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Intravenous Fluid Generation (IVGEN) for Exploration Missions

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Overview

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IVGEN Objectives

- Design a system to produce IV fluids including:
 - Compact water purification
 - Integrated reduced gravity pharmaceutical mixing
 - Product meeting USP standards
- Minimize volume and mass for the required production rate
- Filter capacity should be easily re-scalable to meet exploration requirements and constraints
- Submit IVGEN to a Technology Demonstration aboard the ISS

IVGEN Project History

- Laboratory Study for Microgravity Mixing
- Trade Studies for Technologies to Generate Medical Grade Water in Microgravity
- Laboratory Study for Technologies to Generate Medical Grade Water in Microgravity
- Flight Experiment (May 2010) and Flight Data Analysis
- Exploration Mission Design Recommendation



- Operate in the Microgravity Science Glovebox (MSG) on ISS
- Data Acquisition and Control Unit (DACU) handles data flow and storage
- Accumulator drives water flow through the system
- Purifier filters water and contains diagnostic instruments
- Mixer combines purified water with the sodium chloride



Accumulator



Purifier



Mixer



Mixing Bag



Collection Bag

IVGEN Exploration Design



Post Flight Hardware Analysis

- Visual inspection for damage, contamination, and/or deterioration
- Assess system's ability after sitting unused for two years
- Measure hold-up volume of system
- Test remaining Saline Bags

Ongoing Lifetime Testing

- Packaging material
- Packaging technique
- Cartridge material
- Resin volume



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