

CO₂ Freezer Project @ Kennedy Space Center

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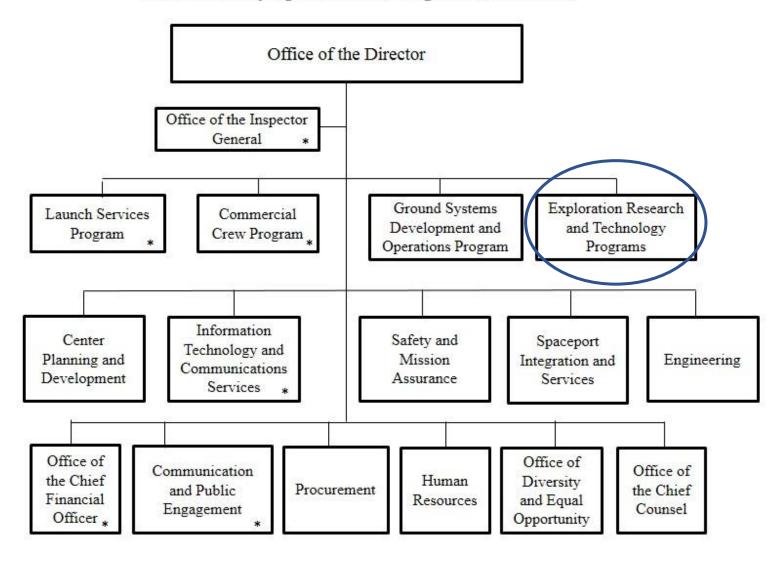
Background of Project

What I worked on

Lessons Learned



New Kennedy Space Center Organization Chart



^{*}Center positions that report to respective Agency functional AA/Chief/Director: Inspector General; Manager, Launch Services Program; Manager, Commercial Crew Program; Chief Information Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Principal Legislative Officer, and Principal Public Affairs Officer.



- Applied Chemistry Lab (ACL)
- Applied Physics Lab (APL)
- Granular Mechanics & Regolith Operations Lab (GMRO)
- Cryogenics Technologies Lab (CTL)
- Electrostatics & Surface Physics Lab (ESPL)
- Corrosion Lab (CL)
- Spaceflight Physical Sciences (SPS) Advanced Materials and Polymer Sciences (AMPS)

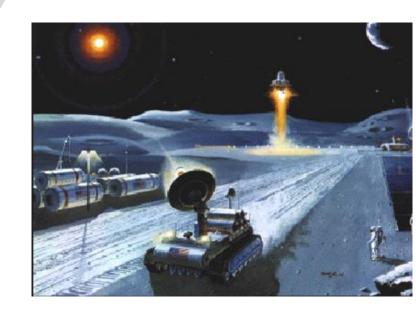
Labs that I

worked in



- "Living off the Land"
- Use space resources
- Reducing cost & risk

ISRU (In Situ Resource Utilization)



ISPP (In-Situ Propellant Production)



Electrolysis:

$$4H_2O \rightarrow 4H_2 + 2O_2$$

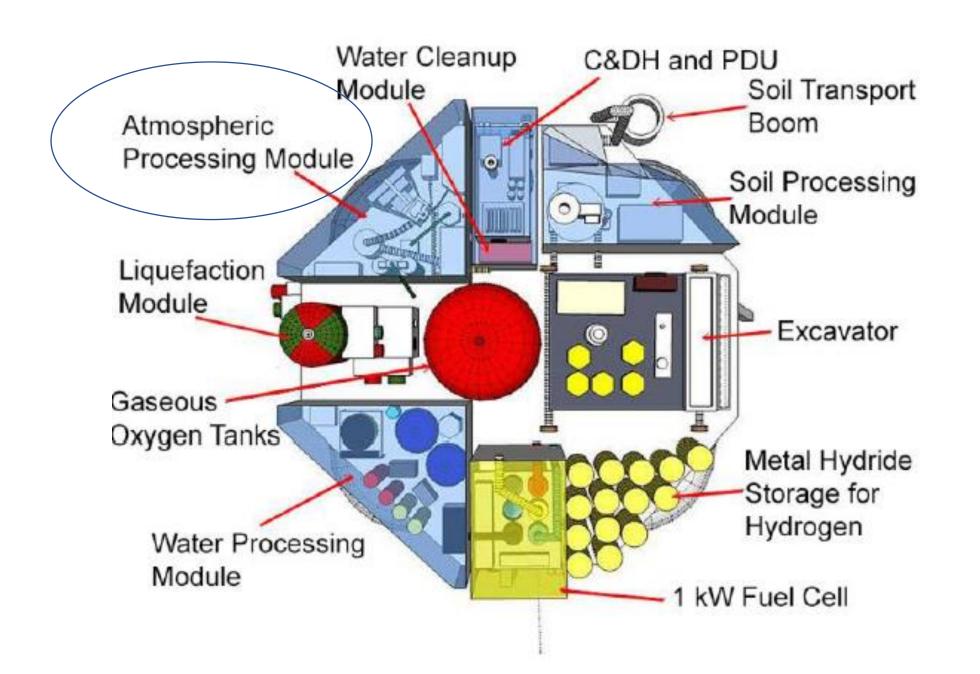
Sabatier Reaction:

$$CO_2 + 4H_2 -> CH_4 + 2H_2O$$

Net Reaction:

MARCO POLO (Mars Atmosphere and Regolith Collector/PrOcessor for Lander Operations)

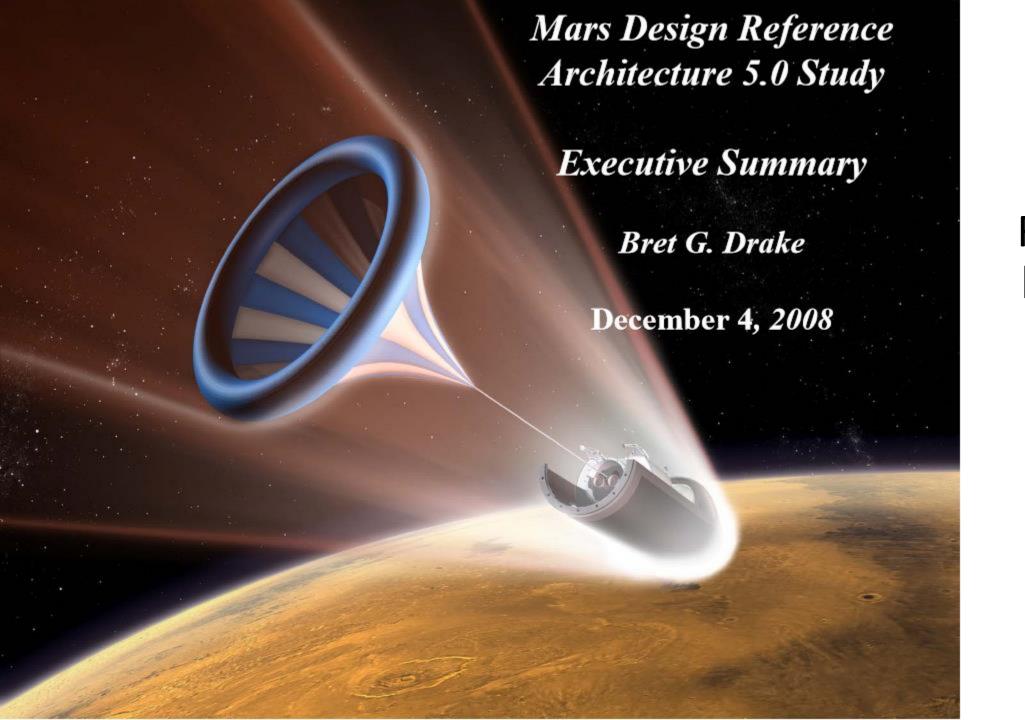






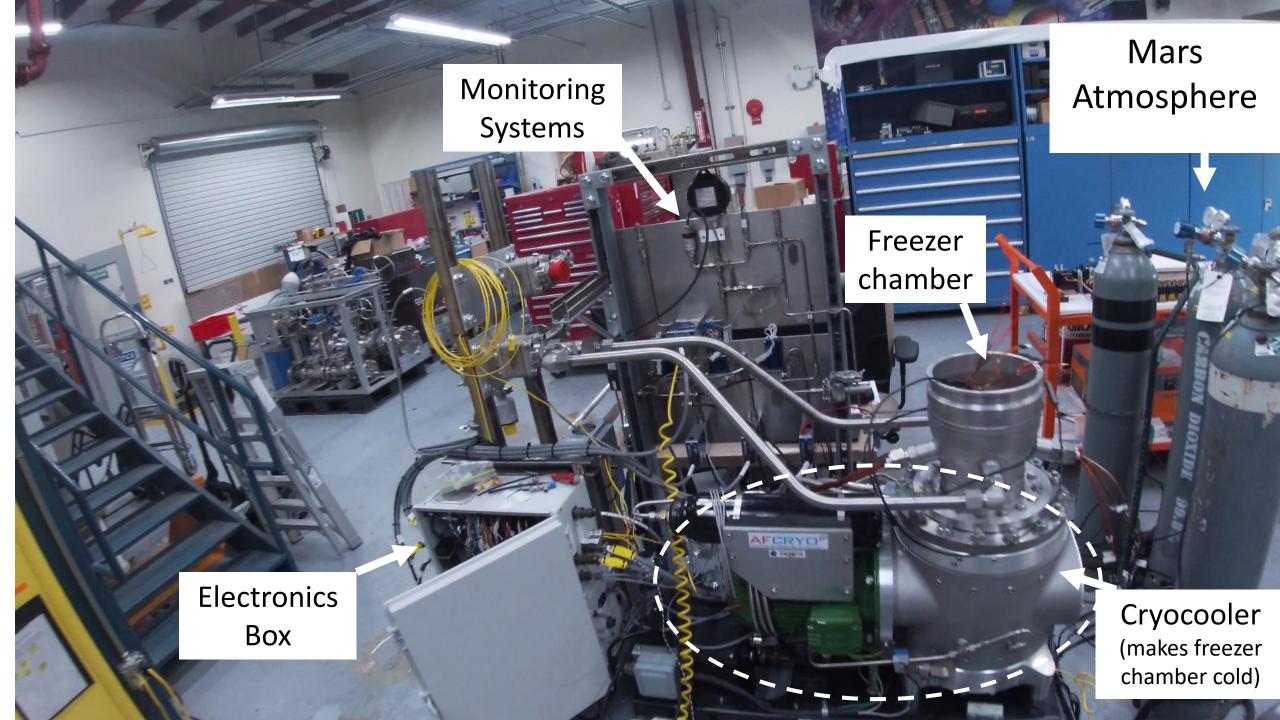
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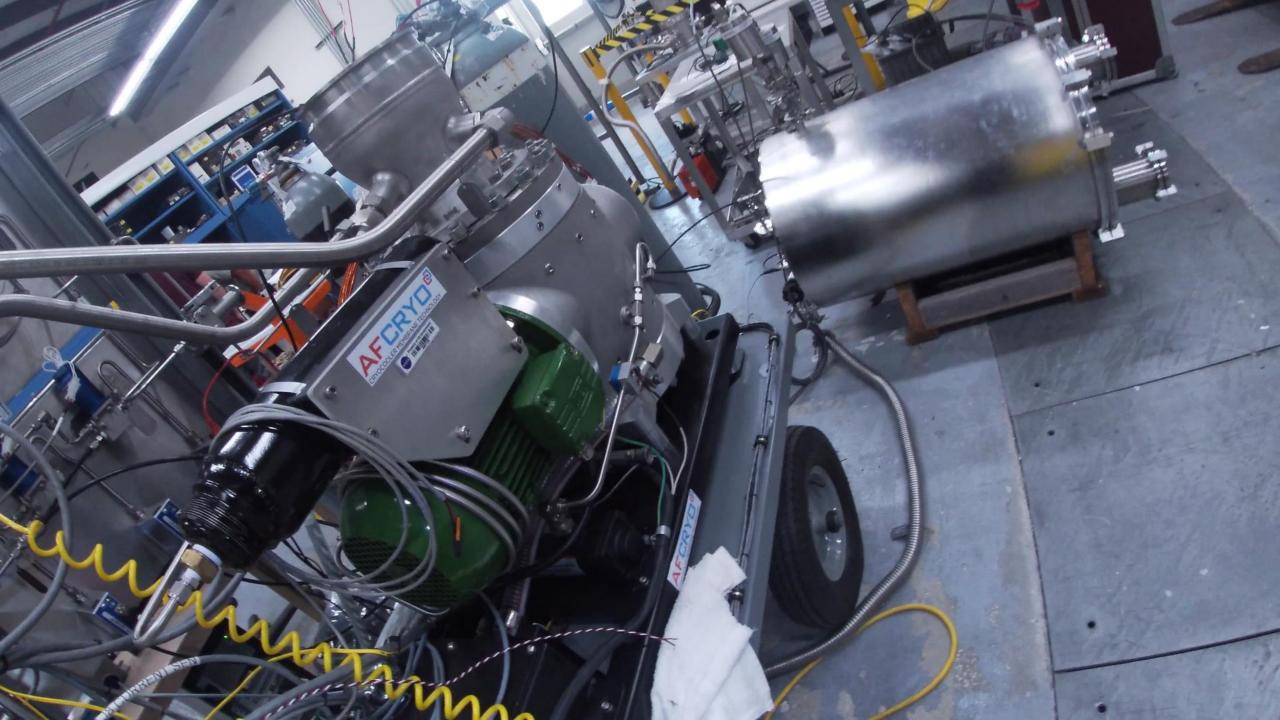


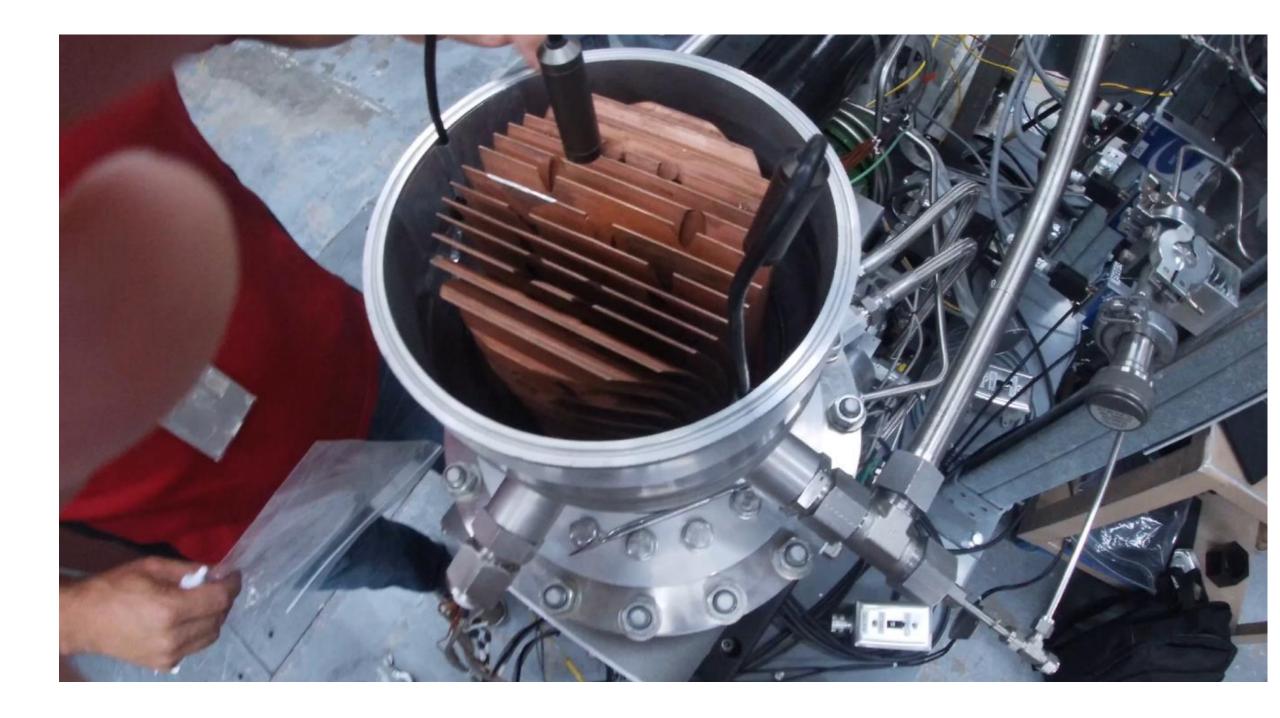


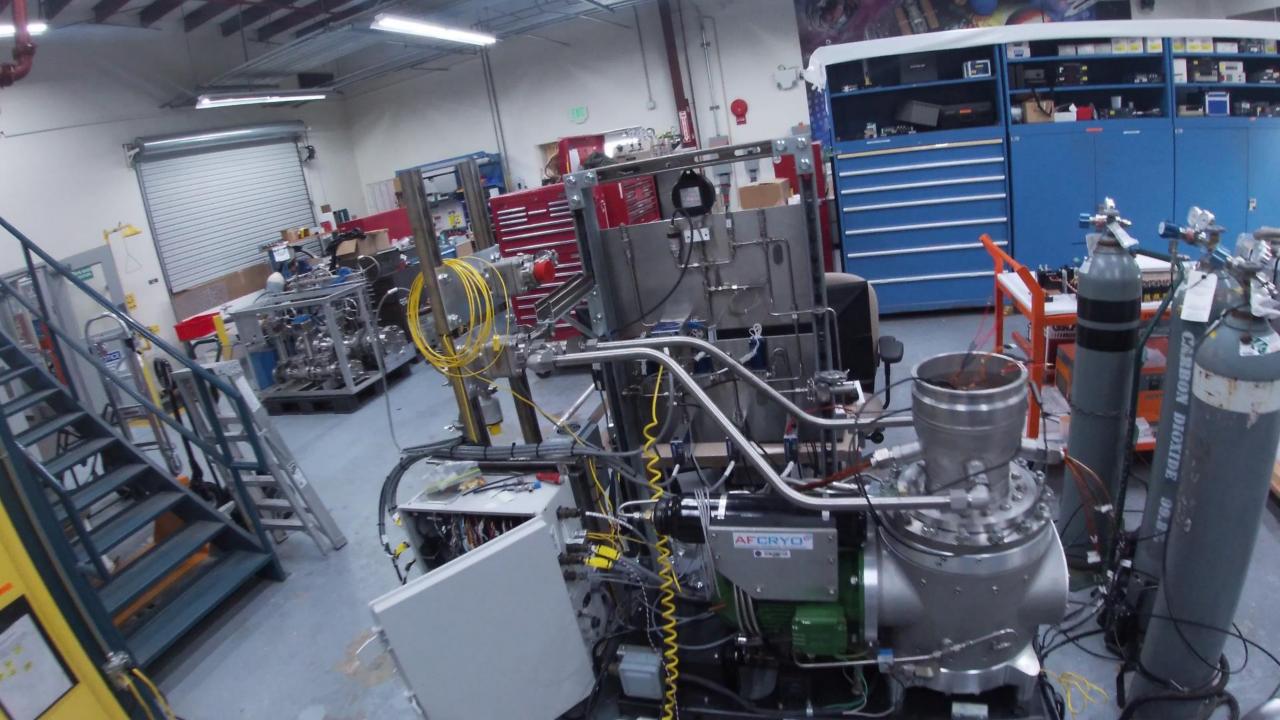
Project Goals

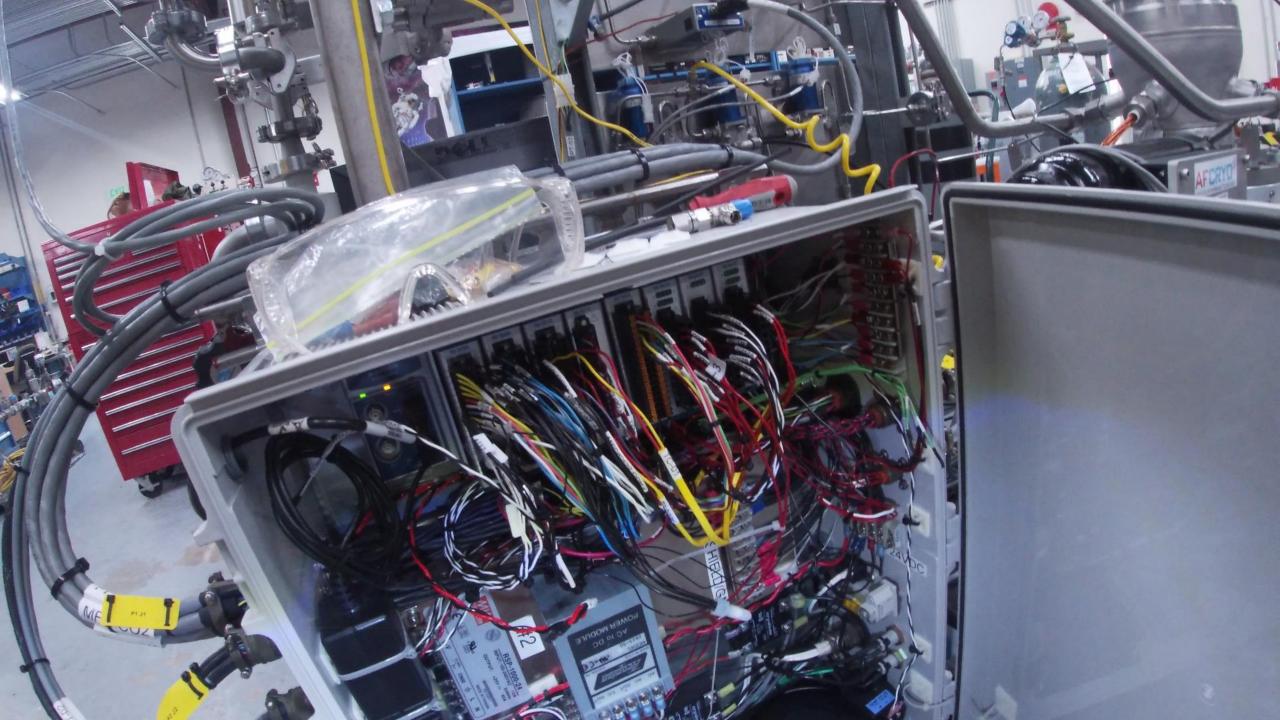
Freeze 1.1 kg/hr CO₂

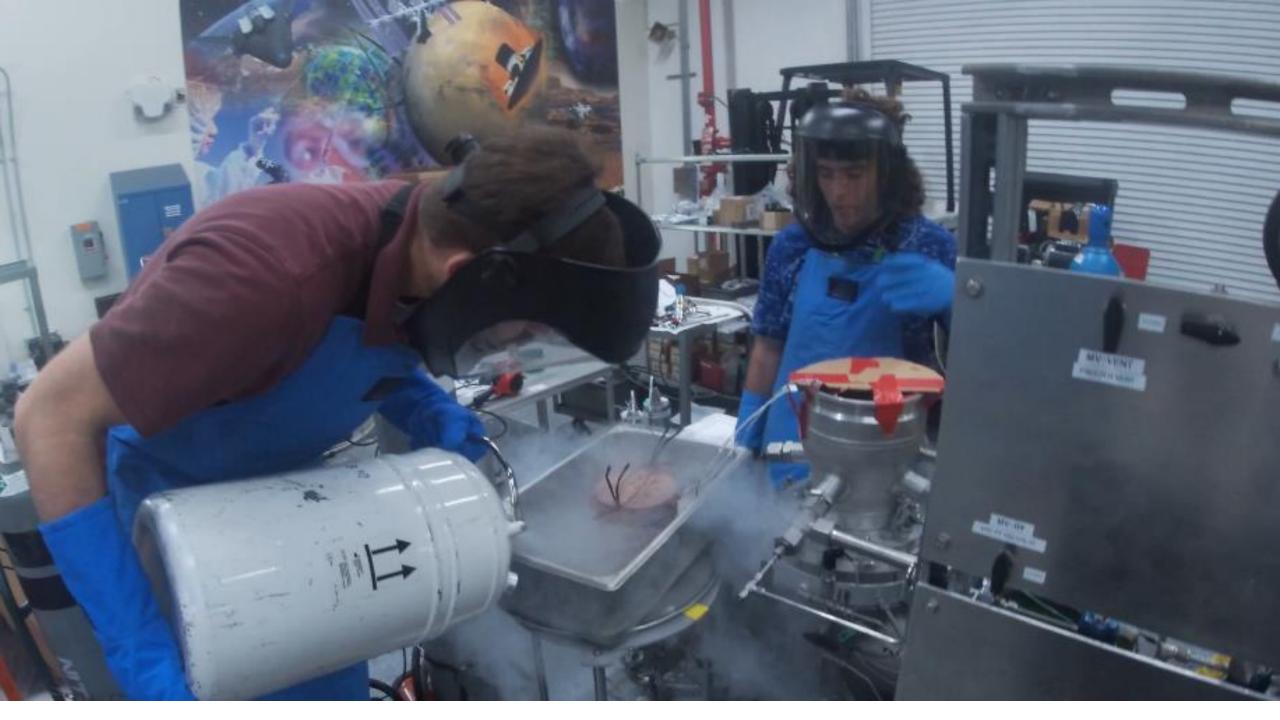




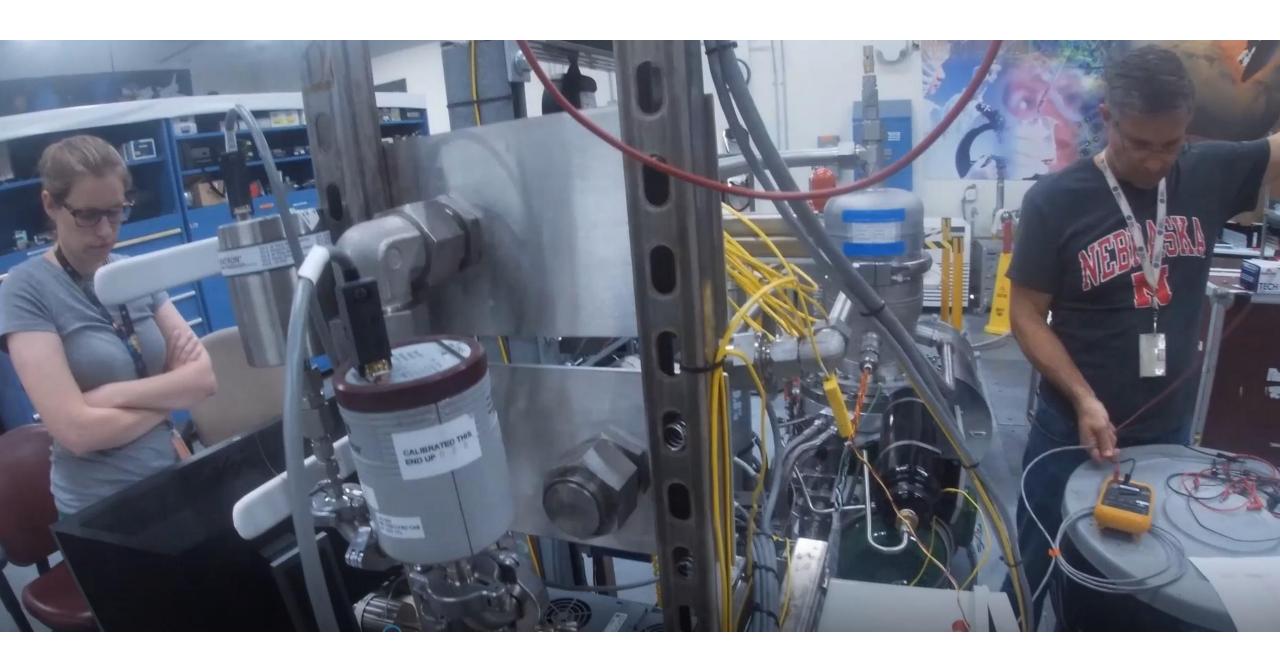












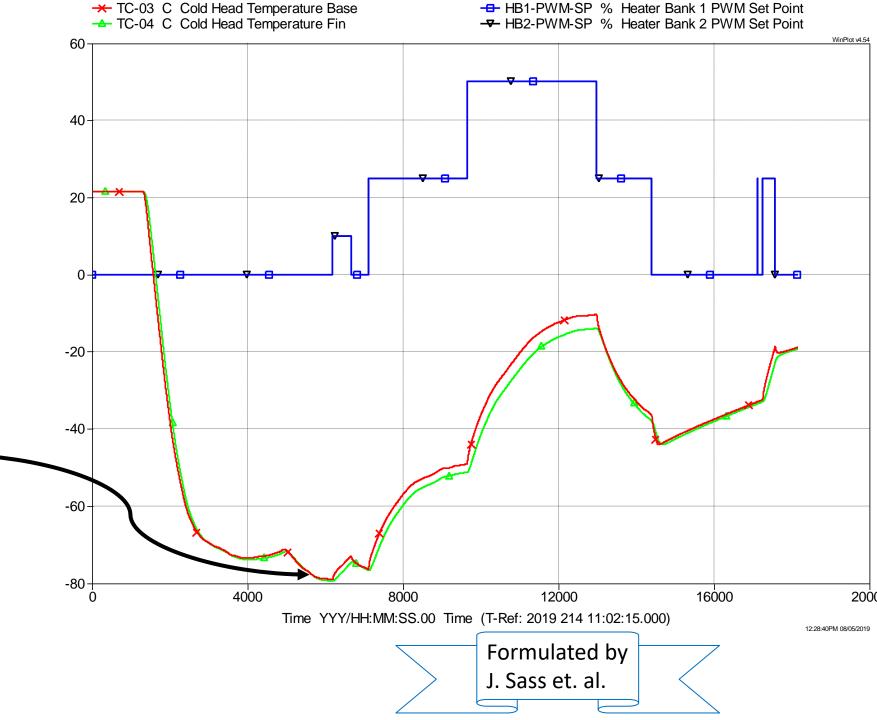


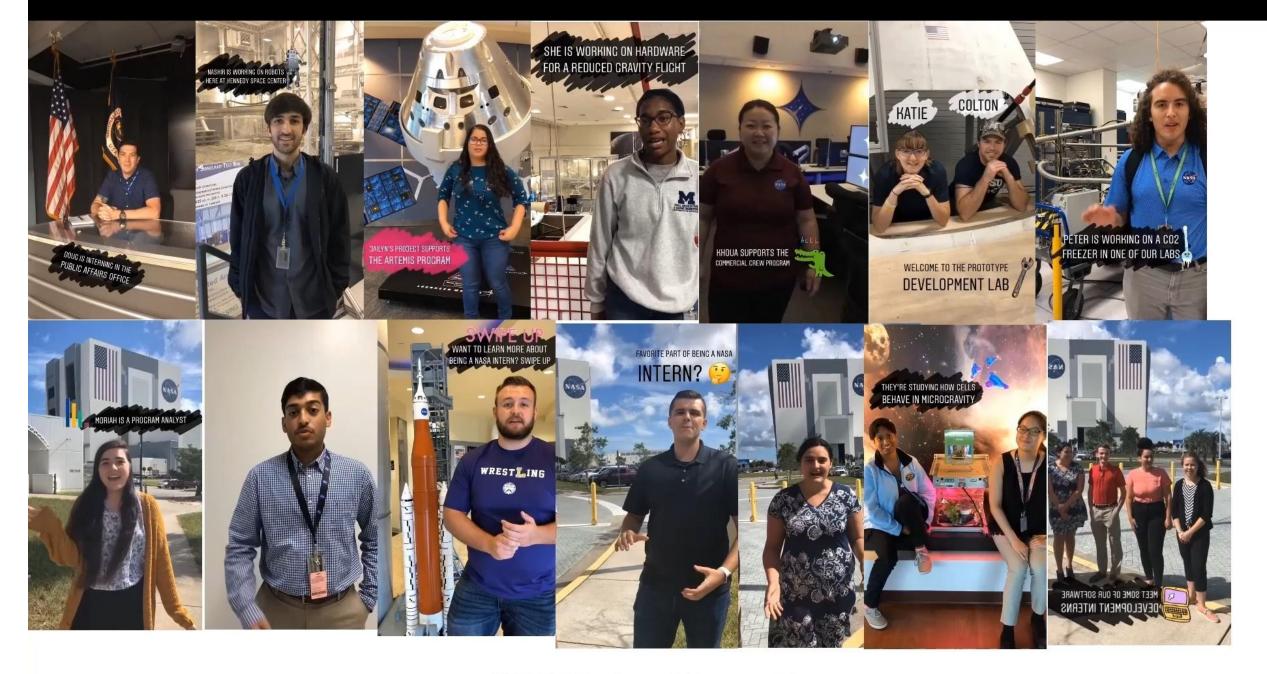




Conclusions

- Only froze at 25% of our goal
- Cryocooler performed poorly
- Did not reach low enough temps. —





KSC National Intern Day









2019 NASA Internships

Intern of the Year Nominee

Peter Henson

Was nominated for being an exemplary Intern who was always prepared, had a willingness to learn and grow, maintained a positive attitude, and upheld the NASA Core Values of Safety, Integrity, Teamwork and Excellence.



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Any Questions/Comments?