

The Future of Exploration and Technology Innovation

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The National Aeronautics and Space Administration



**Human Exploration
and Operations**



**Space
Technology**



Science



Aeronautics Research

Manufacturing and materials are critical to all NASA Mission Areas.

NASA Space Technology Portfolio

**Transformative & Crosscutting
Technology Breakthroughs**

**Technology
Demonstration
Missions**



**Small
Spacecraft
Technology
Program**

**Game Changing
Development**



**Pioneering
Concepts/Developing
Innovation Community**

**NASA Innovative
Advanced
Concepts (NIAC)**



**Space Technology
Research**

**Center Innovation
Fund**



**Creating Markets &
Growing
Innovation Economy**

**Centennial
Challenges**

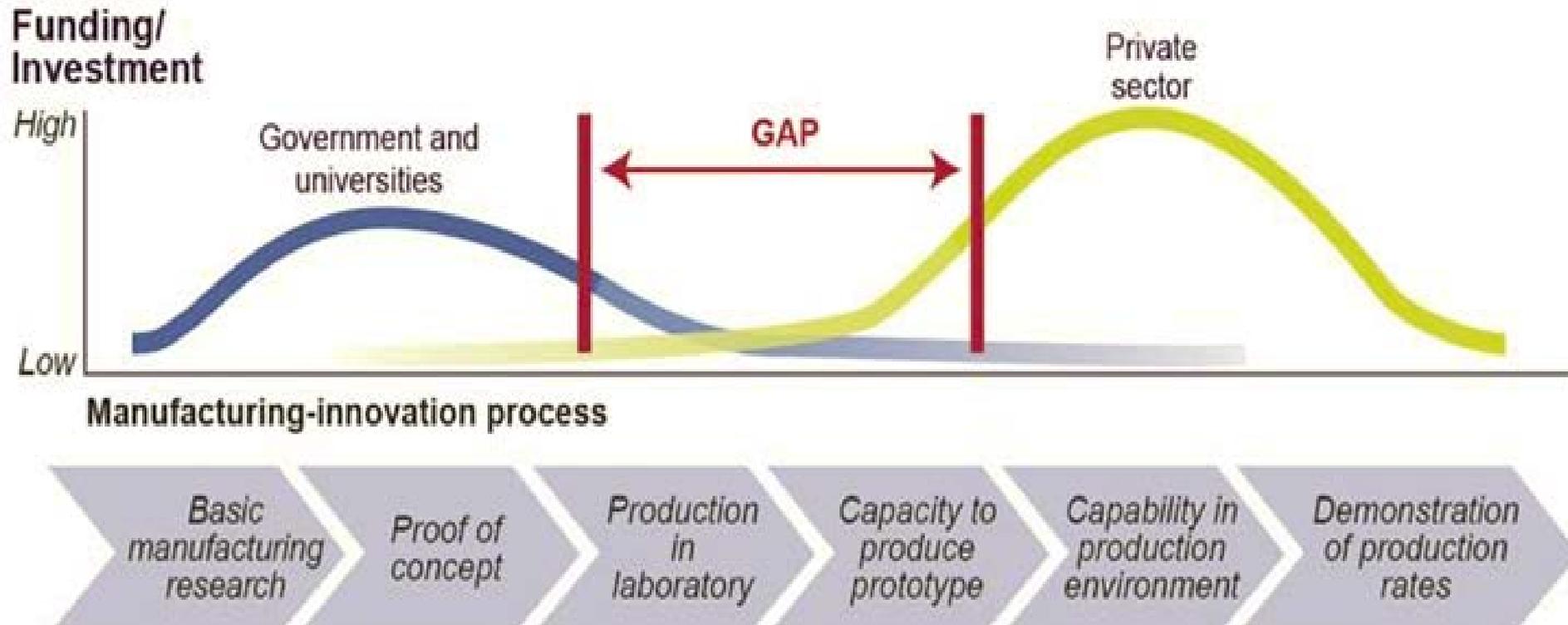


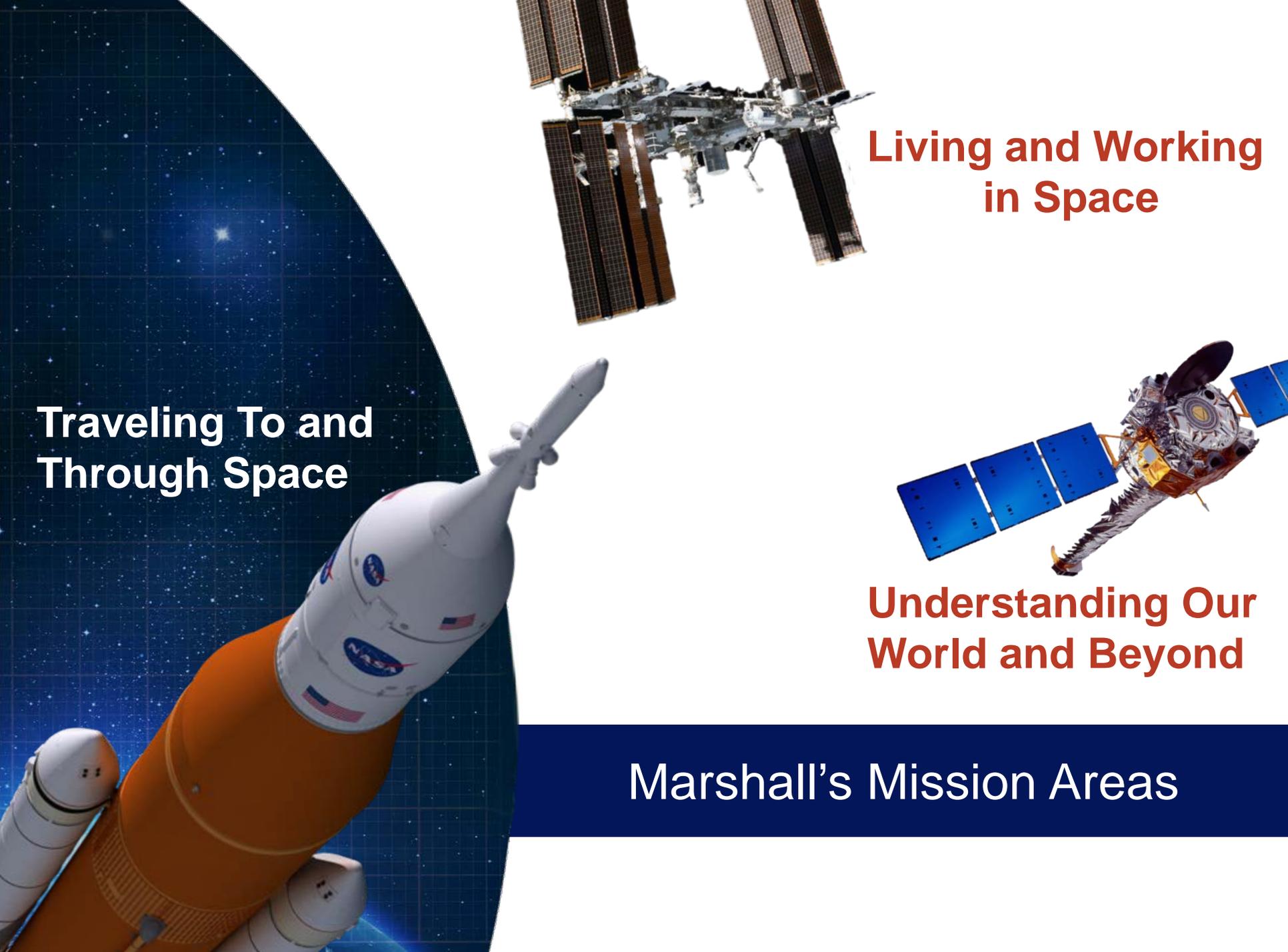
**Flight
Opportunities**

**Small Business
Innovation
Research (SBIR)
and Small
Business
Technology
Transfer (STTR)**



Filling the Gap from Low TRL to Production





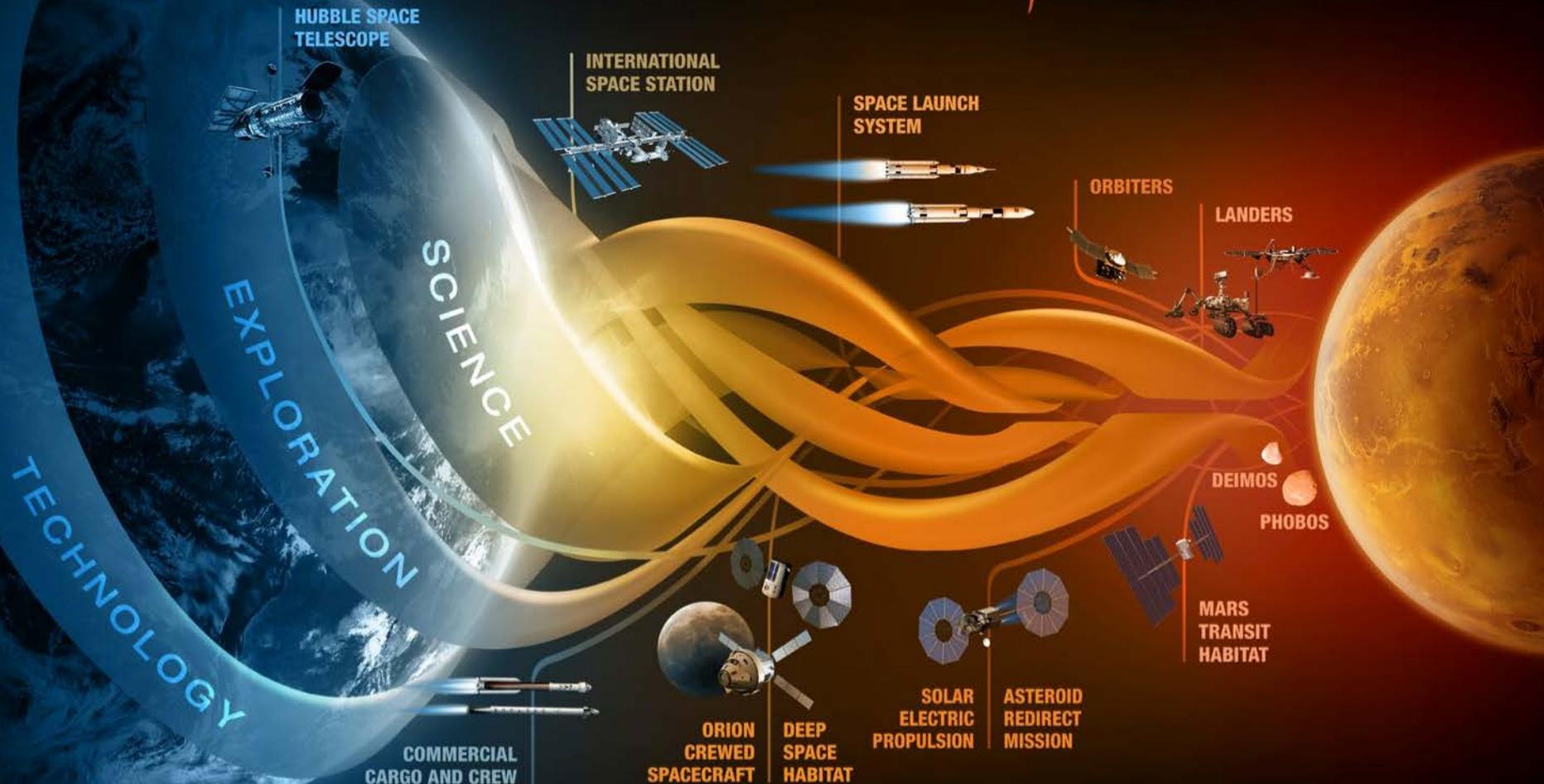
**Traveling To and
Through Space**

**Living and Working
in Space**

**Understanding Our
World and Beyond**

Marshall's Mission Areas

JOURNEY TO MARS



MISSIONS: 6-12 MONTHS
RETURN: HOURS

EARTH RELIANT

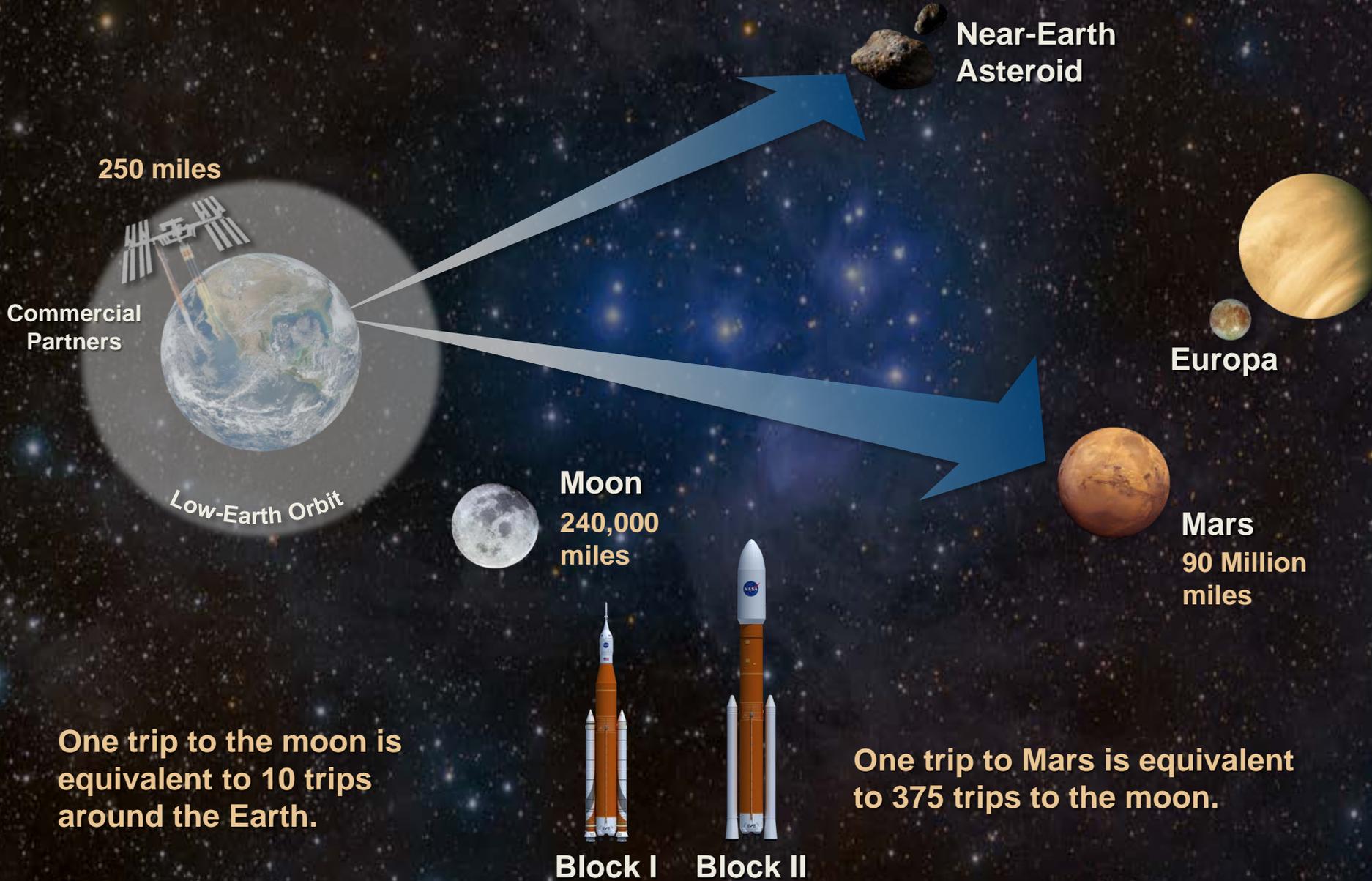
MISSIONS: 1 TO 12 MONTHS
RETURN: DAYS

PROVING GROUND

MISSIONS: 2 TO 3 YEARS
RETURN: MONTHS

EARTH INDEPENDENT

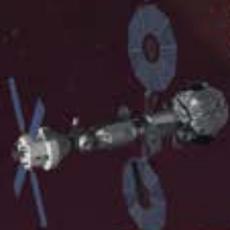
Traveling to Beyond Earth Orbit



Technology Path to Pioneering Space



Asteroid Retrieval Mission



Hypersonic Inflatable Aerodynamic Decelerator



Optical Communications



GO

LAND

LIVE

Solar Electric Propulsion



Low-Density Supersonic Decelerator



Environmental Control & Life Support System



Surface Power



Next Generation Spacesuit



Robotics & Autonomy

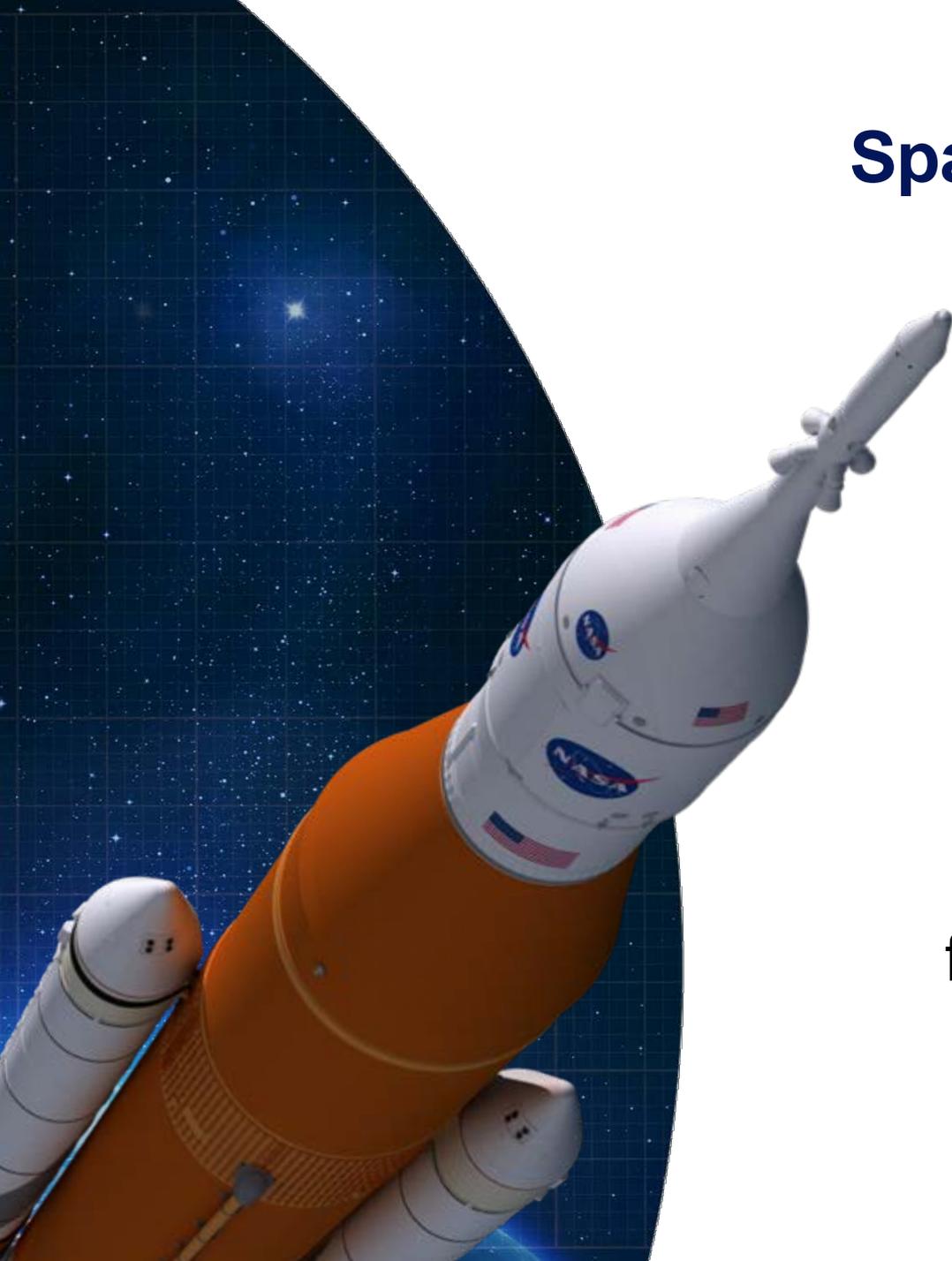


In-Situ Resource Utilization

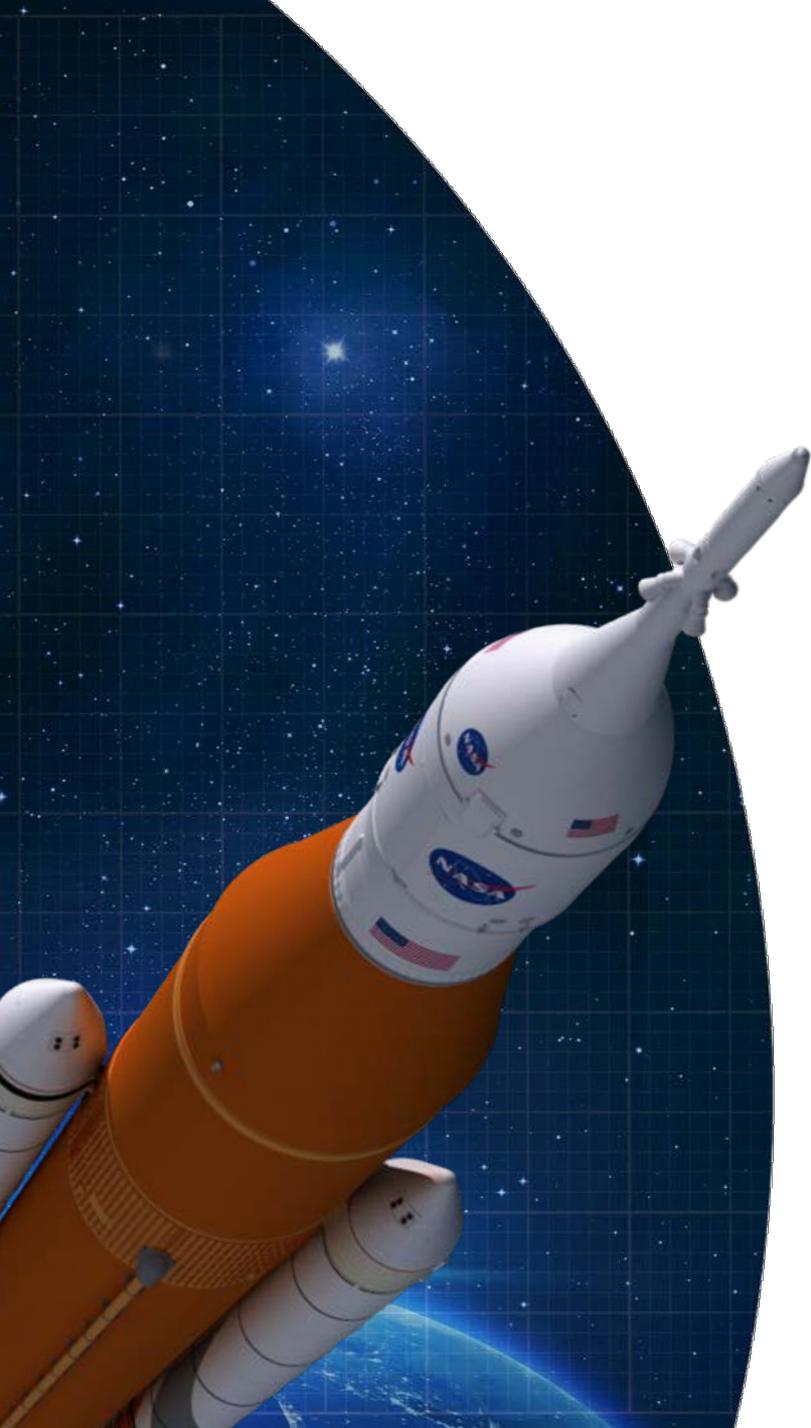


Space Launch System

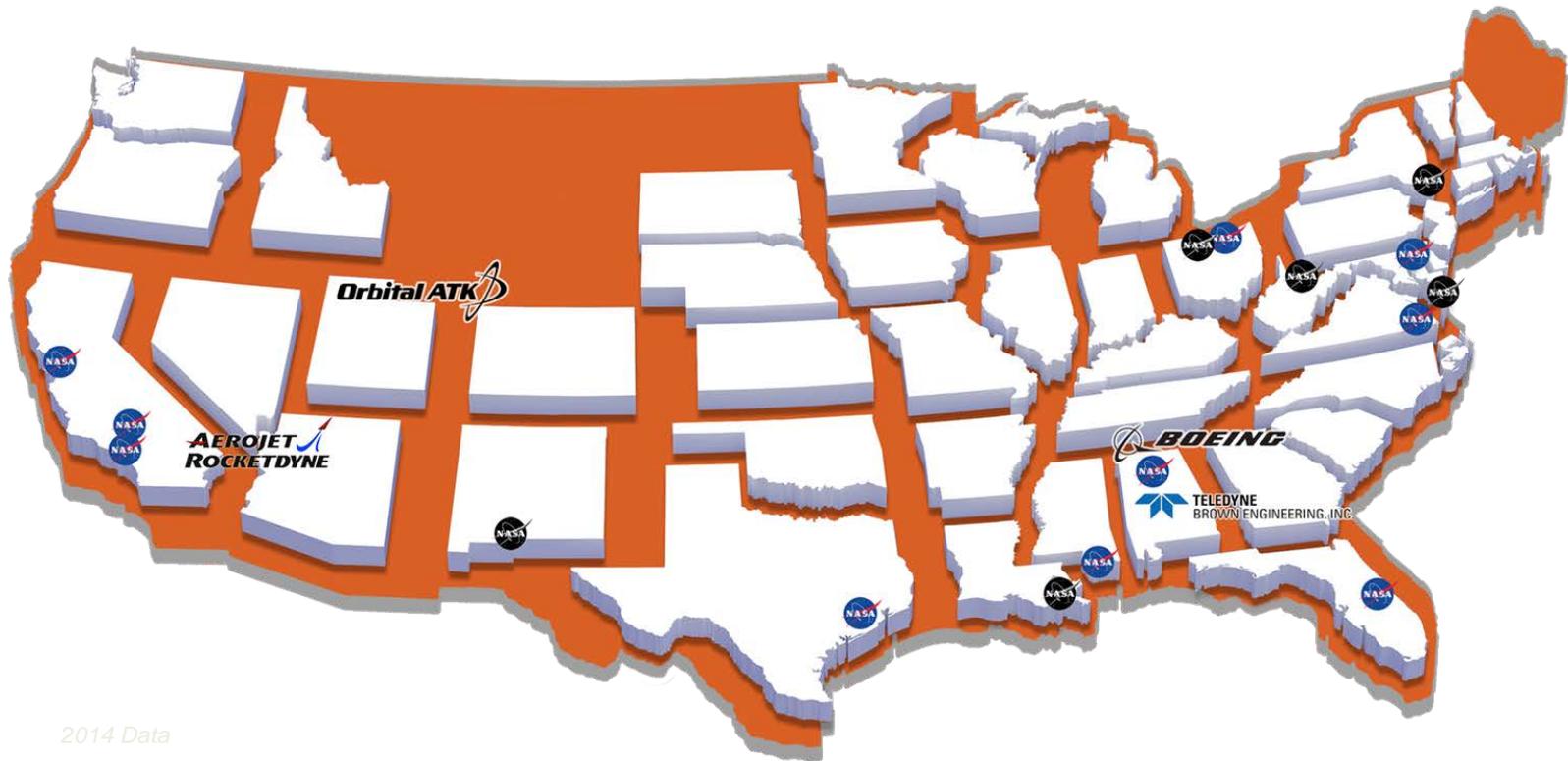
The **only** vehicle capable of sending humans to deep space **and** the large systems necessary for human exploration



SLS: Becoming a Reality



SLS Nationwide Team



- Engaging the U.S. Aerospace Industry
- Strengthening Sectors such as Manufacturing
- Advancing Technology and Innovation for Deep-Space Exploration



Working with more than 800 companies in 43 states

**Precision Meets
Progress in Welding
on SLS Liquid Oxygen
Tank**



◆ Approximate Part Counts

Thrust Structure

Main Oxidizer Valve

◆ 1 vs. 6

Injector

◆ 6 vs. 255

Fuel Turbo Pump

◆ 22 vs. 40

Main
Combustion
Chamber

Chamber Coolant Valve
(Hidden)

◆ 1 vs. 5

Main Fuel Valve
(Hidden)

◆ 1 vs. 5

Mixer (Hidden)

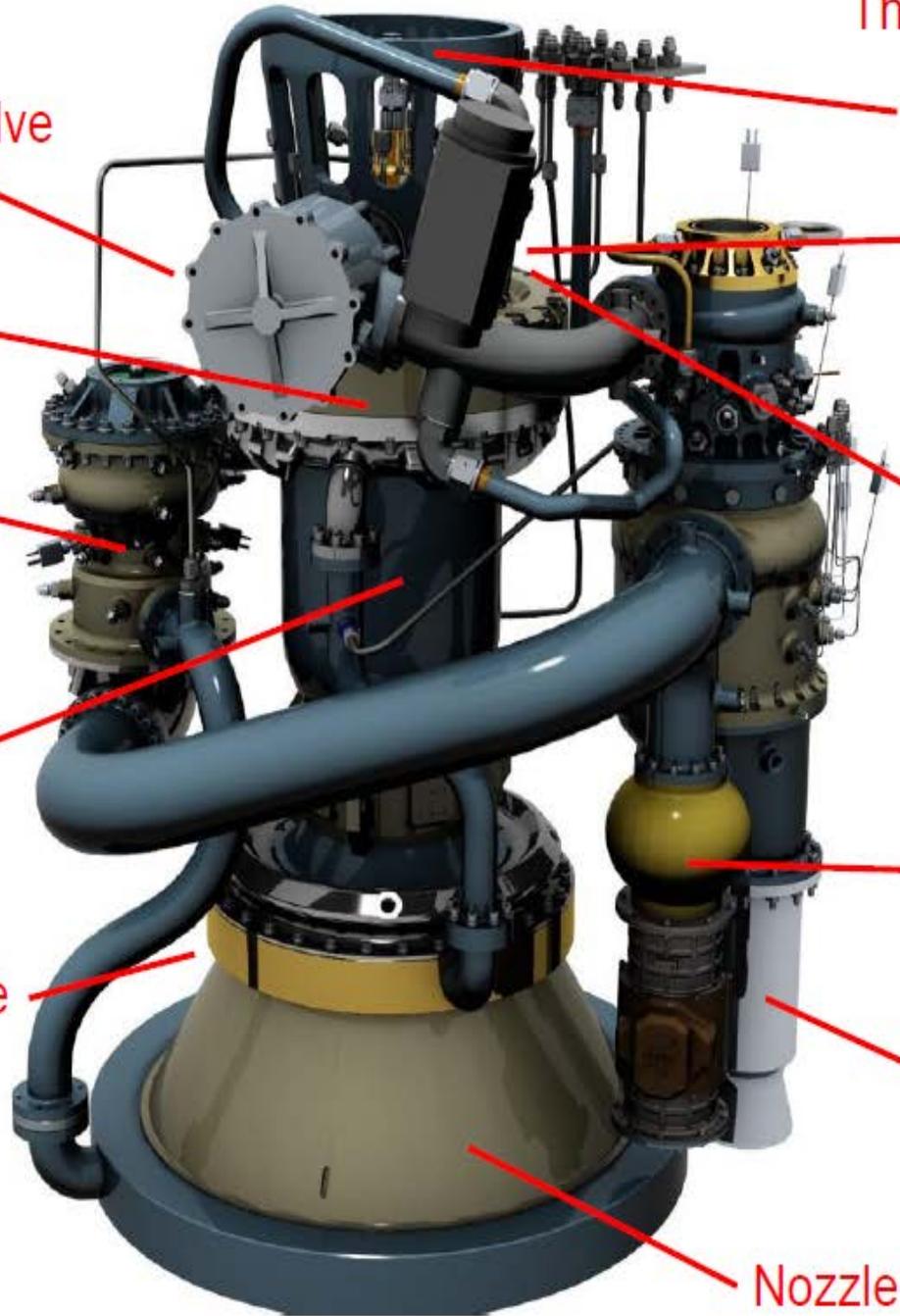
◆ 2 vs. 8

Oxidizer Turbine
Bypass Valve

◆ 1 vs. 5

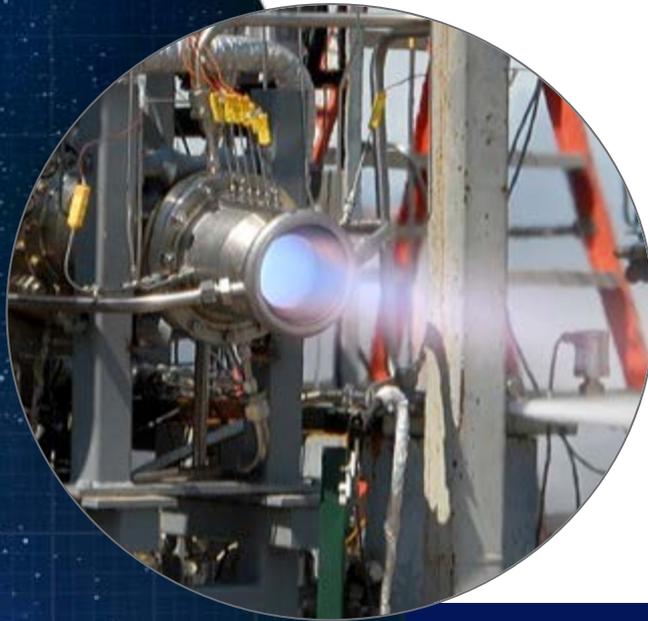
Turbine
Discharge
Duct

Nozzle



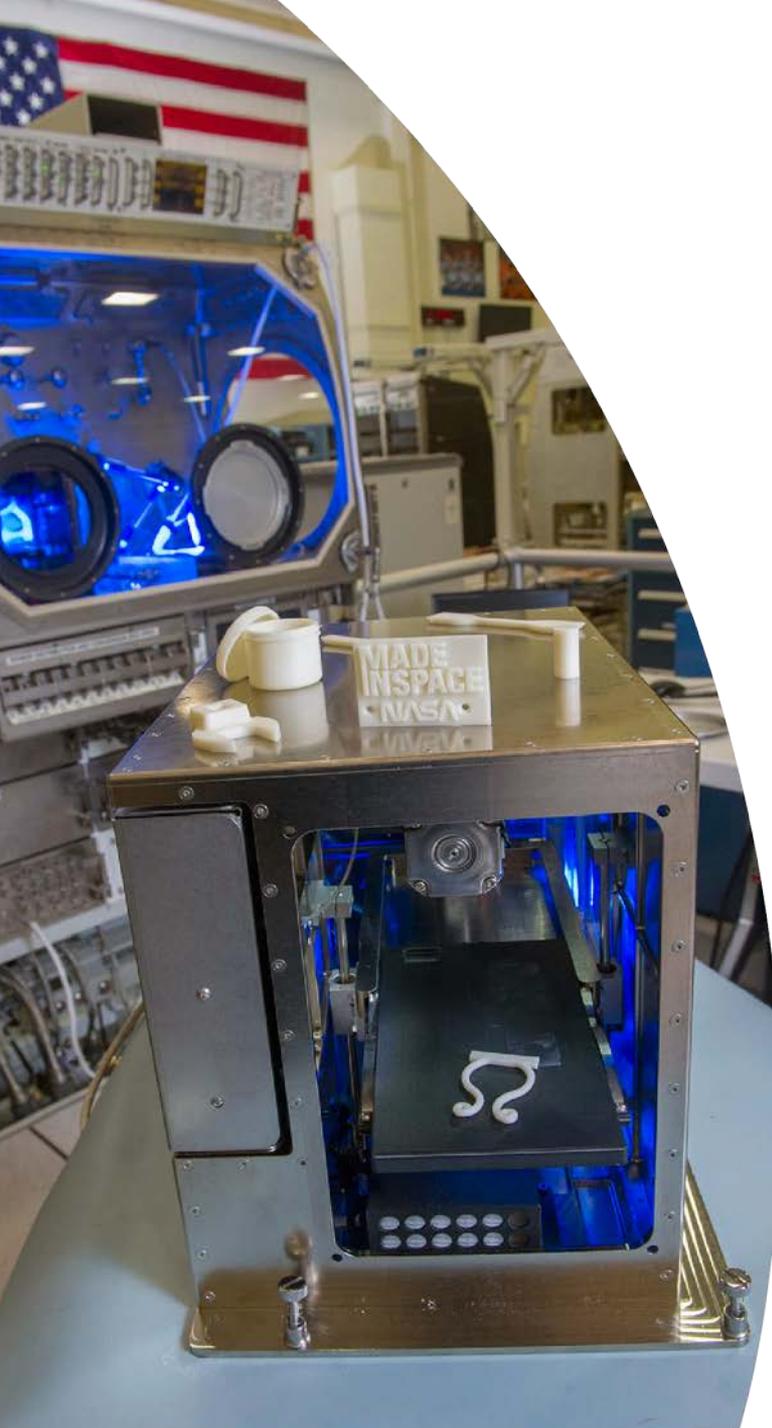
Note: Part counts examples are for major piece parts and do not include bolts, nuts, washers, etc

Common Propulsion for In-Space Transit



Methane Architecture

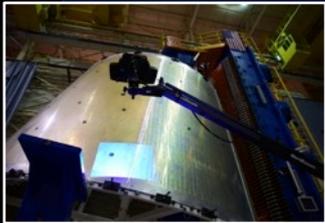
First 3D Printer in Space



ISM Task 1

Advanced Manufacturing at Marshall

Advanced Weld Facility



Additive Manufacturing – AM LOX Turbopump



Advanced Composite Structures



Additive Construction with Mobile Emplacement



Building the Network

Network Status and FY16 Plans

Future Network Goal: 45 Regional Hubs

Forthcoming Awards



Advanced Textiles



Smart Manufacturing

Flexible Hybrid Electronics
San Jose, CA

Additive Manufacturing
Youngstown, OH

Integrated Photonics
Rochester, NY

New Institutes Planned for 2016



Open topic competitions



Selected topic competitions supporting agency mission, using agency authorities and budgets

Digital Manufacturing & Design
Chicago, IL

Lightweight Metal Manufacturing
Detroit, MI

Advanced Fiber-Reinforced Polymer Composites
Knoxville, TN

Wide Bandgap Semiconductors
Raleigh, NC





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