A full-body image of an astronaut in an orange spacesuit, floating in space. The suit has a NASA patch on the chest and a US flag on the sleeve. The astronaut's helmet is black with a white visor. The background is a deep blue space with stars and a bright light source on the left.

Commercial Crew Program and Orion/SLS Updates

The Next Steps in U.S. Space Transportation

***Stephanie D. Wilson
NASA Astronaut***

HUMAN EXPLORATION

NASA's Path to Mars

National Aeronautics and
Space Administration



EARTH RELIANT

MISSION: 6 TO 12 MONTHS
RETURN TO EARTH: HOURS

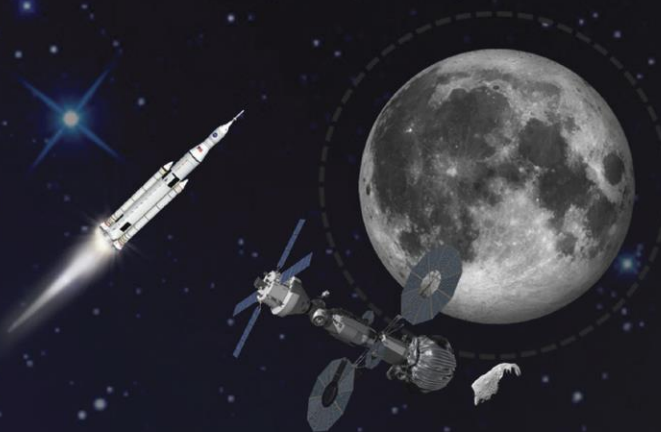


Mastering fundamentals
aboard the International
Space Station

U.S. companies
provide access to
low-Earth orbit

PROVING GROUND

MISSION: 1 TO 12 MONTHS
RETURN TO EARTH: DAYS



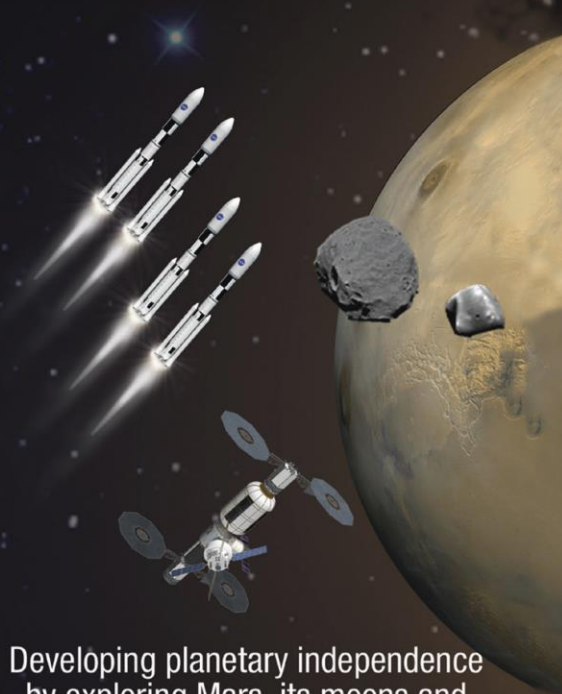
Expanding capabilities by
visiting an asteroid redirected
to a lunar distant retrograde orbit

The next step: traveling beyond low-Earth
orbit with the Space Launch System
rocket and Orion spacecraft



MARS READY

MISSION: 2 TO 3 YEARS
RETURN TO EARTH: MONTHS



Developing planetary independence
by exploring Mars, its moons and
other deep space destinations

Current and Future Human Spaceflight



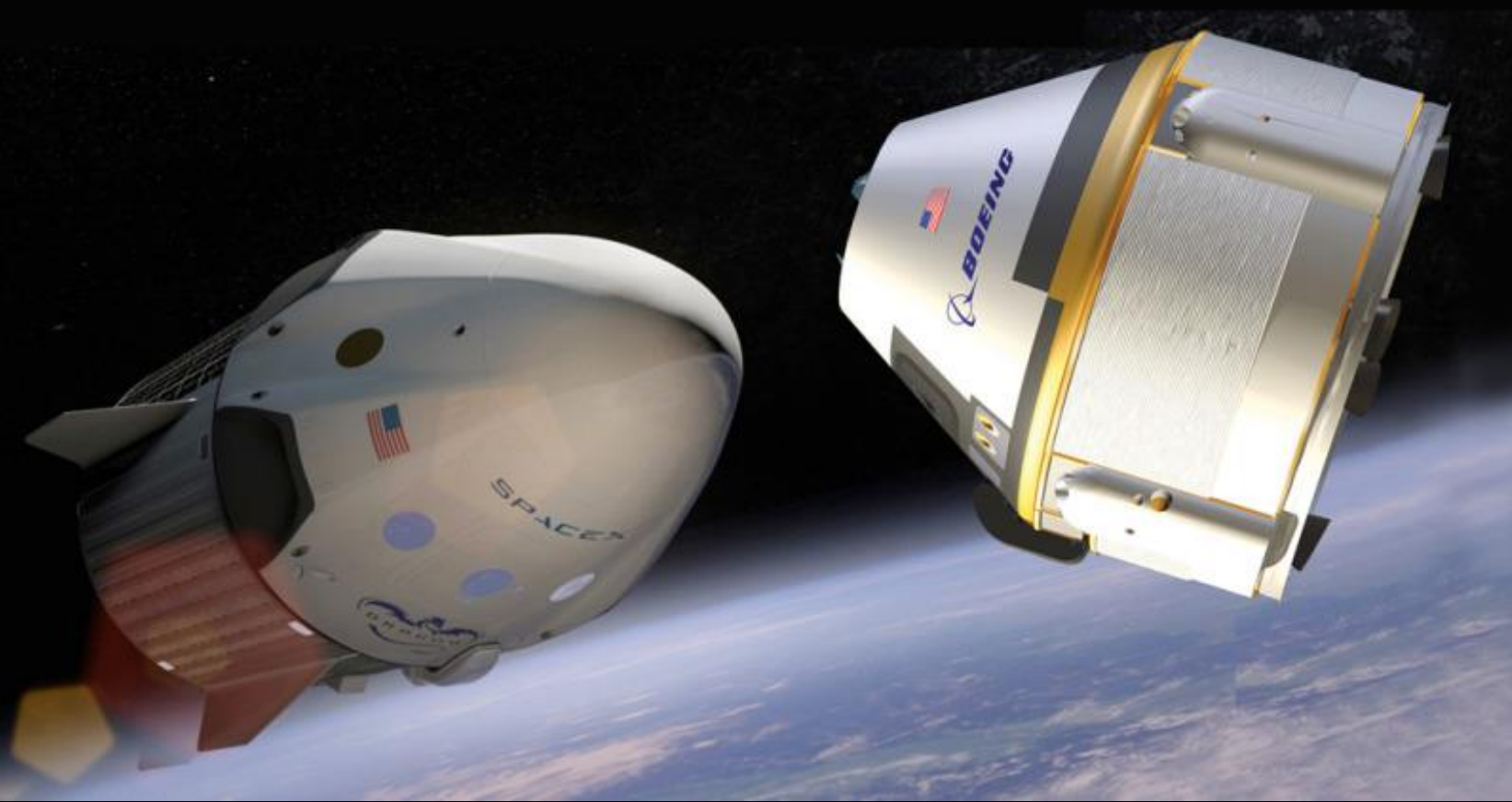
- 2015: (present day)
 - International Space Station (6 crew)
 - Soyuz 4 launches/year
 - ISS Resupply with International Partners (Progress, ATV, HTV)
 - ISS Resupply with Commercial Resupply Contract (Space-X and Orbital Sciences)
- ~2017 -2018
 - International Space Station (6+ Crew)
 - Soyuz 2 launches /year
 - Commercial Crew ~2 launches/year
 - ISS Resupply with International Partners (Progress, HTV)
 - ISS Resupply with Commercial Resupply Contract (new contract)
 - Orion Exploration Mission-1 (uncrewed, Circumlunar)
- ~2021
 - International Space Station (6+ Crew)
 - Soyuz 2 launches /year
 - Commercial Crew ~2 launches/year
 - ISS Resupply with International Partners (Progress, HTV)
 - ISS Resupply with Commercial Resupply Contract
 - Orion Exploration Mission-2 (crewed, Lunar orbit)



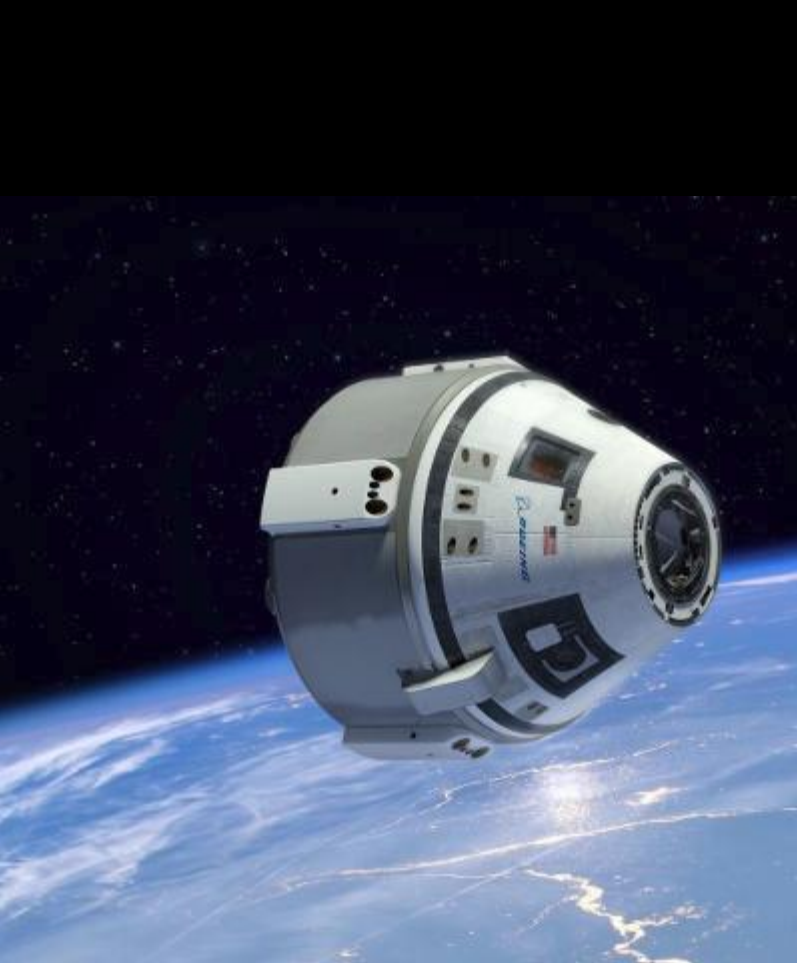
NASA

COMMERCIAL CREW

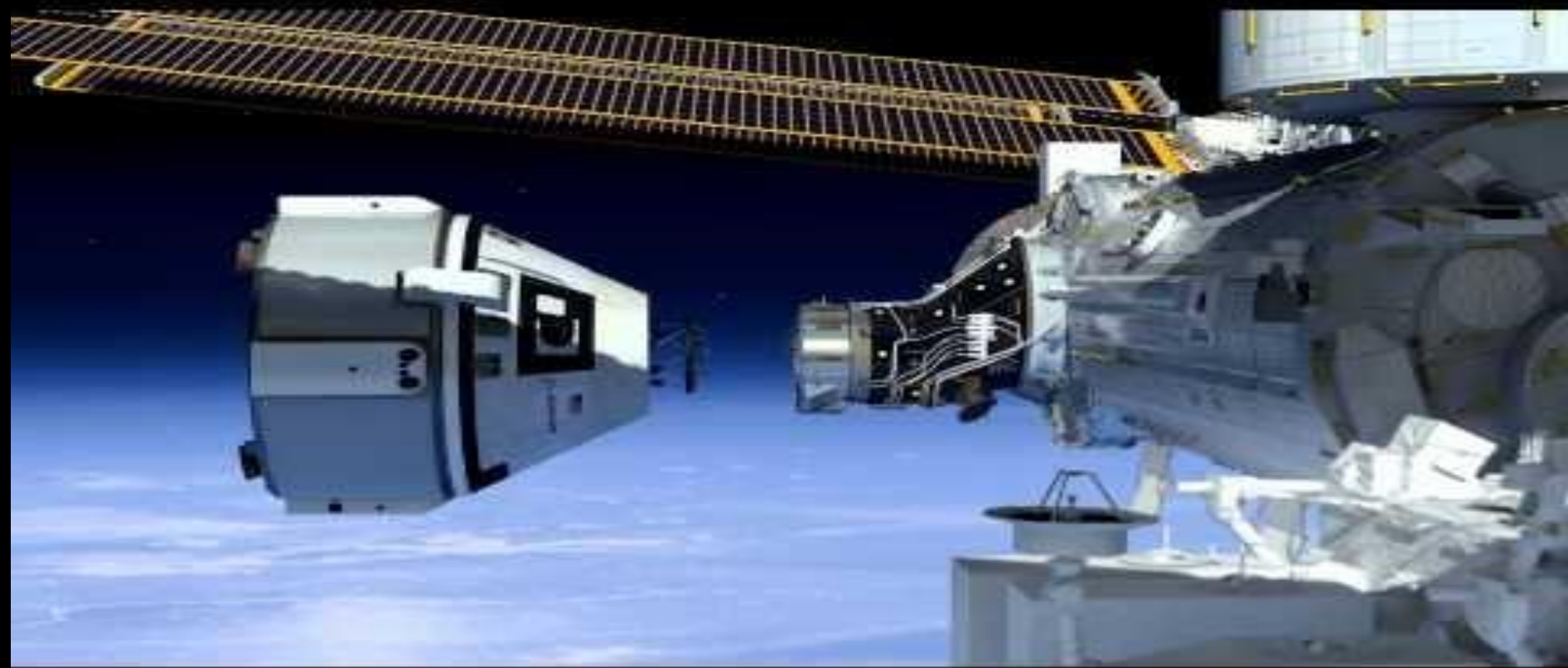
National Aeronautics and
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Boeing: CST-100 “Starliner”/ Atlas V



Boeing: CST-100 / Atlas V



Space X: Dragon / Falcon 9



Space X: Dragon Pad Abort Test



"These distinguished, veteran astronauts are blazing a new trail, a trail that will one day land them in the history books and Americans on the surface of Mars."

– Charles Bolden, NASA Administrator



LAUNCH AMERICA

COMMERCIAL CREW TRANSPORTATION





ORION

Space Launch System

21st Century Launch Operations



Orion Flight Manifest

FY
13

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EFT-1
2014



EM-1
2017
Uncrewed

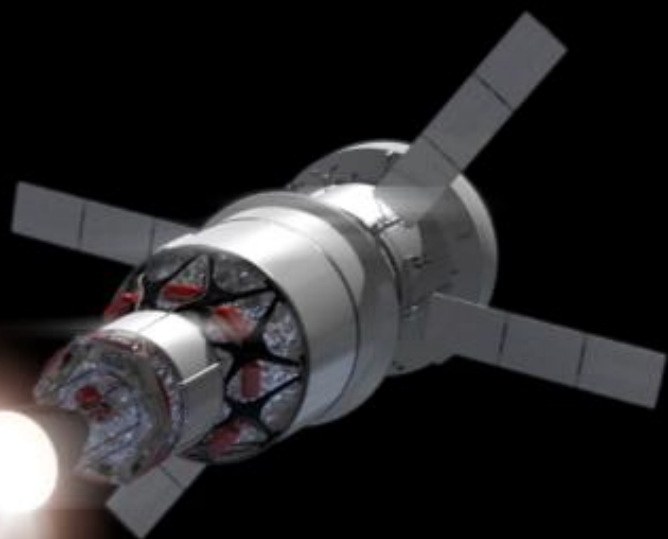


AA2
2018



EM-2
2021
Crewed

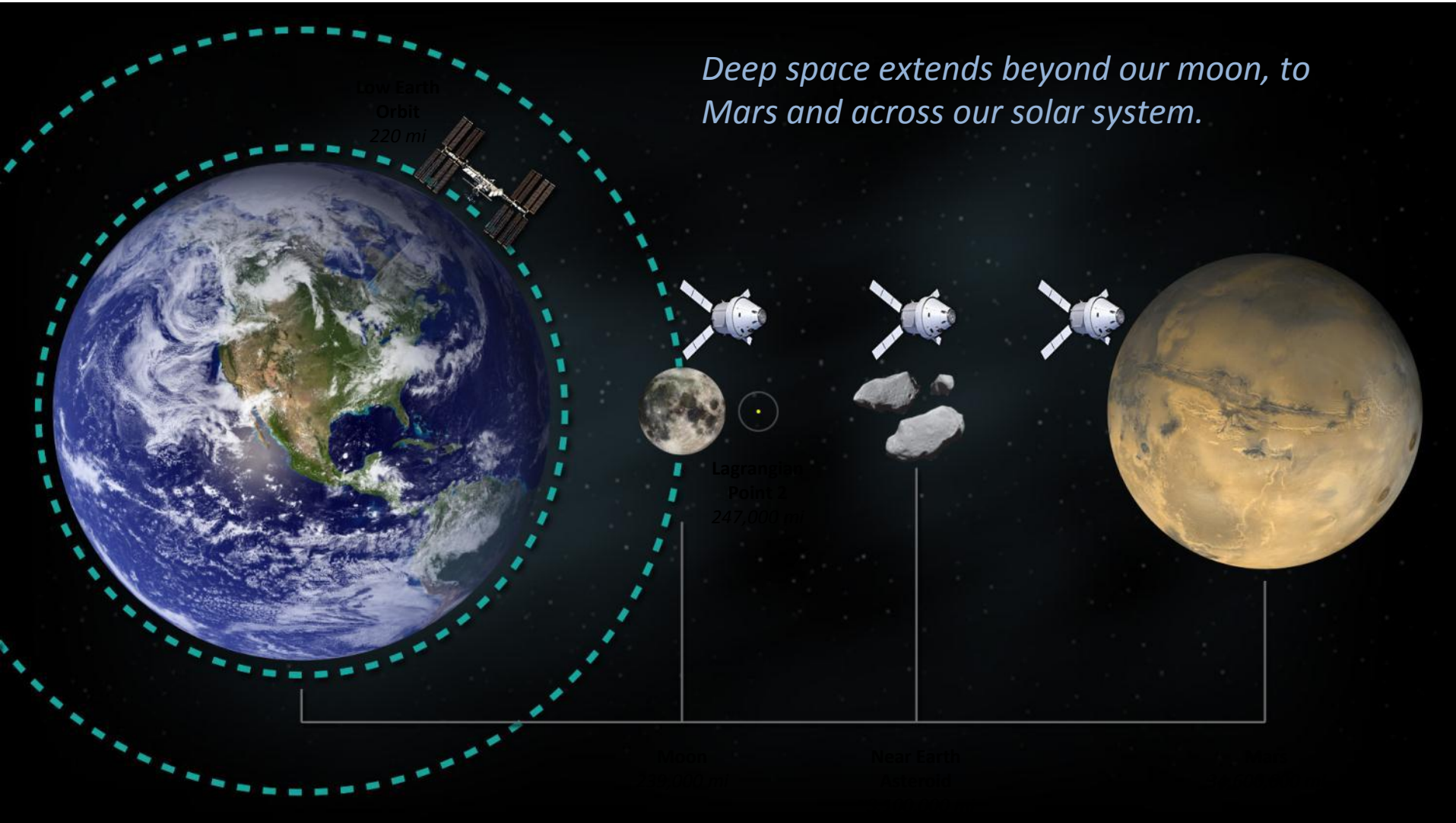




FIRST STEP TO DEEP SPACE



Future of NASA Human Exploration



Orion is built for going *Beyond Earth Orbit*

OXYGEN

BEO
190 L

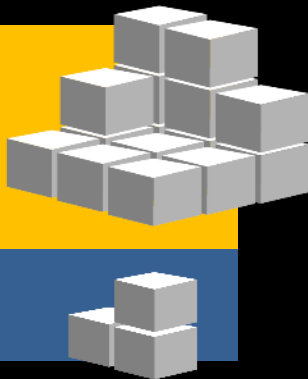
LEO
36 L



FOOD

BEO
14.8 FT³

LEO
2.8 FT³

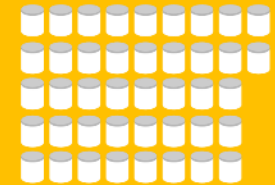


ADVANCED CARBON DIOXIDE REMOVAL SYSTEM



CARBON DIOXIDE FILTER

BEO
42



LEO
8



DRINKING WATER

BEO
210 Liters

LEO
40 Liters



BEO
18,965 lb

LEO
7,800 lb

PROPELLANT

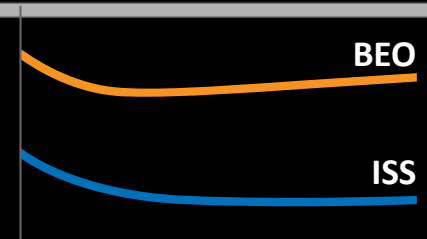
REENTRY SPEED

BEO 11.2 KM / SEC

LEO 7.8 KM / SEC

RADIATION

DOSE



SHIELDING

Exploration Mission Timeline



2010
PA-1



2014
EFT-1



2017
EM-1



2019
AA-2



2021
EM-2

Exploration Systems Development



SP
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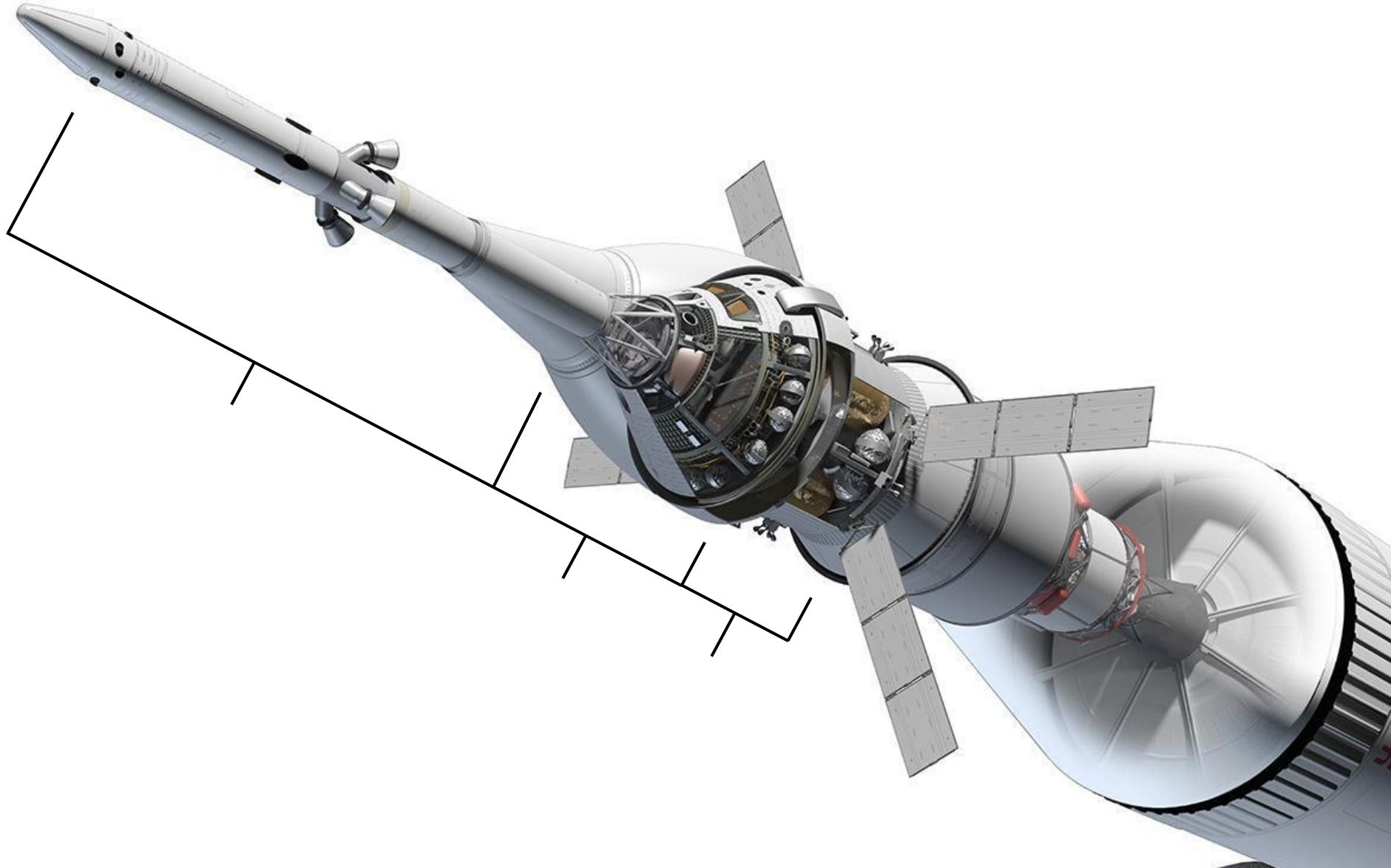
Delta I



launch

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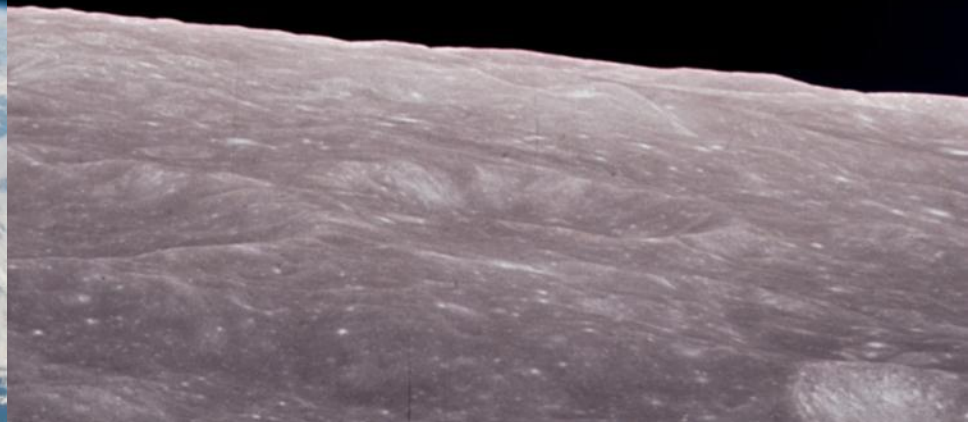
The Orion Spacecraft



Beyond Earth Orbit Crew Safety Complexity



45 MINUTES TO EARTH



5 TO 11 DAYS TO EARTH

Beyond Earth Orbit Crew Safety Complexity



Orion can sustain crew for nearly a week in a depressed cabin

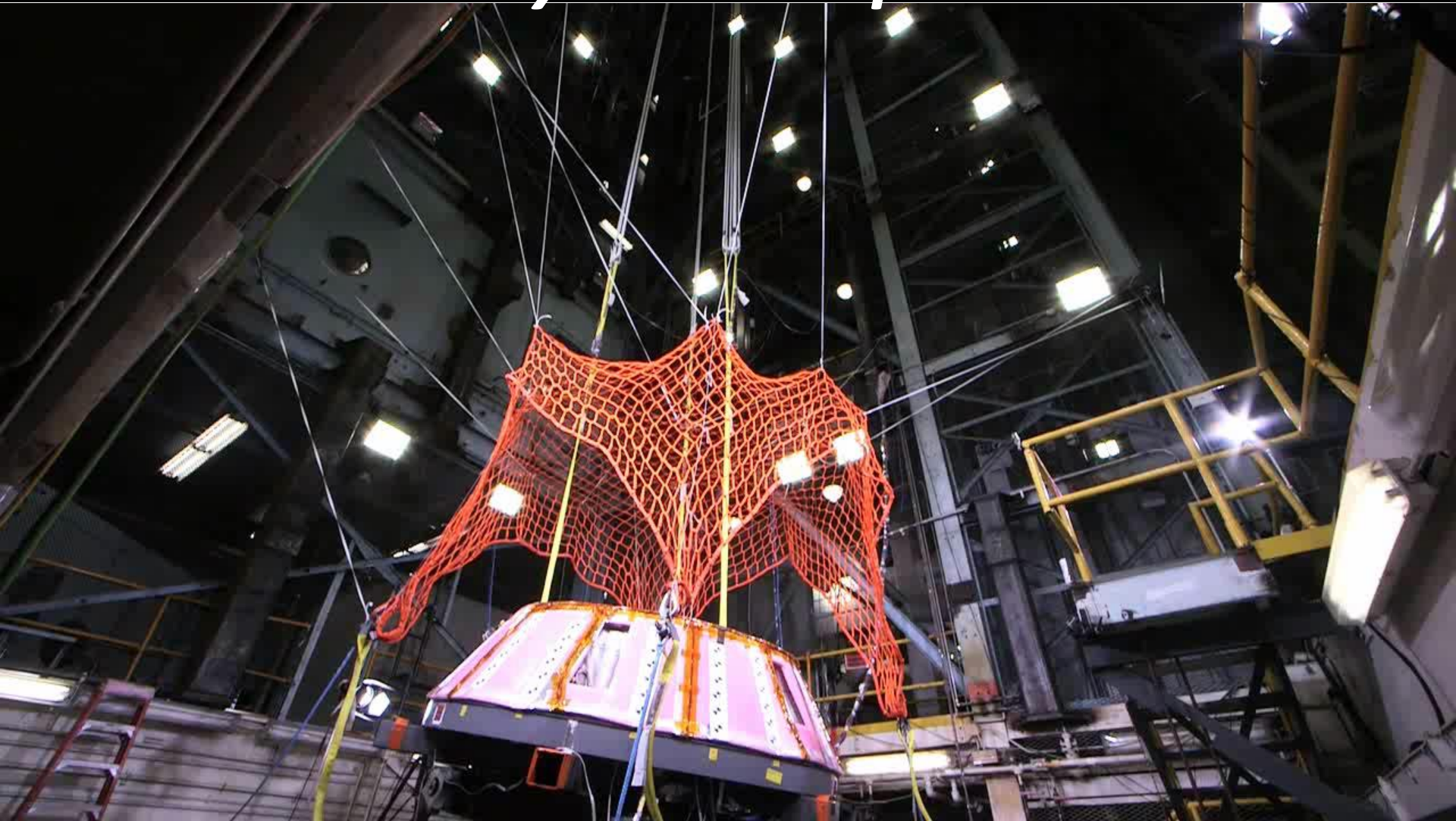
Launch Abort System



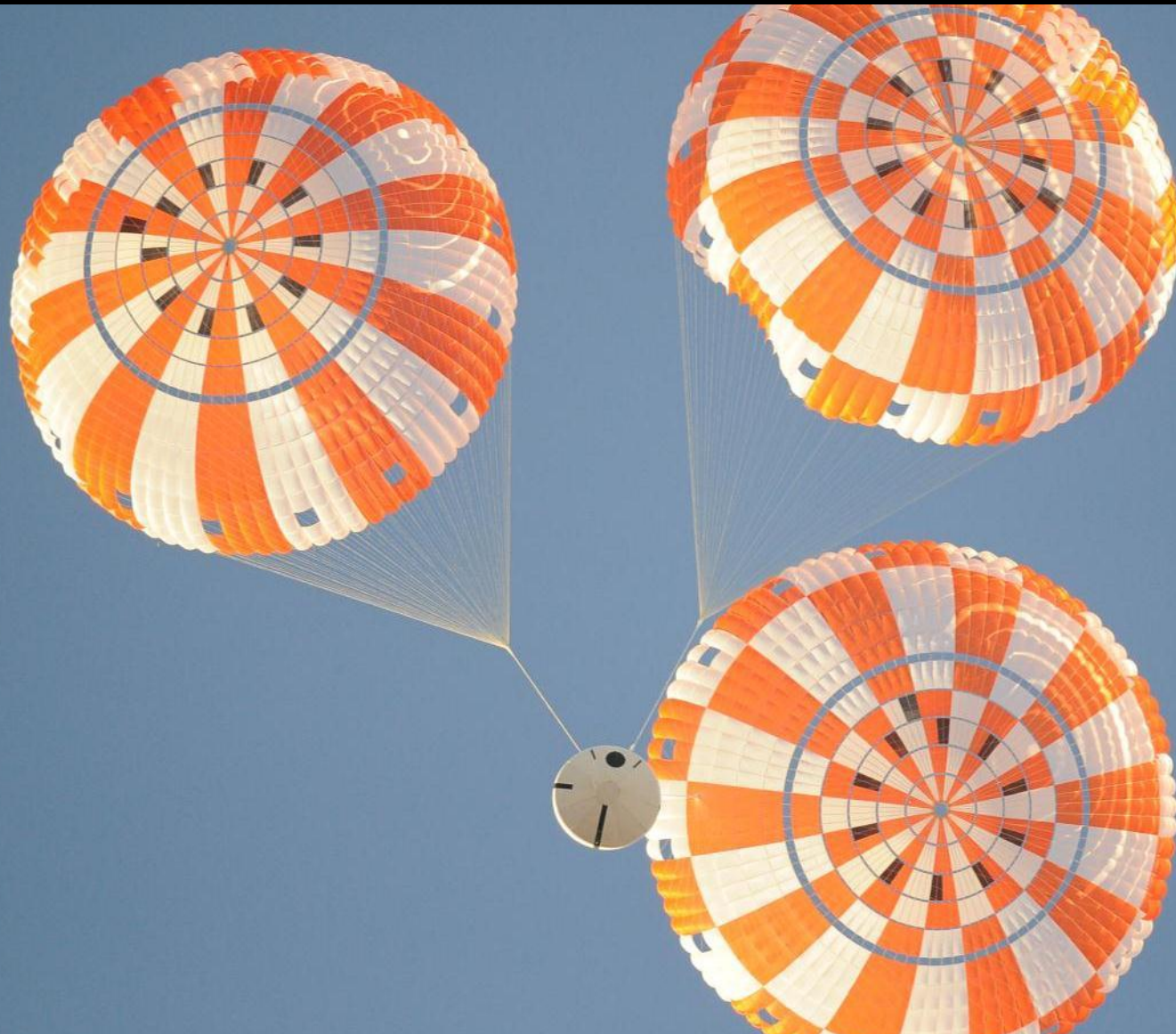
Service Module Fairing Separation Test



Forward Bay Cover Separation Test



Parachute Drop Tests



Parachute Drop Test



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Orion Continues International Space Station Legacy



EUROPEAN SPACE AGENCY SERVICE MODULE

Service Module



KENNEDY SPACE CENTER, FL

3000 Orion Team Members in 45 States





Crew Module



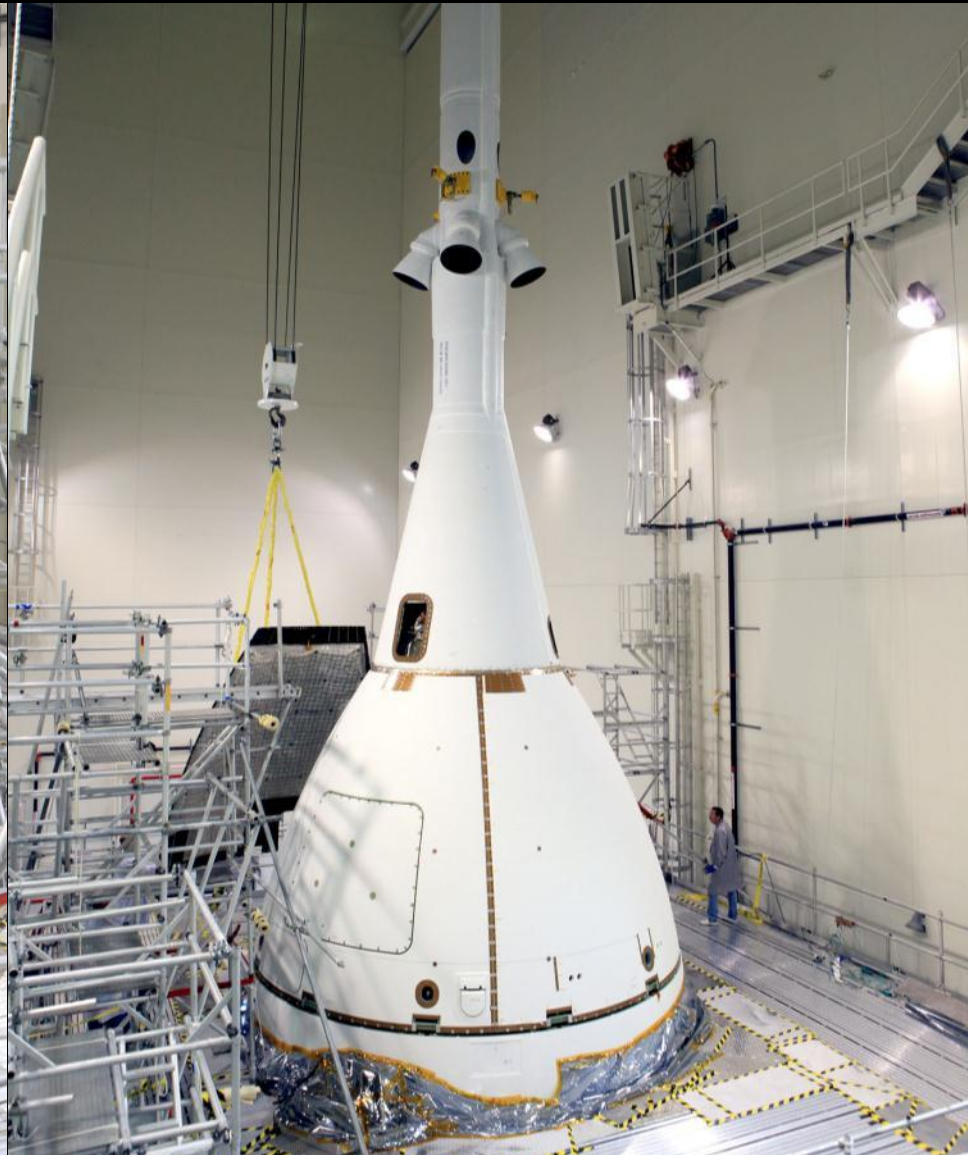
KENNEDY SPACE CENTER, FL

Crew Module



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Launch Abort System



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Astronauts helping design Orion



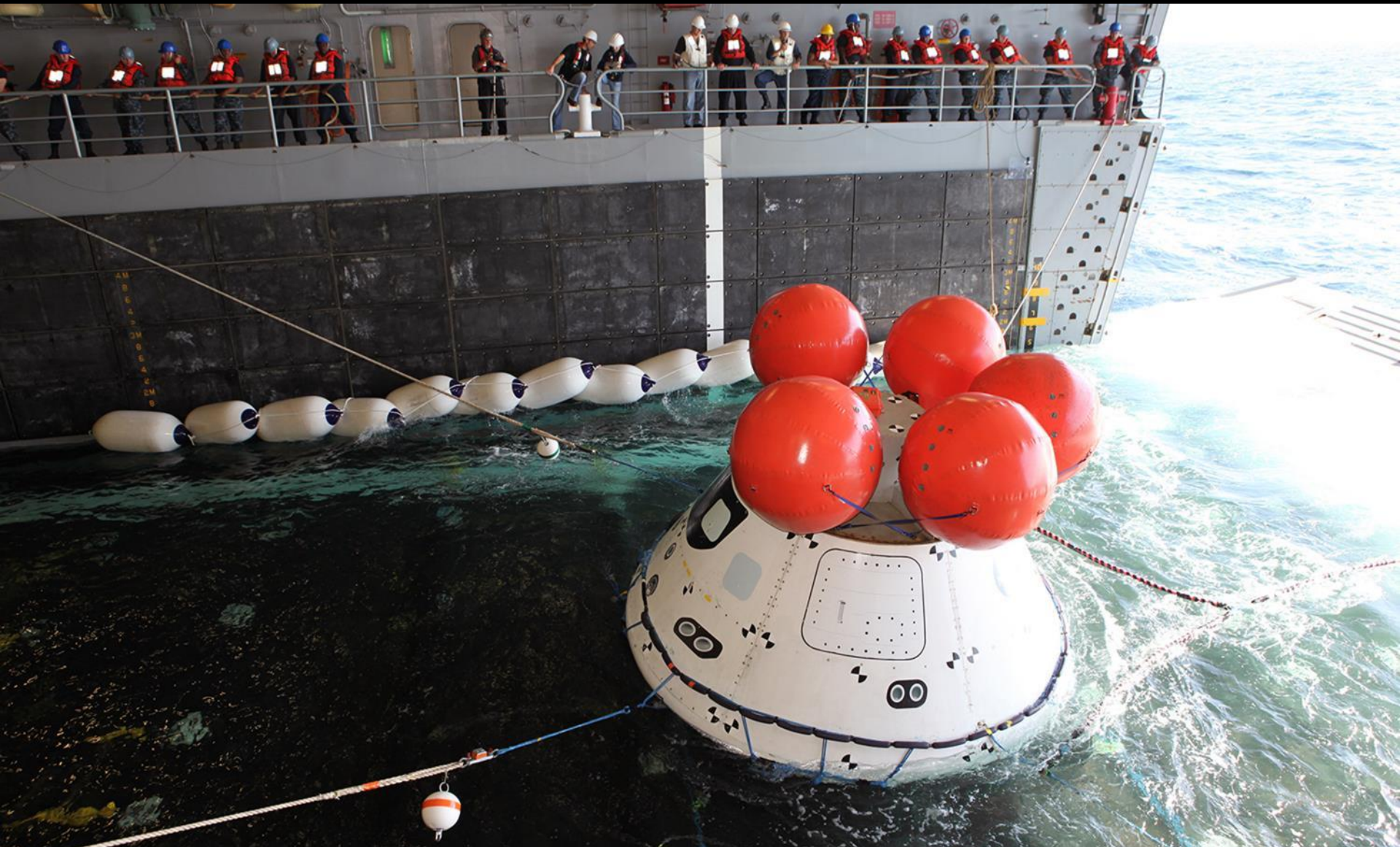
JOHNSON SPACE CENTER, TX

Mission Control Center



JOHNSON SPACE CENTER, TX

Underway Recovery Test



Underway Recovery Test

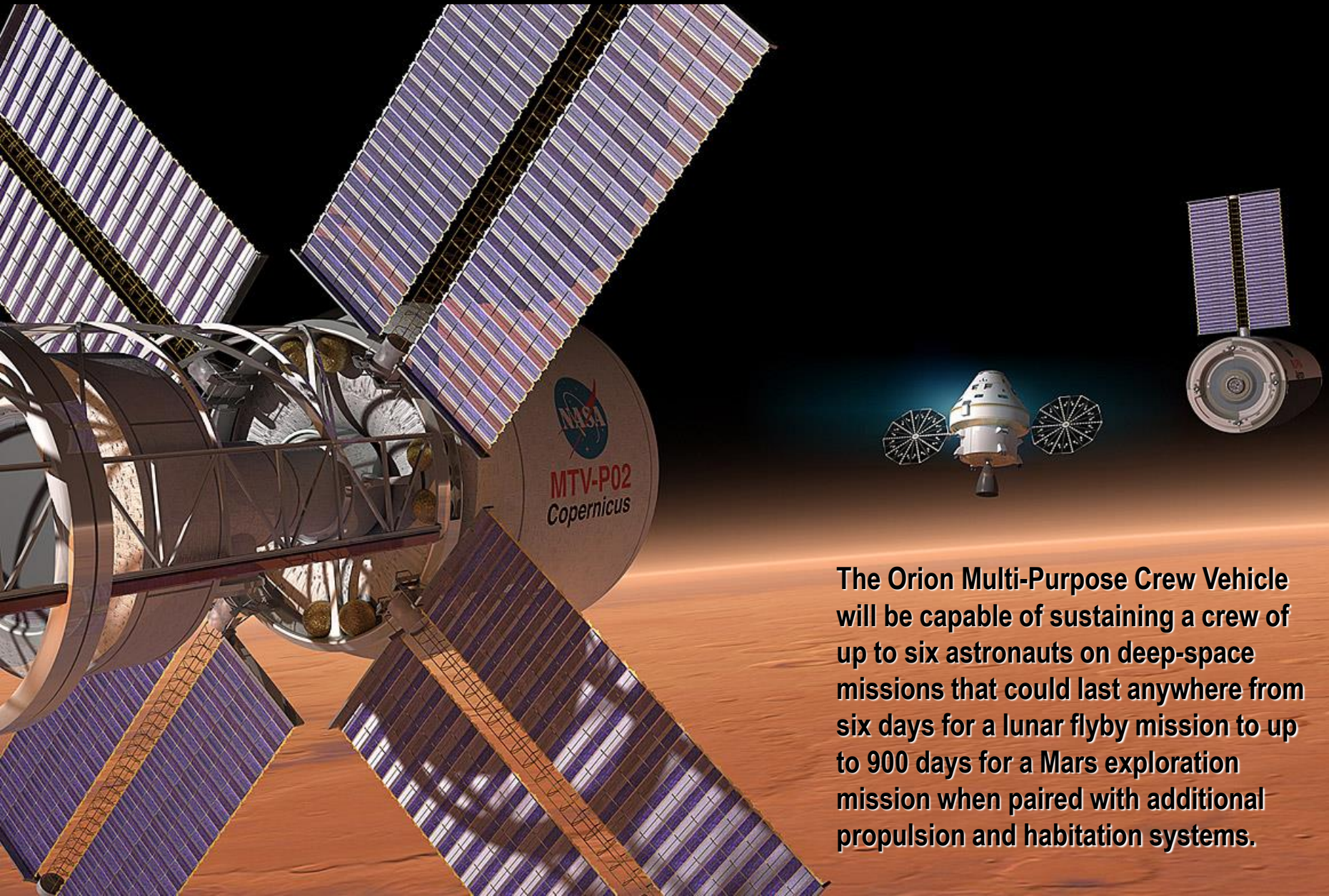


EFT-1 Launch Vehicle



CAPE CANAVERAL AIR FORCE STATION, FL

Deep Space Exploration Vehicle



The Orion Multi-Purpose Crew Vehicle will be capable of sustaining a crew of up to six astronauts on deep-space missions that could last anywhere from six days for a lunar flyby mission to up to 900 days for a Mars exploration mission when paired with additional propulsion and habitation systems.