

Research Possibilities Beyond Deep Space Gateway February 28, 2018

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Research Facility Assumptions

Beyond Deep Space Gateway

- Ongoing crew & logistics supplies available
- Large volume launched on SLS, similar to the Deep Space Transport habitat but designed as a research laboratory
- Can be utilized for Mars Transport demonstrations in the cis-lunar environment including dedicated 300 to 1000 day mission durations

Permanent facility in cis-lunar space

- Support deep space science and engineering research, technology and systems development, and technology and mission demonstrations
- Support in-situ resource utilization development and testing from lunar and asteroid resources
- Support long-term human research and deep space operations in the cis-lunar environment

Continuous presence

- 4 to 6 crew for ongoing operations
- 8 to 12 crew during rotation



ICPS - Interim Cryogenic Propulsion Stage USA – Universal Stage Adapter CPL – Co-manifested Payload EUS – Exploration Upper Stage PLF – Payload Fairing

Figure 3-2. SLS Block Configurations



SLS Derived Module





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Research Laboratory Layout

Main Deck





Research Laboratory Layout

Upper & Lower Decks



Legend







Materials & Geological Research

(assumes availability of lunar and asteroid materials for in-situ resource utilization development)

- Workstation 1: Physical Sciences
- Multi-purpose Glovebox
- Research Lab 1: Scanning Electron Microscope
- Research Lab 2: Gas Chromatography Mass Spectrometer
- Window and Sample Stowage 1: Freezer/Incubator for Geo samples
- Thermal/Vacuum Control System

Medical Research

- Workstation 2: Medical and Life Sciences
- Waste Management with access to medical & life sciences
- Sample Stowage 2: Freezer/Incubator for Bio samples

Zoology Research

- (space environments research on life forms)
- Research Lab 4: Live Animal Quarters
- Life sciences glovebox & cold sample storage

• Astronomy

- Window observational research facility
- Exterior equipment tele-workstation
- Portable equipment for additional locations
- Physics
 - Research Lab 5: Microgravity Lab

Engineering Research

- Experimental shower & experimental washer & dryer facilities (includes waste water recycling development)
- Workstations 3 & 4: Maintenance workstation including
 3d printer equipment and printer materials processing
- Botany
 - Research Lab 6: Plant growth chamber
 - Life sciences glovebox (botany)
- External Payloads
 - Cameras, Telescopes & Detectors
 - Robotic arm, internal tele-robotic workstation
 - EVA Airlock & Materials Sample Airlock