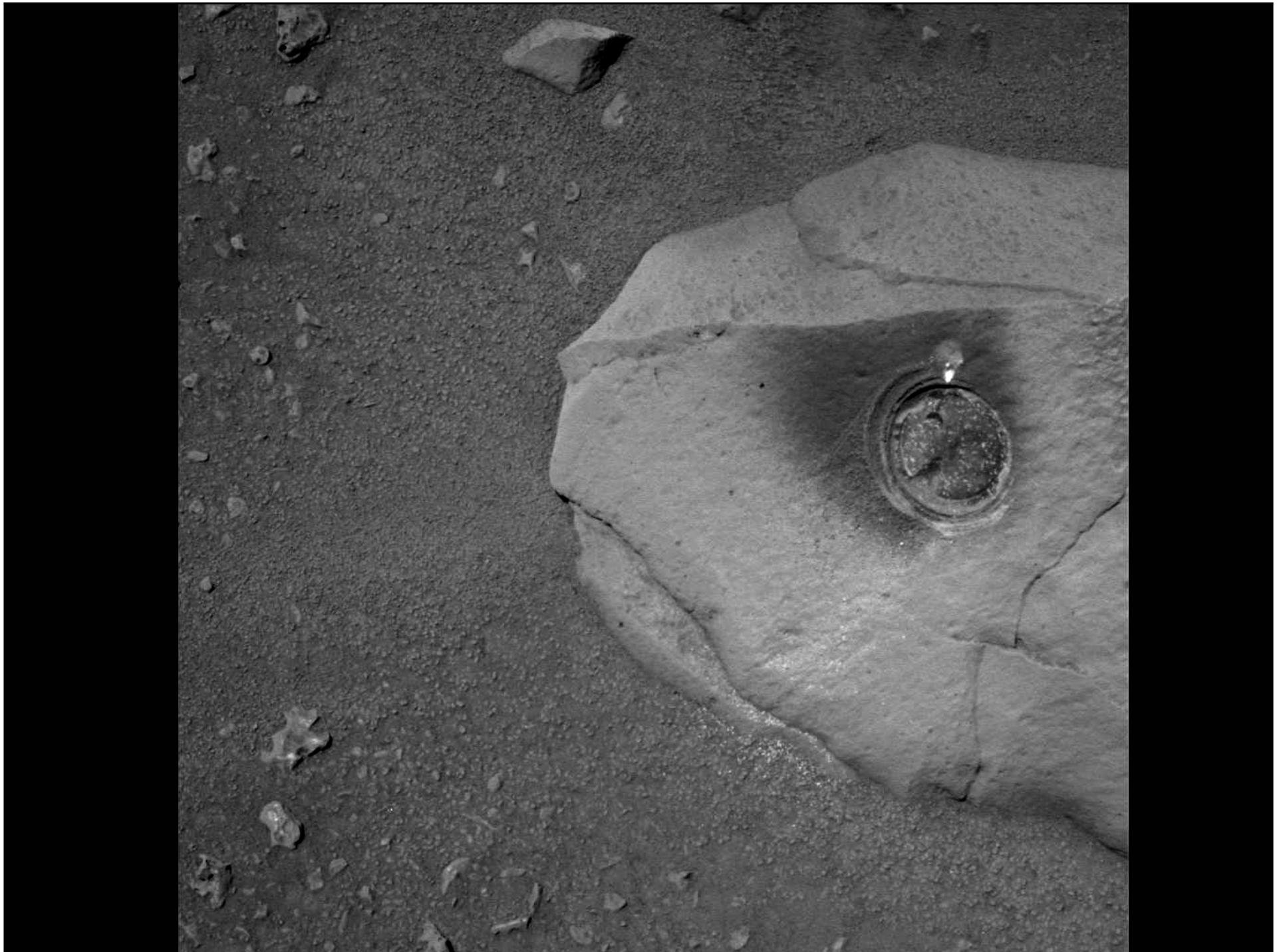
Dust and Weathered Surface Removed





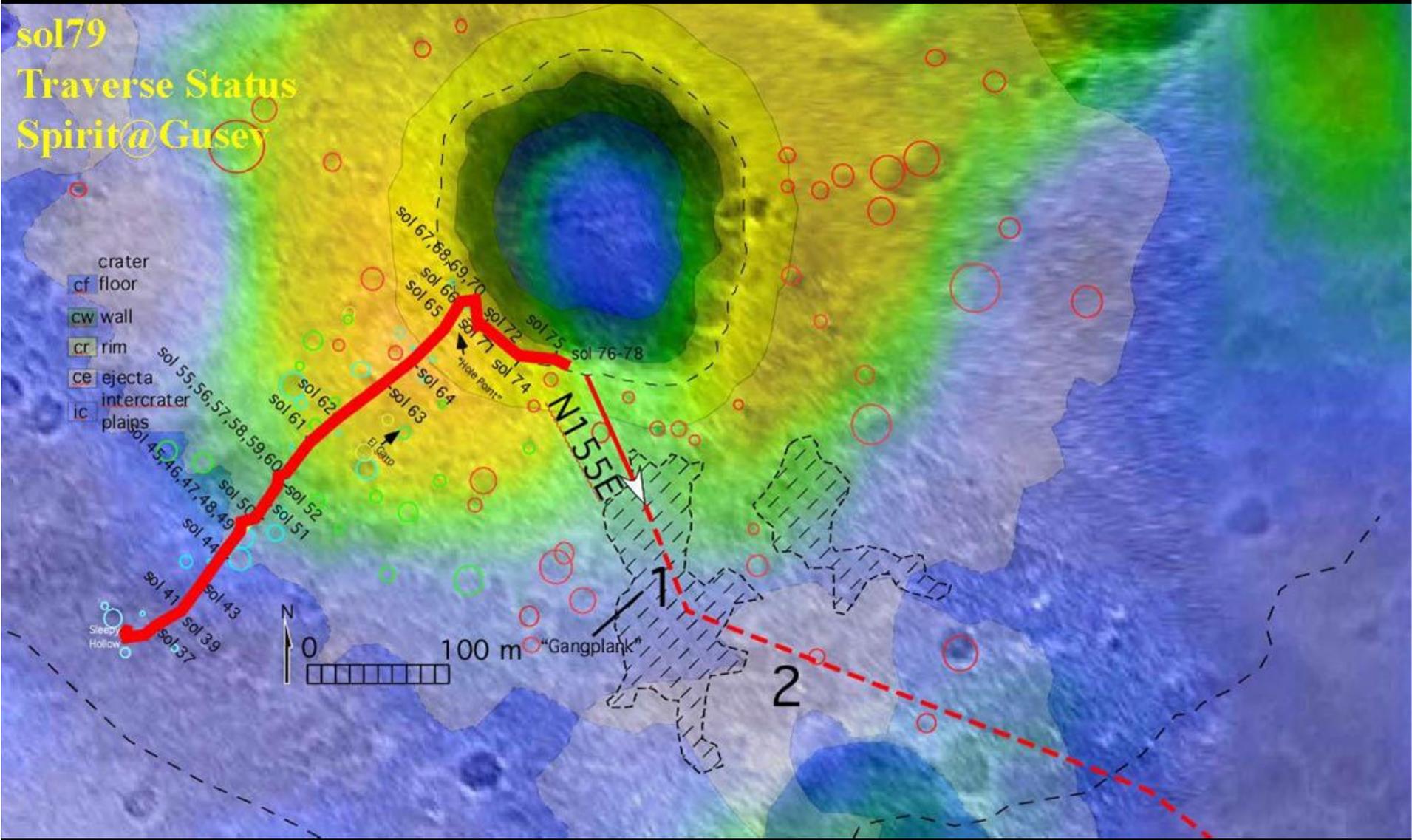




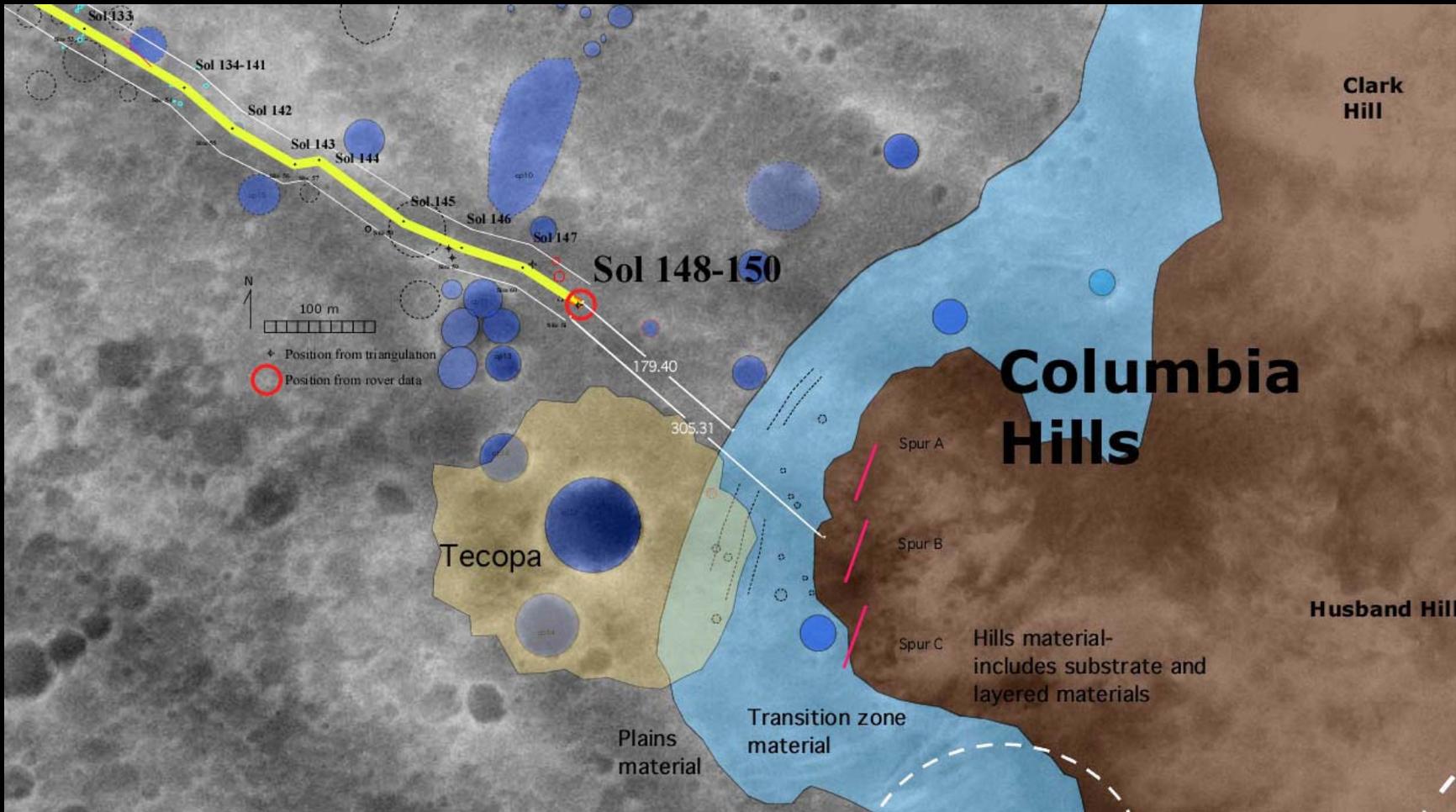


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Traverse Status
Spirit@Gusev

- crater
- cf floor
- cw wall
- cr rim
- ce ejecta
- ic intercrater
- plains







COLUMBIA HILLS - RIGHT AHEAD



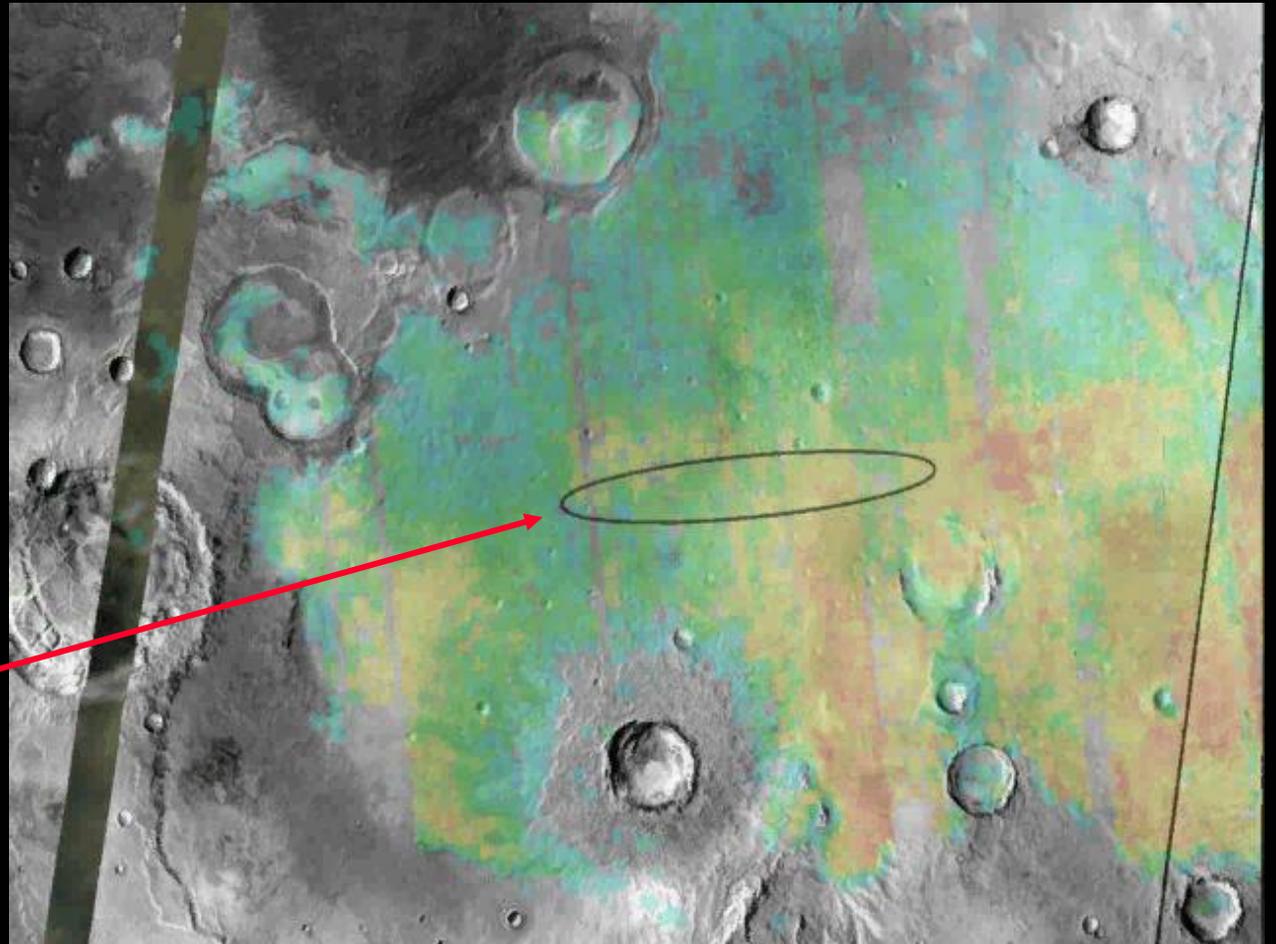
Meridiani Planum

Landing Site for *Opportunity*



Gray crystalline
hematite

Opportunity's
71 km x 9 km
landing ellipse



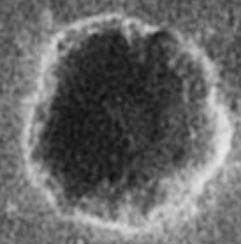


Opportunity Lander

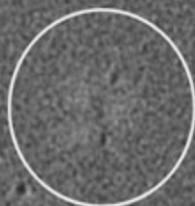


"Eagle Crater"

"Endurance Crater"



Backshell & Parachute



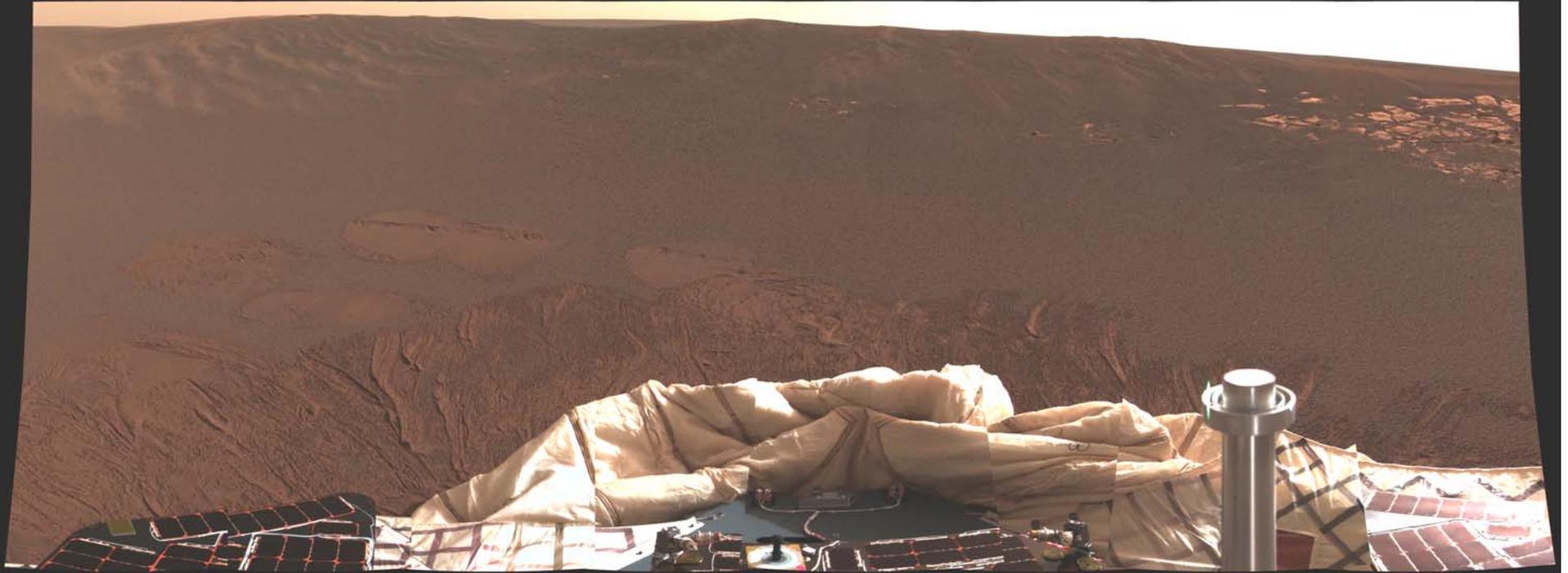
"First Bounce" and
Effects of Rocket Firing



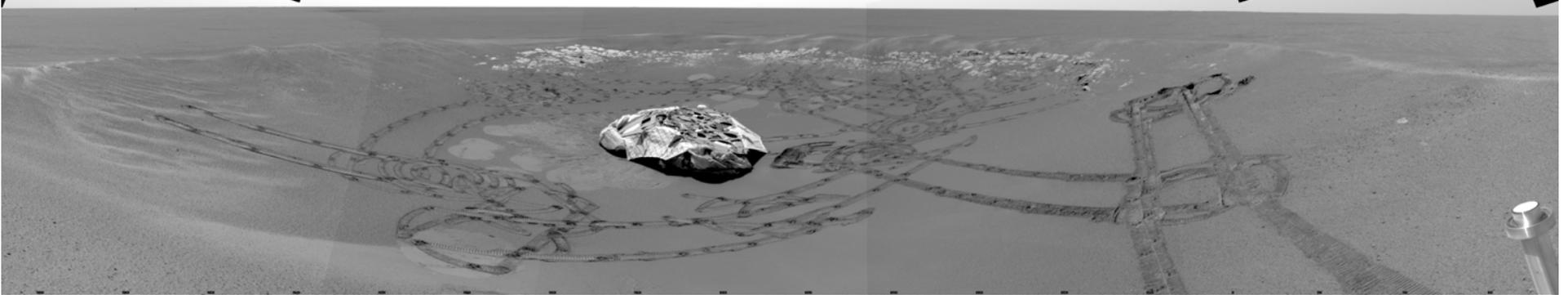
Heatshield Impact Site

200 m

Opportunity at *Eagle* Crater



Opportunity Site
Lander Viewed from Rover in Eagle Crater



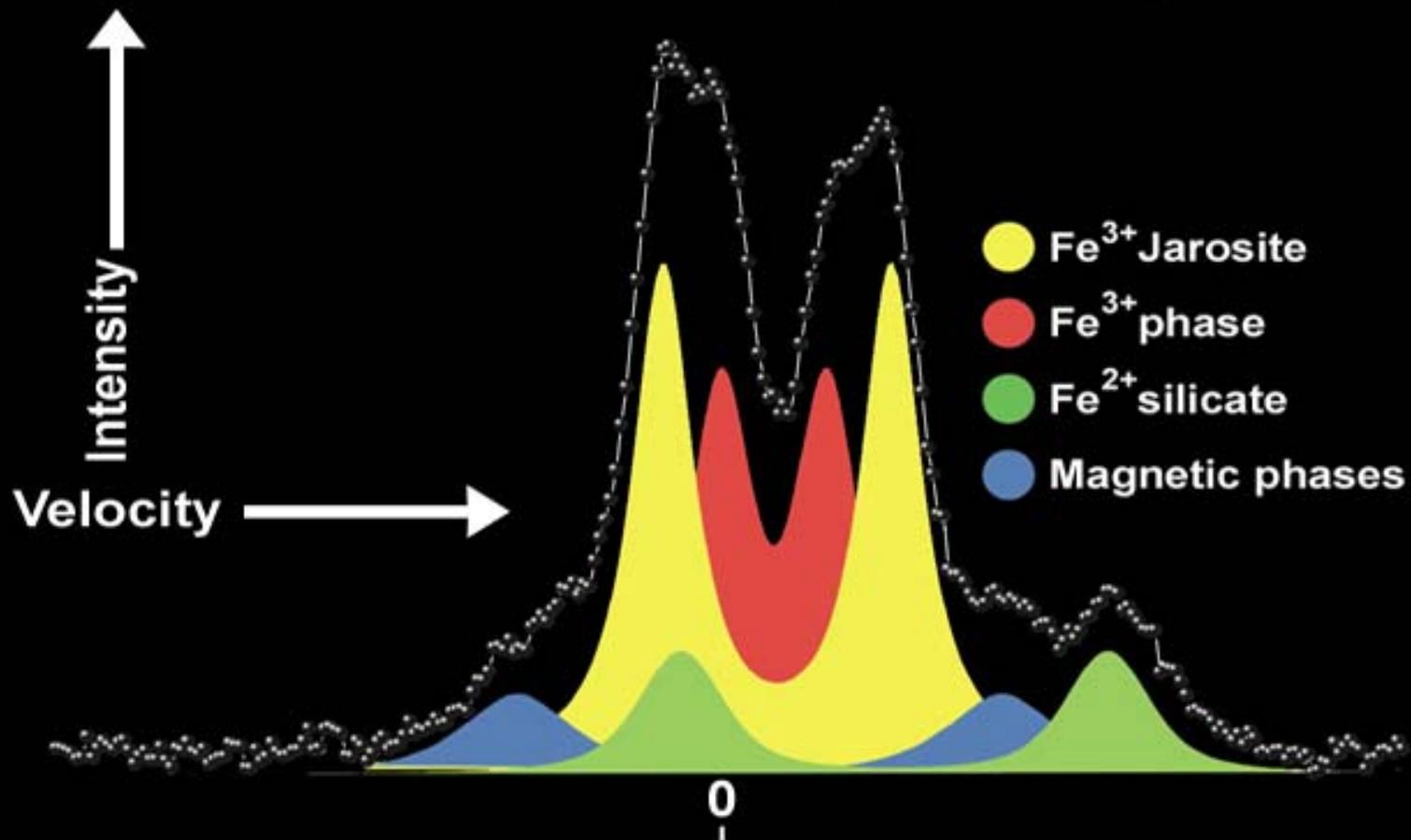
Rock Outcrop In *Eagle* Crater





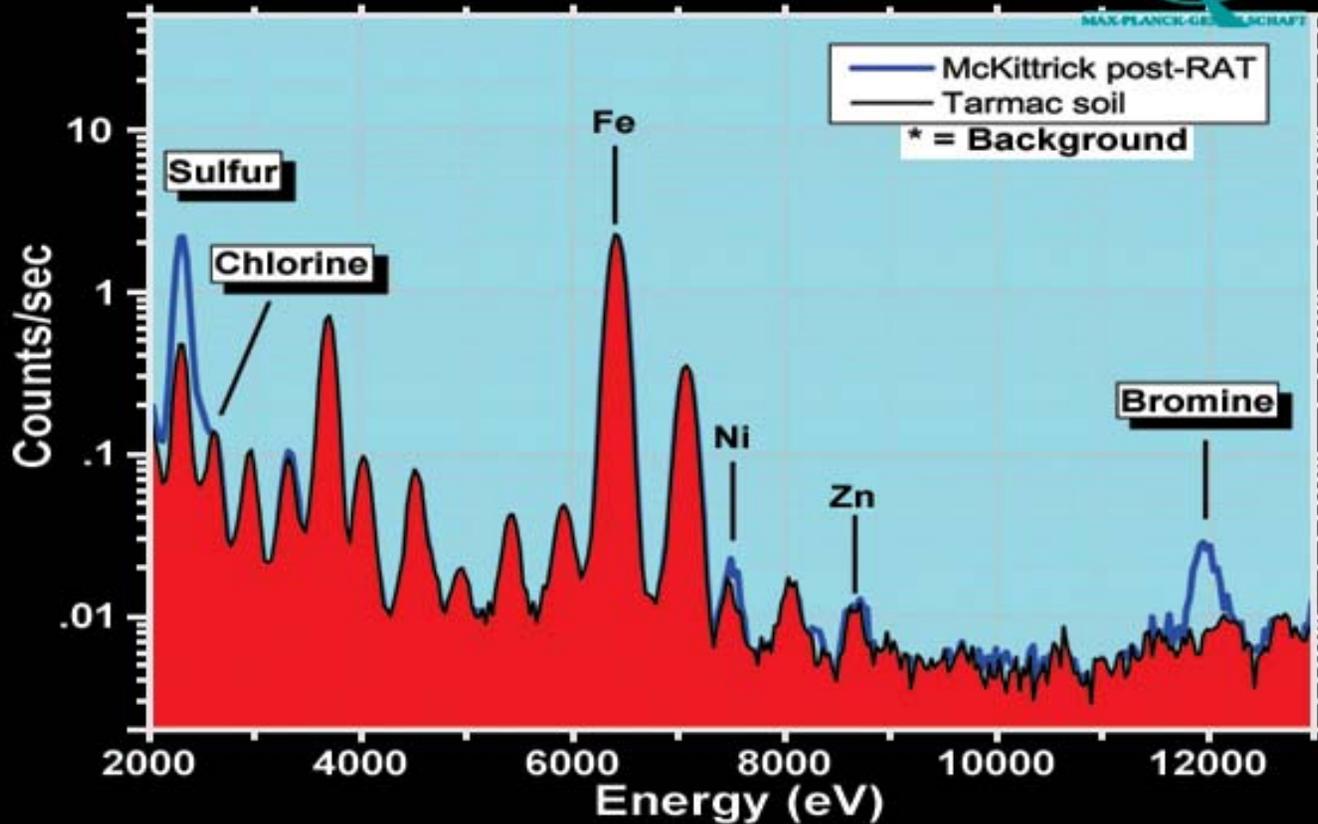
Jarosite Tells of Watery Past

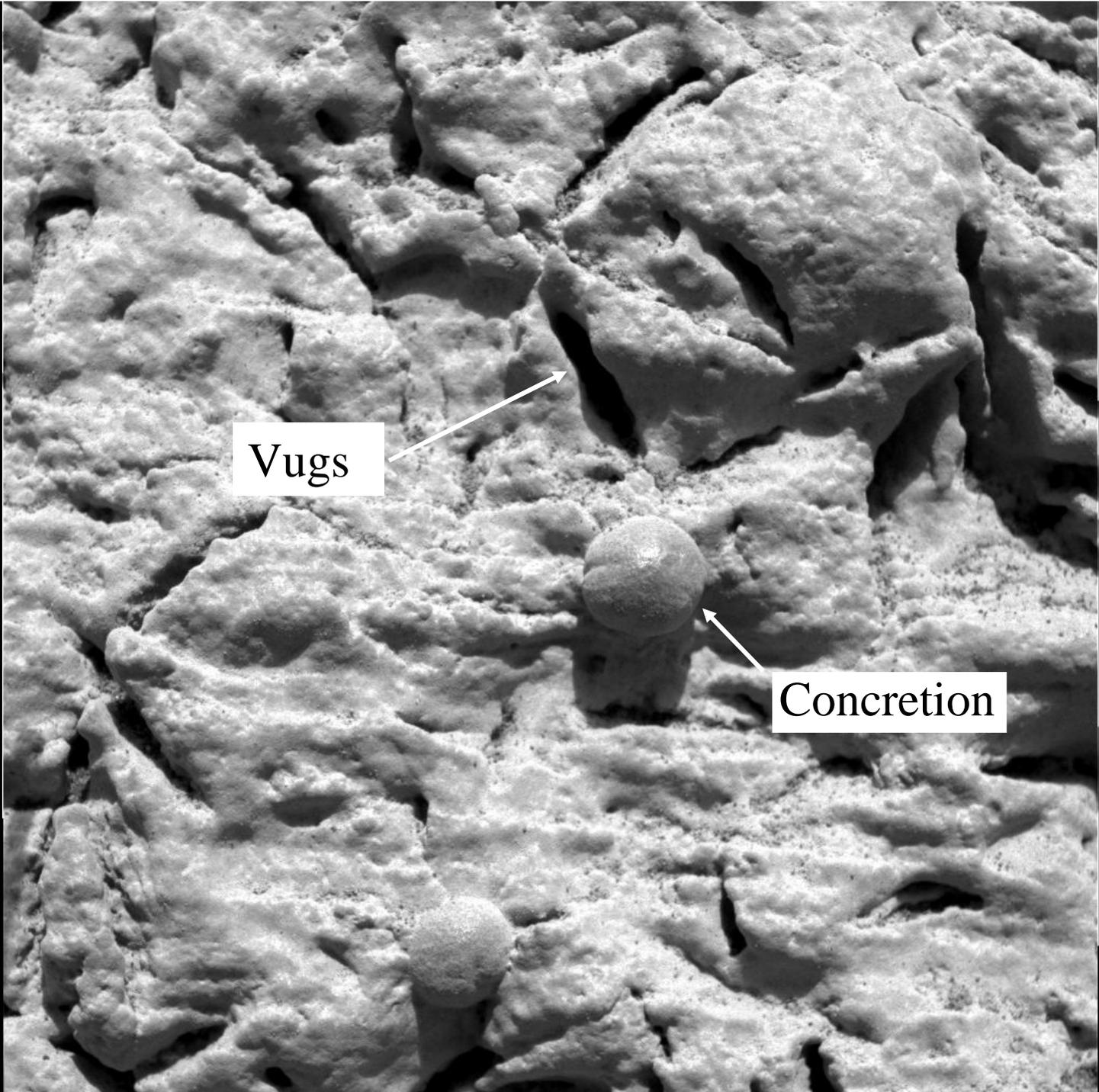
Mössbauer Spectrum of El Capitan: Meridiani Planum
Jarosite: $(K, Na, X^{+1})Fe_3(SO_4)_2(OH)_6$



Lots of Sulfur!

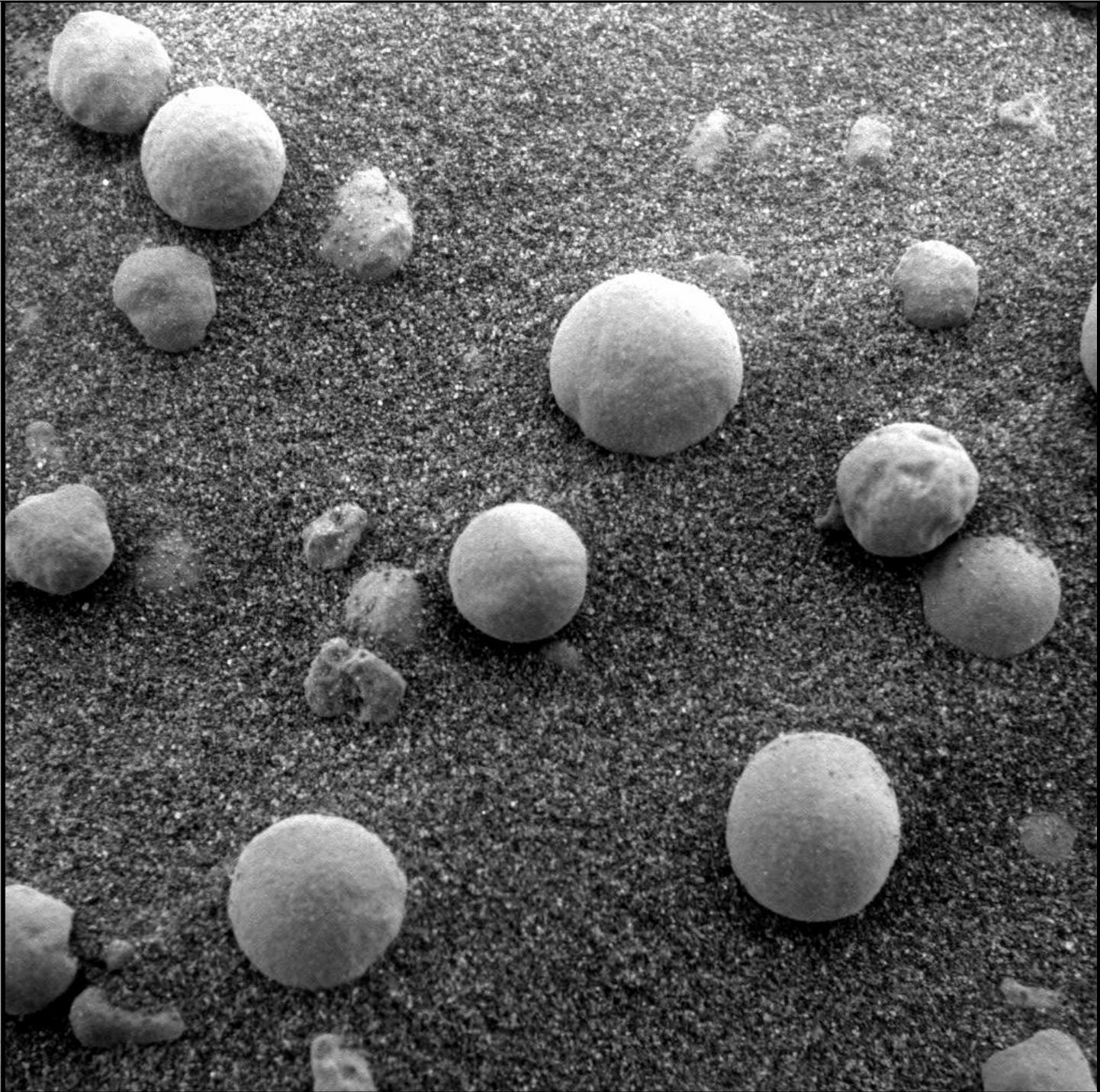
APXS Rock and Soil X-ray Spectra
at Meridiani

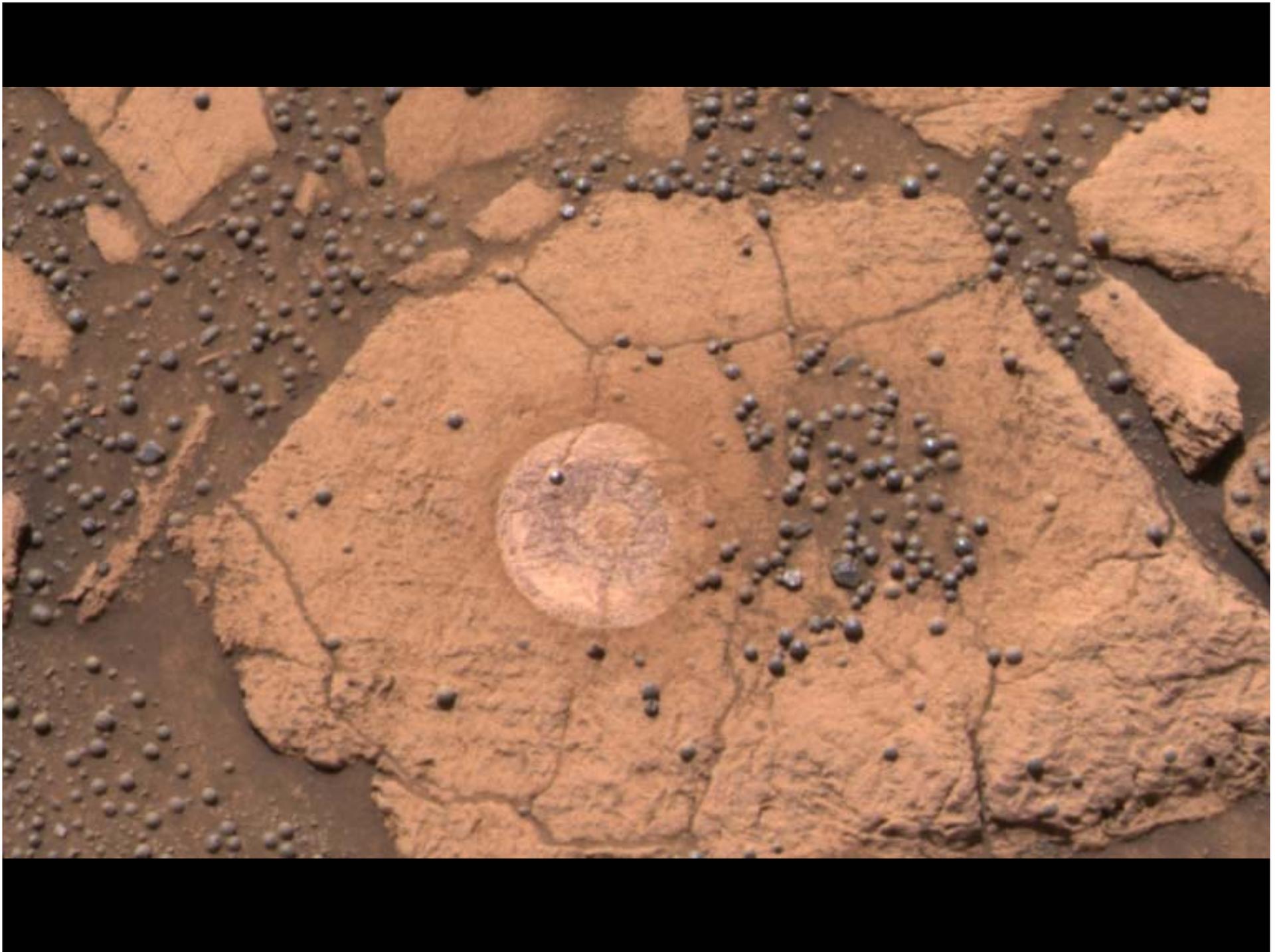




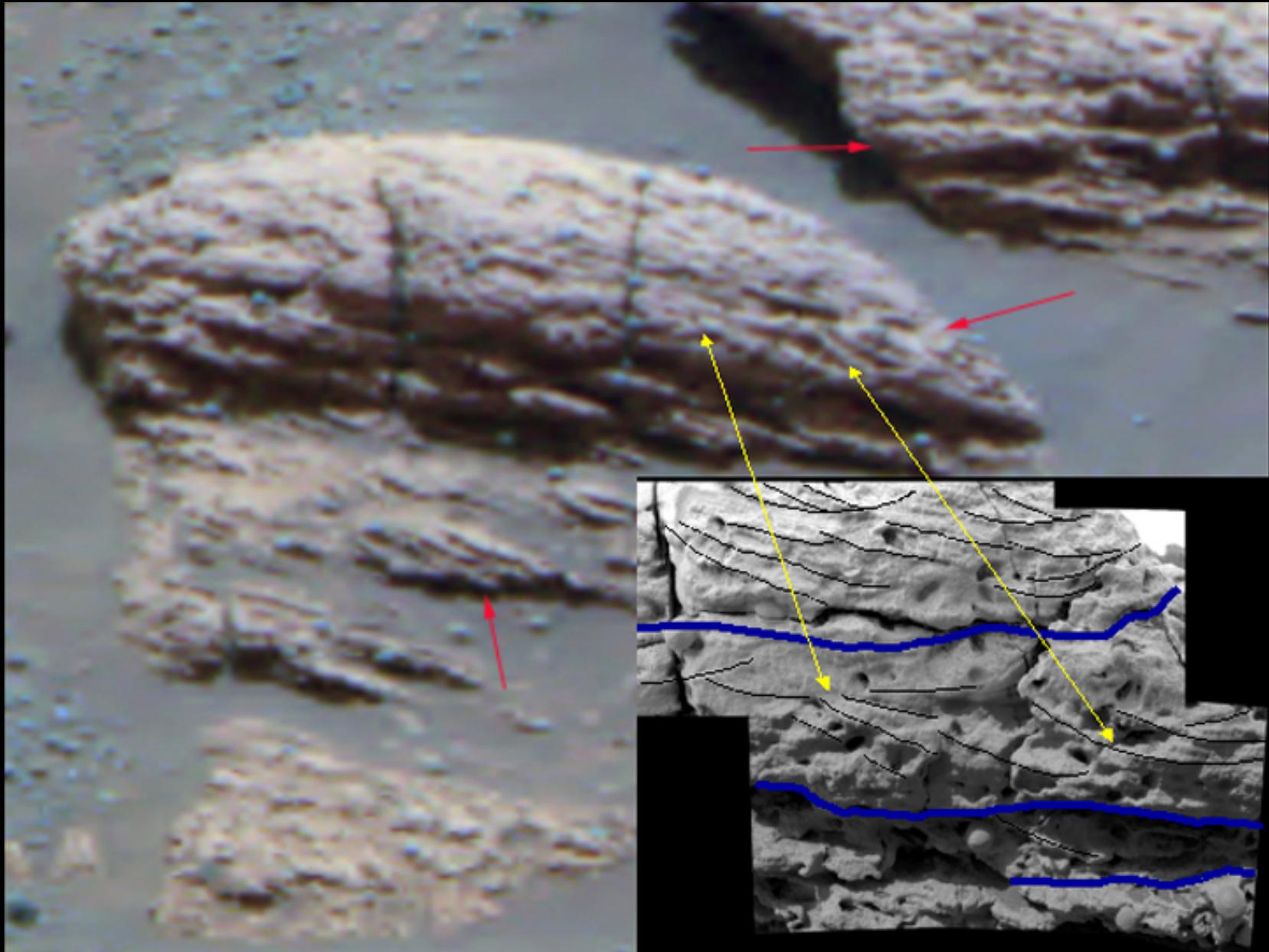
Vugs

Concretion

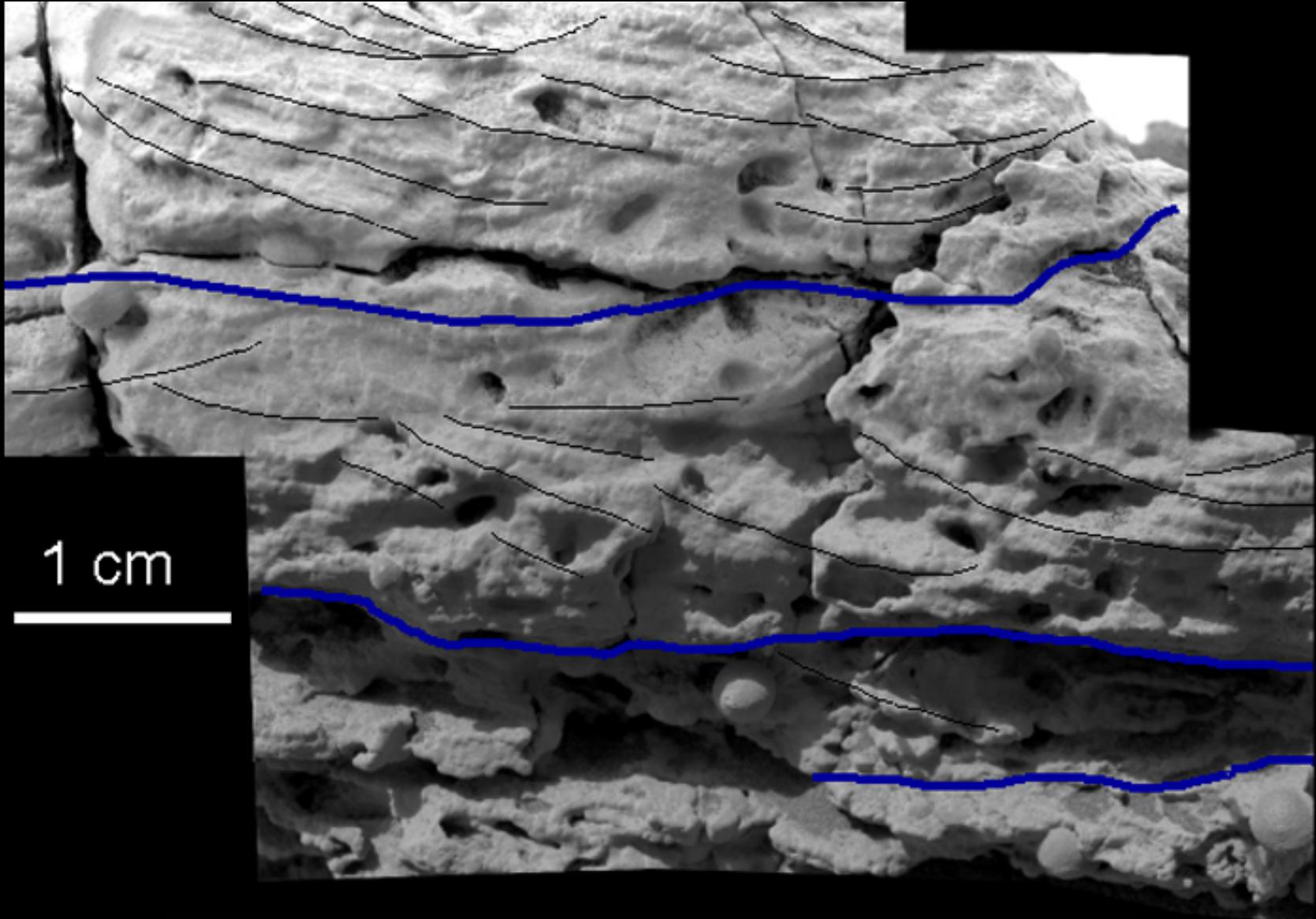




Crossbedding: Evidence for Underwater Origin



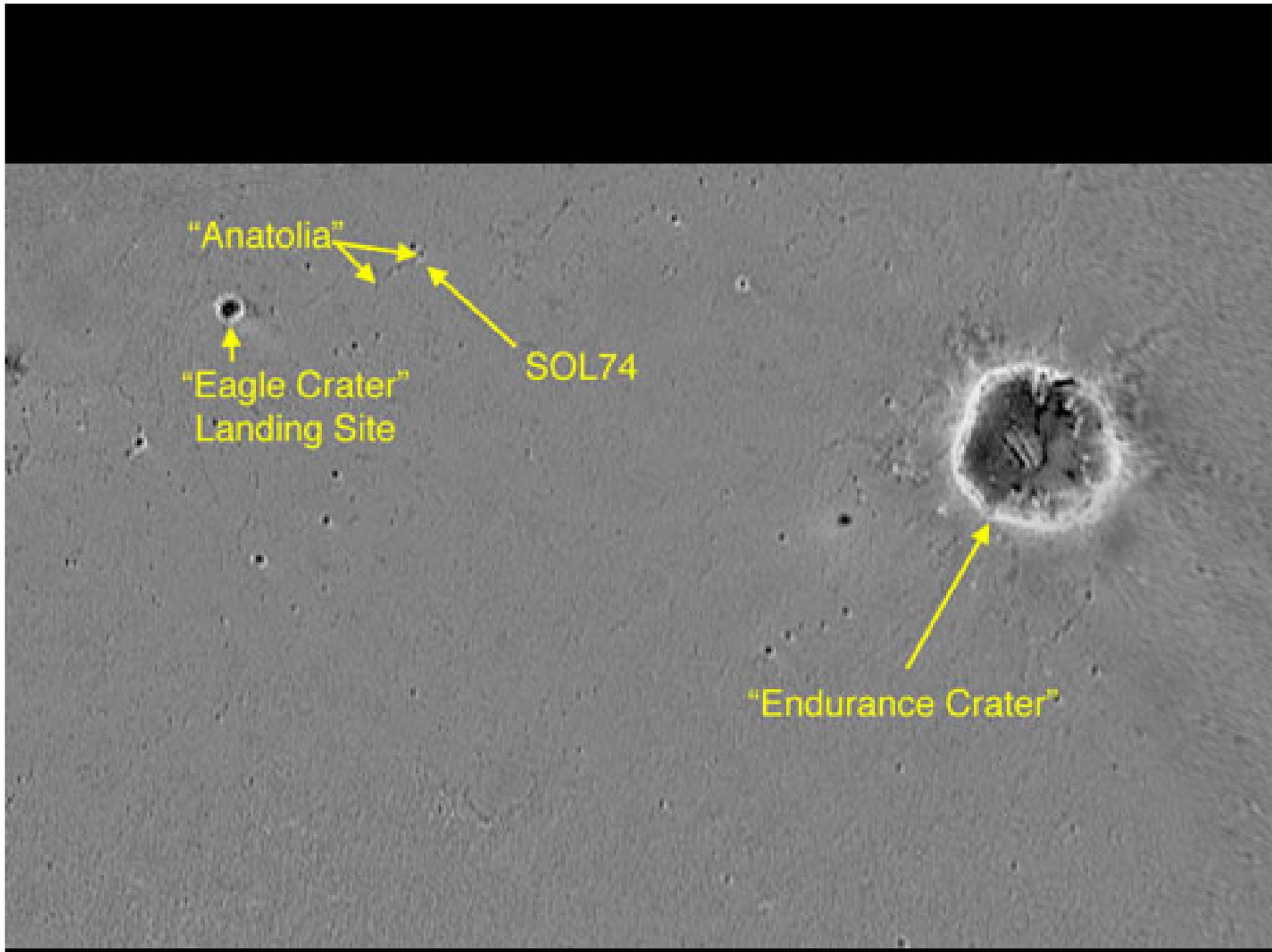
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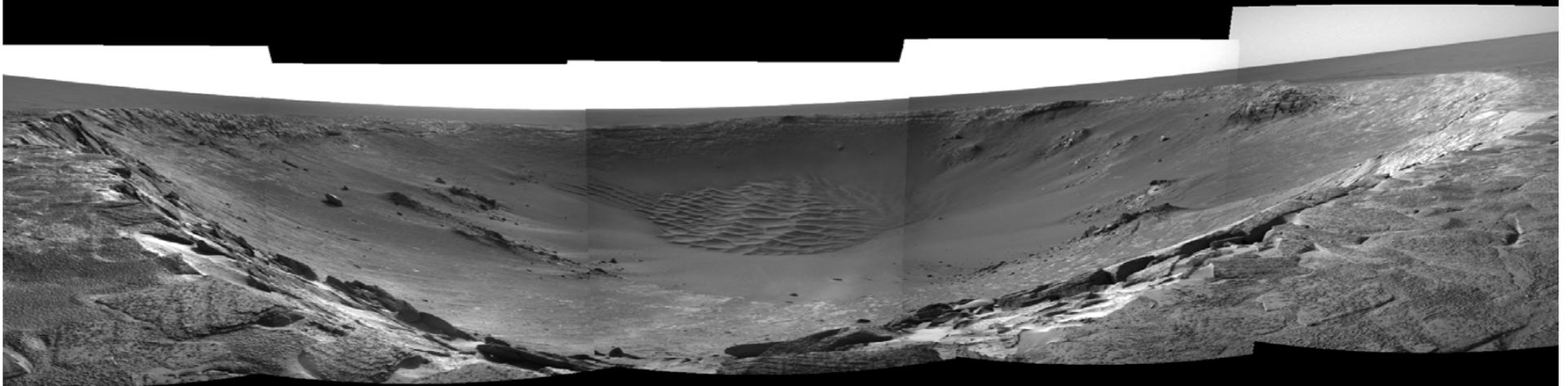


1 cm

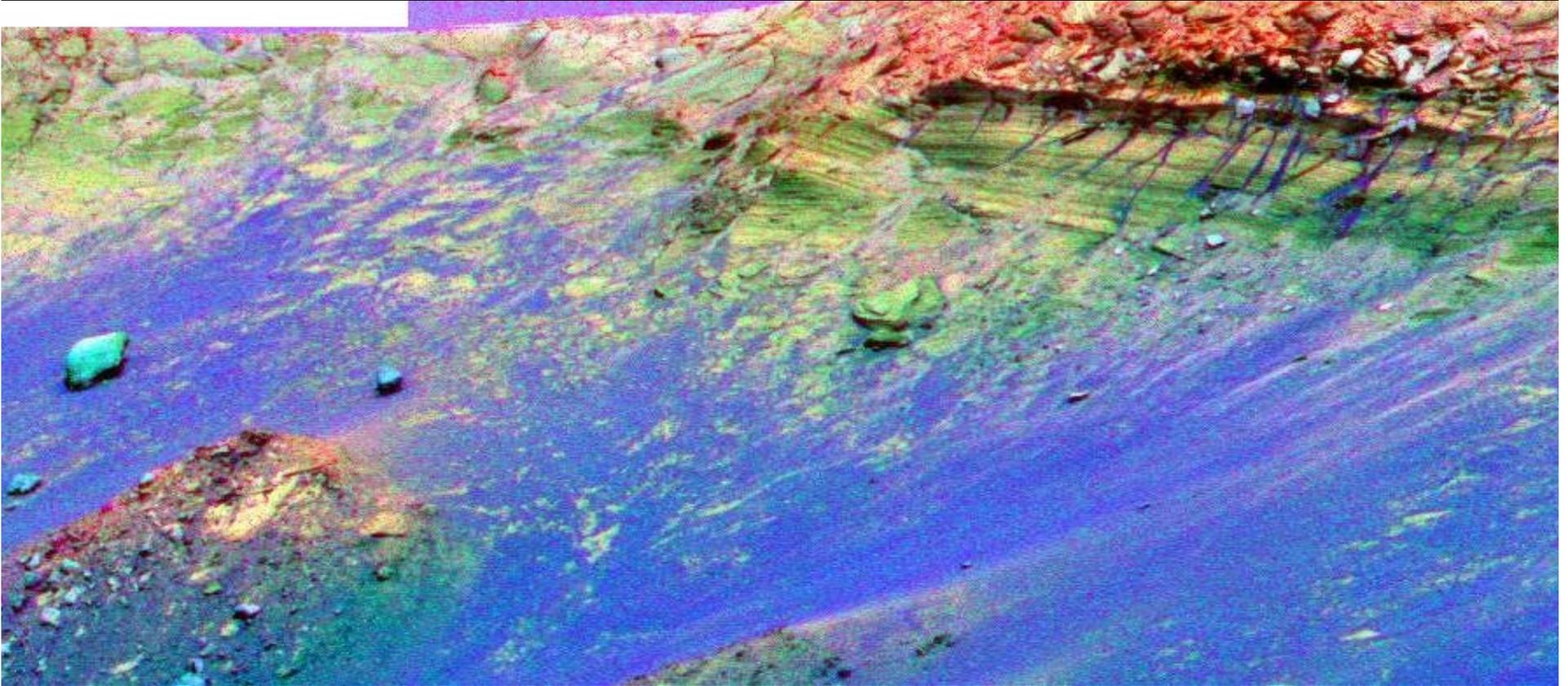
Colorado River ripples



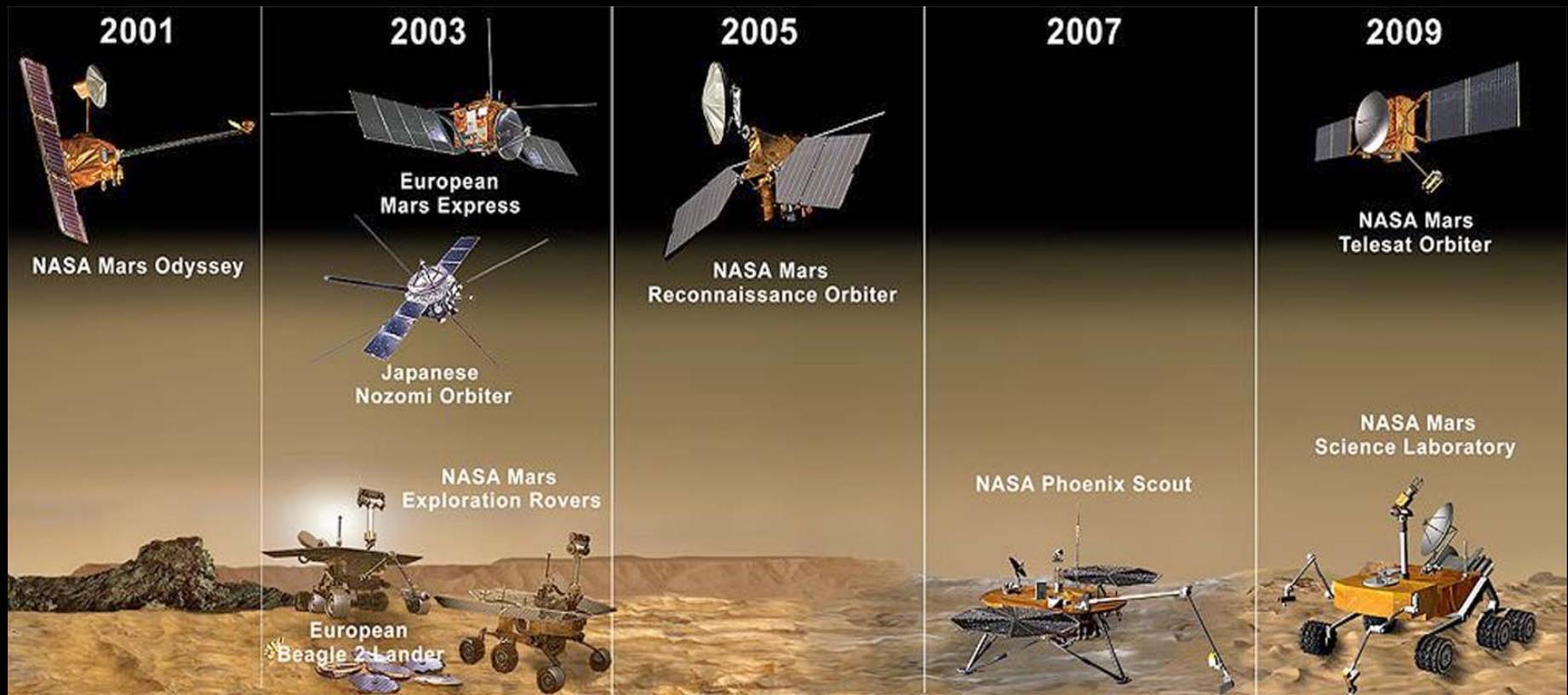
Endurance Crater



Endurance Crater



Mars Exploration Pathway- This Decade



Mars Exploration Pathway- Next Decade

2011



Scout

2013



Mars Sample Return

OR

Astrobiology Field Laboratory

2016



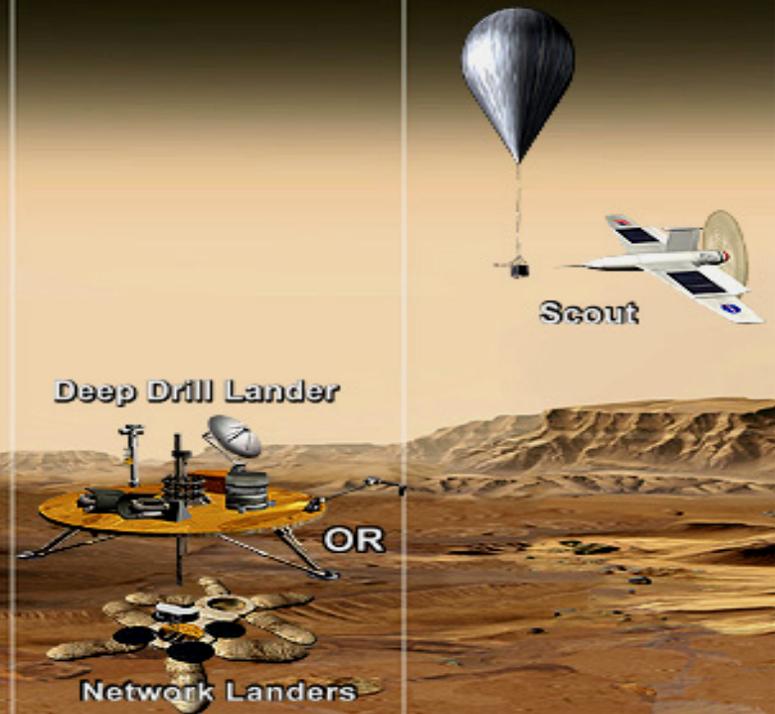
Scout

2018



MRO 2 Telesat

2020



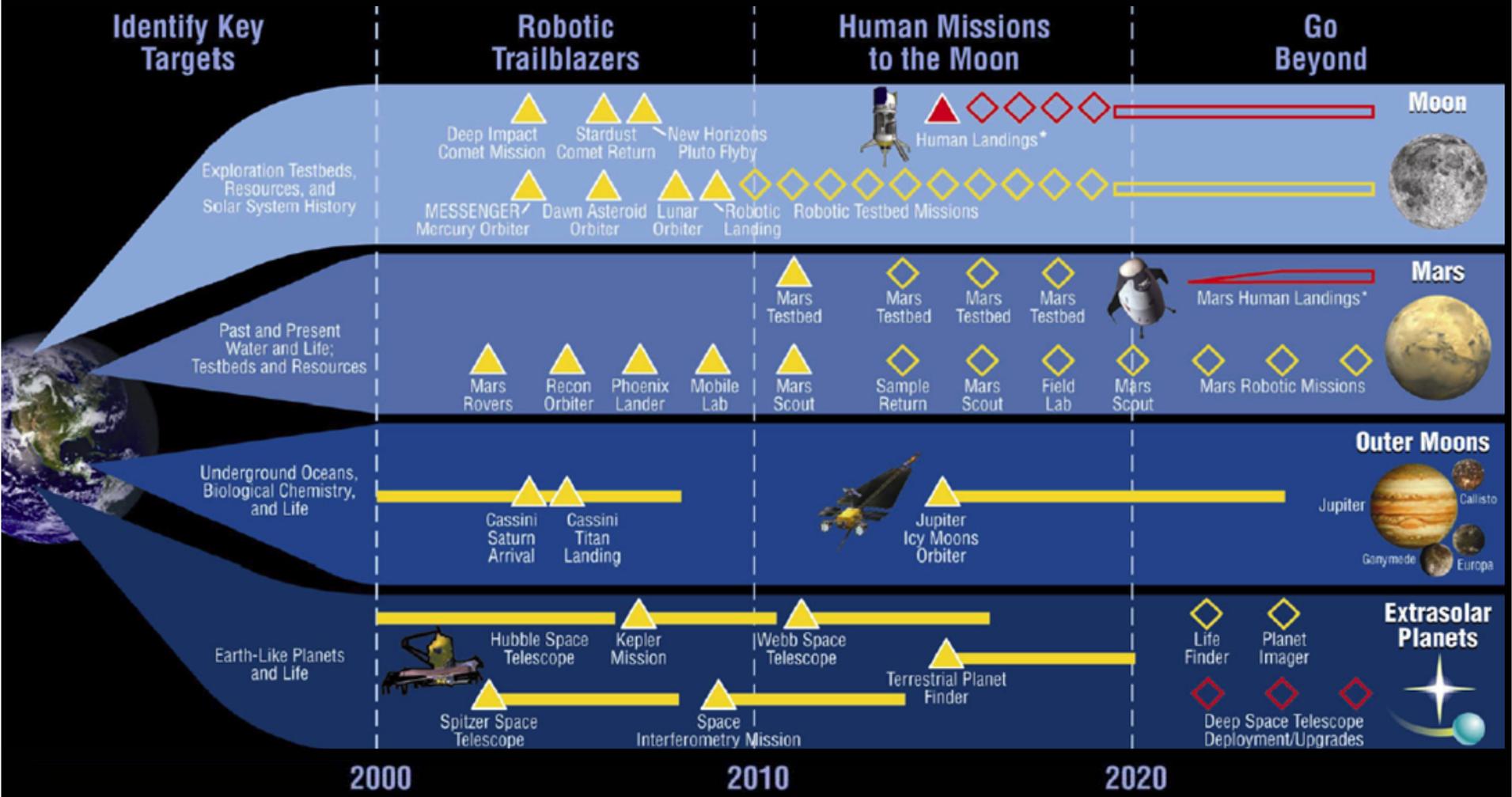
Scout

Deep Drill Lander

OR

Network Landers

The Vision for Space Exploration: Missions



The Vision for Space Exploration: Mars

Human Missions
to the Moon

Go
Beyond



Mars



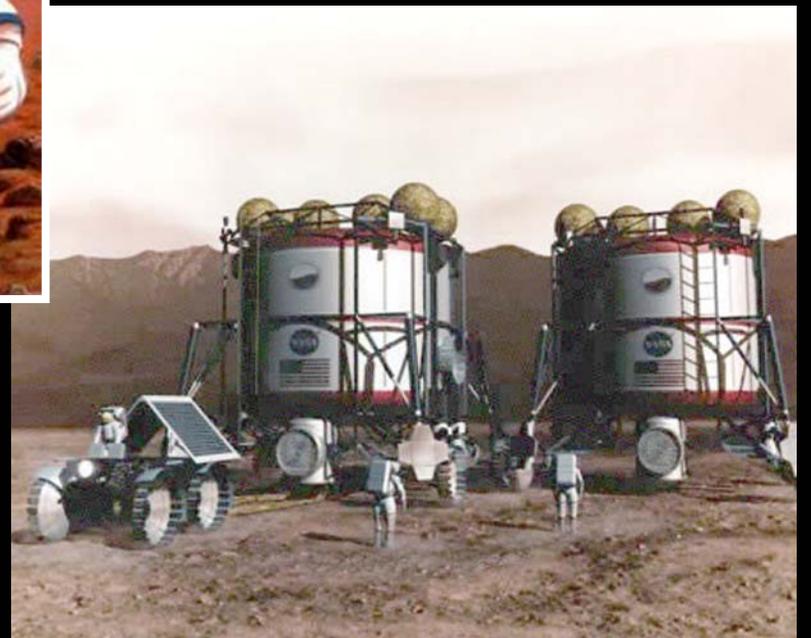
2010

2020

Mars Sample Return



Future Mars Exploration: Human Exploration and Science



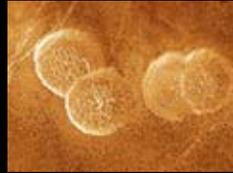
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Mars
Exploration
Program



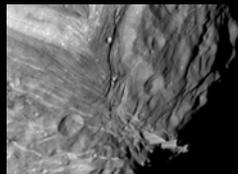
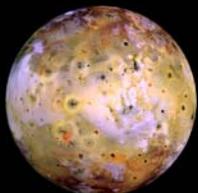
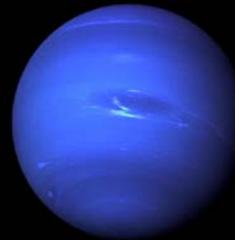
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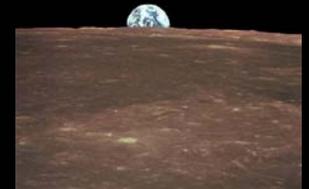
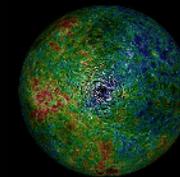
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The Moon

Solar System Exploration Programs

Titan prebiotic chemistry and the Saturnian system



Cassini-Huygens

Liquid water and habitable environments



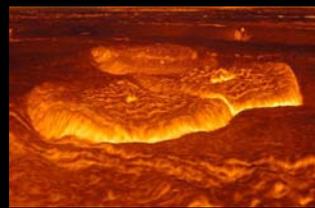
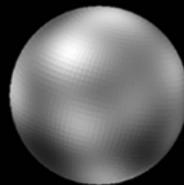
Jupiter Icy Moons Orbiter

Formation and Evolution of Planetary Environments (competed missions)



Moon

Pluto



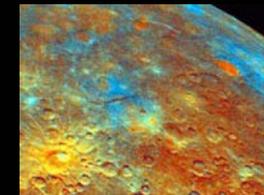
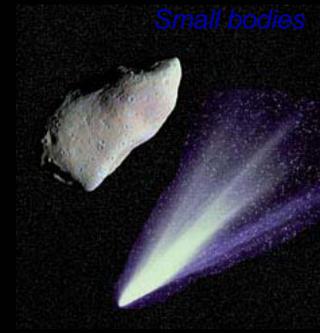
Venus



Jupiter



Small bodies



Inner planets



Comets

New Frontiers: Medium missions

Discovery : Small missions

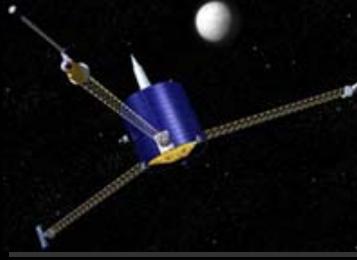
Discovery Missions

Completed

Mars evolution:
Mars Pathfinder



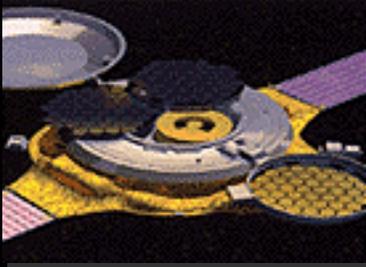
Lunar formation:
Lunar Prospector



NEO characteristics:
NEAR



Solar wind sampling:
Genesis



Comet diversity:
CONTOUR

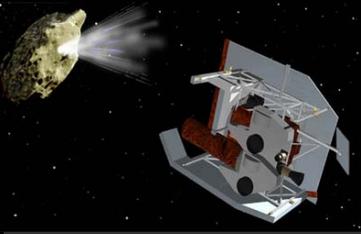


Nature of dust/coma:
Stardust

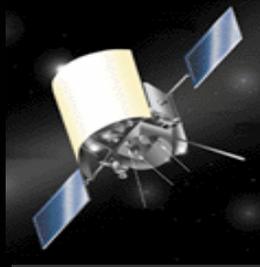


In Flight

Comet internal structure:
Deep Impact



Mercury environment:
MESSENGER



Main-belt asteroids:
Dawn

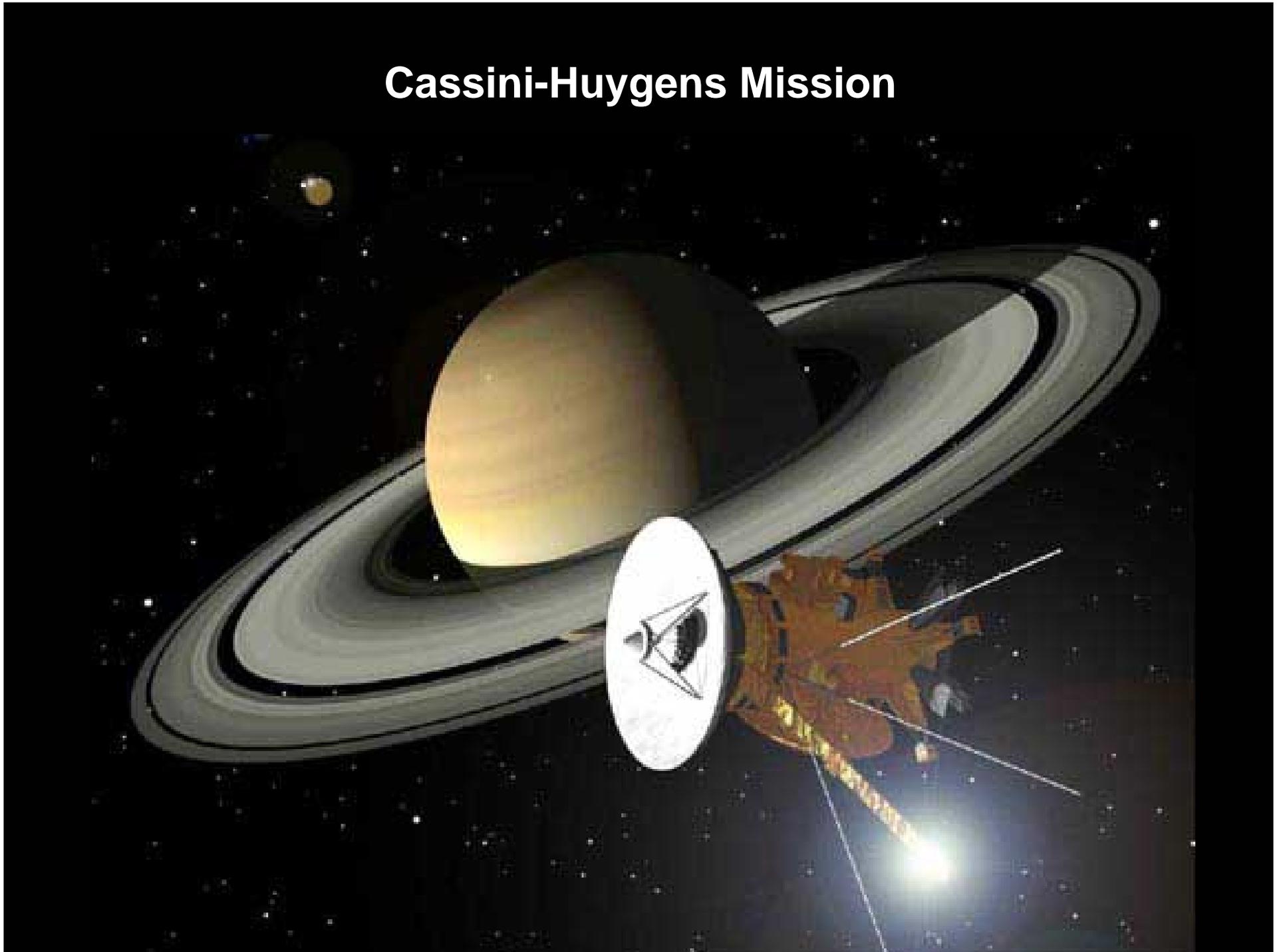


Extra-solar planets:
Kepler

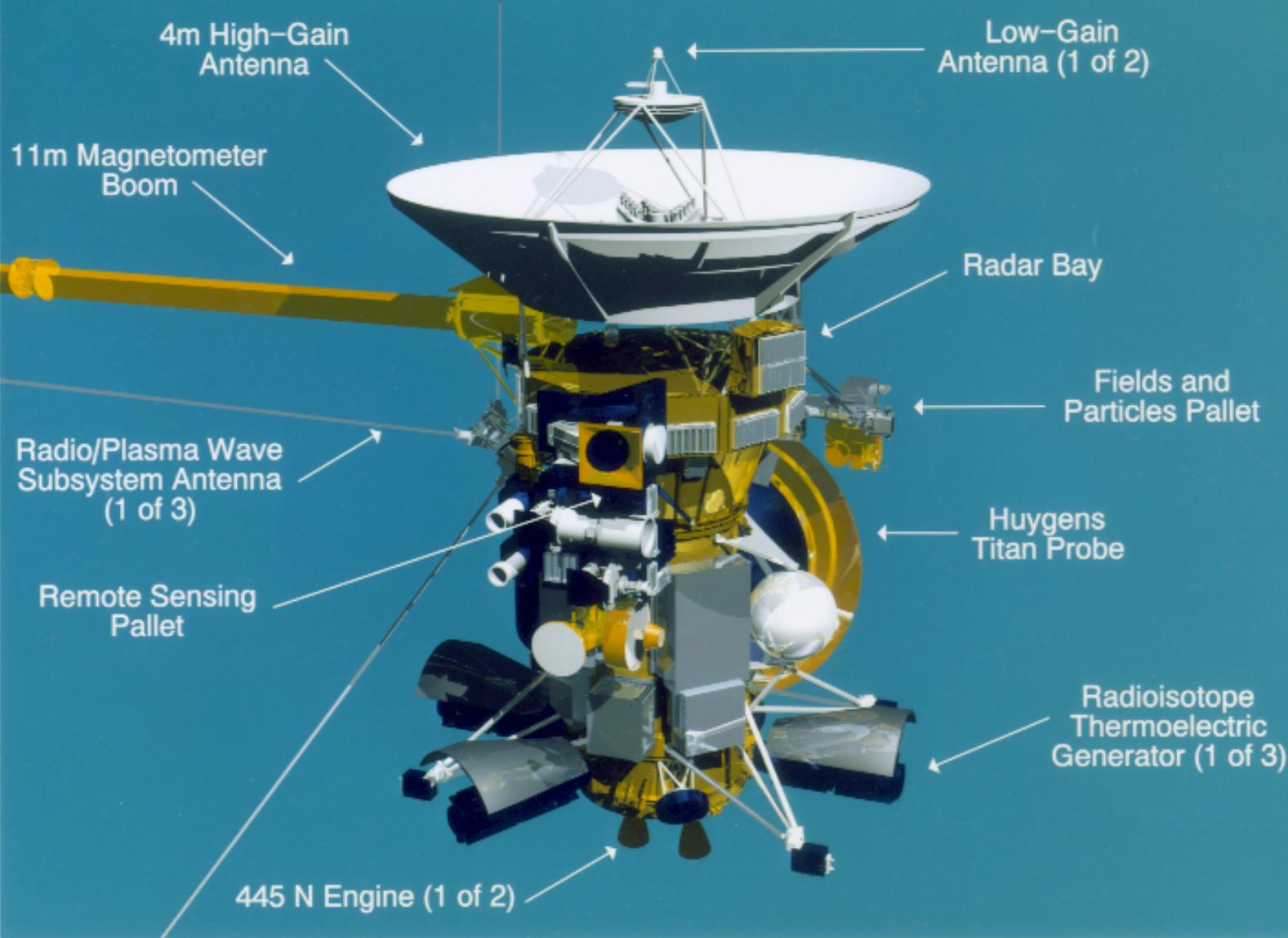


In Development

Cassini-Huygens Mission



CASSINI SPACECRAFT





VENUS 1 FLYBY
26 APR 1998

VENUS 2 FLYBY
24 JUN 1999

VENUS TARGETING MANEUVER
3 DEC 1998

LAUNCH
15 OCT 1997

EARTH FLYBY
18 AUG 1999

SATURN ORBIT INSERTION
1 JUL 2004

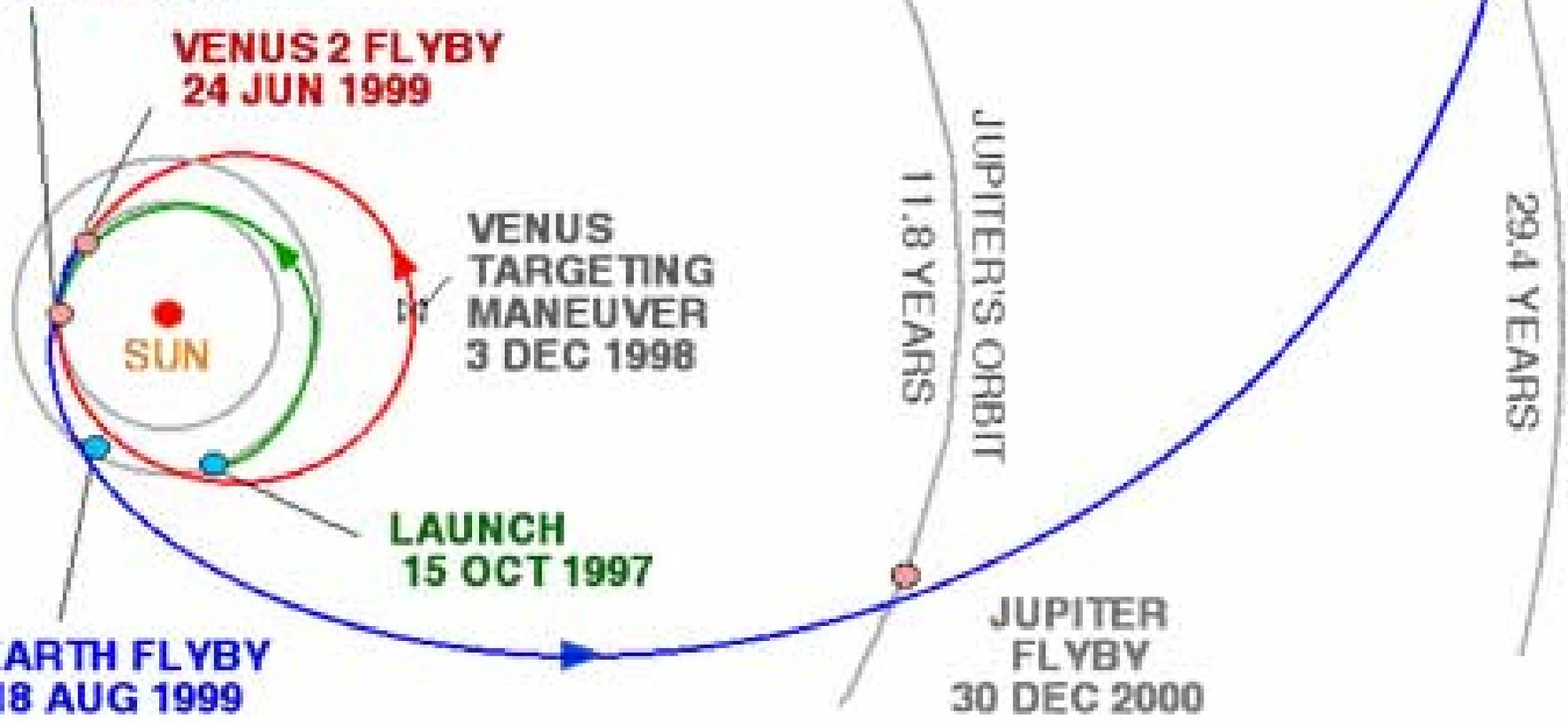
11.8 YEARS

JUPITER'S ORBIT

JUPITER FLYBY
30 DEC 2000

29.4 YEARS

SATURN'S ORBIT



Cassini-Huygens Approaches Orbital Insertion

A close-up view of Saturn's rings and the planet's surface. The rings are dark and layered, curving away from the planet. The planet's surface is a pale yellowish-tan color, showing some atmospheric features. The background is black, suggesting space.

Image acquired on
May 21, 2004

Stay tuned for much much more!!

Office of Competed Missions and Science Instruments

- For the Office of Competed Missions and Science Instruments program, there is one potential industry procurement, and that is for planetary spacecraft
- Opportunities over the next 3-5 years include:
 - Discovery 2004
 - Teaming arrangements already in place for this opportunity
 - Discovery 2006
 - Time frame: calendar 2005
 - Mars Scout 2011
 - Time frame: calendar 2005-6
 - Discovery 2008
 - Time frame: calendar 2008



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NOTE: Actual timeframe for future Discovery and Mars Scout opportunities are subject to the vagaries of NASA funding, of course

Mars Telecommunication Orbiter Project

Project Focus: Develop a flight and ground system for launch in 2009. Key attributes of this project include:

- Robust relay communication capabilities
- Demonstration of new technology including laser communication between Mars and Earth; autonomous navigation, rendezvous with orbital assets
- Orbital science experiment

NASA Technology Teaming Opportunities:

- Industry procurement of the flight system
 - Large orbiter class spacecraft
- Industry procurement of X and Ka band microwave communication equipment
- Components of rendezvous and auto-navigation demonstrations (gimbals, orbital sample canister, uhf beacon)



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Life Detection Science & Technology Program

Office Focus: Development of life detection science strategies, in situ sensors and instruments through advanced micro-, bio-, and nano-technology

NASA Technology Teaming Opportunities:

- **Office of Space Science Research Announcements for astrobiology technology development and planetary protection**
- **Office of Exploration Systems Announcements for advanced sensors, electronics, and nanotechnology**
- **Office of Biological and Physical Research Research Announcements on environmental monitoring and controls systems for crewed vehicles**

Non-NASA Teaming Opportunities:

- **Targeted funding opportunities with DARPA, FAA, NIH, and other government agencies that are synergistic with the office focus on physical, chemical, and biological sensing methods**



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Space Exploration Technology Program

Office Focus: Develop technologies to meet the needs of the Solar System Exploration Programs and the Exploration Systems Office, in the following areas:

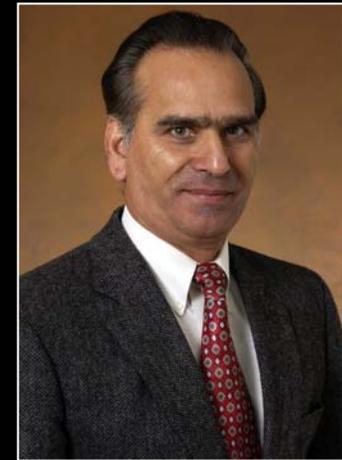
- Power
- Propulsion
- Entry/Descent Landing
- Avionics
- Mobility/Robotics/Sample Acquisition

NASA Technology Teaming Opportunities:
Opportunities exist to team up with JPL to respond to the following NASA Office of Space Science (Code S) and Office of Exploration Systems (Code T) solicitations:

1. New Millennium Program
2. In-Space Propulsion Technology Program
3. Prometheus Technology Program
4. Human & Robotics Technology Program (Code T)

Non-NASA Technology Teaming Opportunities:

Opportunities exist to team up with JPL and jointly respond to non-NASA prospects in the above mentioned technology areas.



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Mars Science Laboratory Project

Project Objectives: Develop a mission to Mars to launch in the 2009 which:

- is a mobile science laboratory
- has a mission lifetime of hundreds of days on the surface
- can be targeted over a range of latitudes and altitudes, and
- utilizes propulsion and guided entry to land at selected sites.

NASA Teaming Opportunities:

Opportunities exist to respond to the following project solicitations:

- Cruise stage, lander and rover subsystems (FY'06)
- Mechanical hardware fabrication (FY'07)
- Ground software development (FY'06 – FY'07)
- Support contractors (FY'06 – FY'08)



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New Millennium Program

A program to identify and flight validate breakthrough technologies that will significantly benefit future Space Science missions.

- Technology -Focused Projects
- Breakthrough Technologies Requiring Flight Validation
- Multi-Mission Technology Benefits
- Partnership/Shared Launches



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Integrated System and Subsystem Experiment Validation Projects

Opportunity	Solicitation	Launch
Space Technology 8 (subsystem)	08/02 – Technology Providers	late 2007
Space Technology 8 (spacecraft)	03/05 – Spacecraft Procurement	late 2007
Space Technology 9 (system)	07/03 – System Concepts 6/04 – Technology Providers	early 2009 early 2009
Space Technology 10 (subsystem)	10/06 – Technology Providers	late 2010
Space Technology 10 (spacecraft)	3/07 – Spacecraft Procurement	late 2010
Space Technology 11 (system)	10/07 – System Concepts 3/08 – Technology Providers	early 2012 early 2012

Solar System Exploration Programs Technology Programs

Office Focus:

- Define the technology vision and formulate strategic plan for solar system exploration programs at JPL
- Integrate directorate's technology programs to achieve alignment with the vision and strategic needs
- Foster partnerships with other NASA Centers and technology providers for meeting solar system exploration technology needs.



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Solar System Exploration Technologies

Spacecraft Technologies	In Situ Exploration and Sample Return	Science Instruments
Deep Space Power	Entry Descent and Landing	Passive Remote Sensing
In Space Propulsion	Surface & Atmospheric Mobility	Active Remote Sensing
Avionics	Severe Environments Technologies	In Situ Sensing
Guidance, Navigation & Control	Sample Acquisition & Handling	Advanced Devices
Telecommunications	Planetary Protection	

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