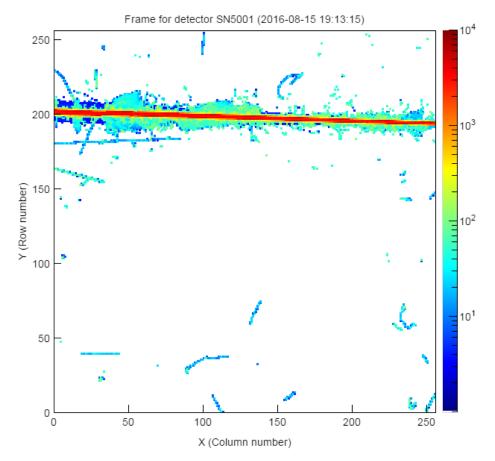


Update on the NASA Plans for Dosimetry in Support of Manned Spaceflight



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NASA Programs

- ISS Program
 - Support to sustain/develop systems to ensure radiation health of ISS crews
 - ISS-TEPC/IV-TEPC, ISS-RAD, Passive Detectors, EV-CPDS, SEDA-AP (JAXA)
- Advanced Exploration Systems (AES)
 - NASA's Advanced Exploration Systems (AES) program is pioneering new approaches for rapidly developing prototype systems, demonstrating key capabilities, and validating operational concepts for future human missions beyond Earth orbit. AES activities are uniquely related to crew safety and mission operations in deep space, and are strongly coupled to future vehicle development.
 - ISS-REM, HERA, FNS (ANS), Radiation Modeling Solar Particle Event Storm Shelter, Miniaturized Particle Telescope (MPT)
 - Multi-year Partnership with AMS 02 (Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer- state of the art particle physics detector). AMS02 data is available. Contract with Dr. Veronica Bindi - University of Hawaii to deliver particle flux of protons and He, and other heavy ions.
- Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD)
 - rapidly develops, demonstrates, and infuses revolutionary, high-payoff technologies through transparent, collaborative partnerships,
 - Thick Shield Project led by Martha Clowdsley
- Multi-purpose Crew Vehicle (MPCV): Orion
 - Will integrate HERA
 - Crew Personal Active Dosimeter CPAD (contract in place with Mirion) to be used for crew personal dosimetry for Orion missions



NASA Investments in Radiation Protection – 2016/2017

- In addition to NASA Human Research Program investments
 - Primary focus is radiation biology, risk models and radiation transport
- STMD thick shield project to determine if there are optimum passive shielding conditions for GCR and provides
- AES focused on delivery of HERA systems for Orion and spiral designs of charged/neutron spectrometer for exploration habitats
- Orion supporting development of COTs derived active crew dosimeter for Orion manned missions
- ISS maintain radiation system for life of ISS while allowing for technical demonstration of exploration hardware. Focus on cost and crew time reductions



2016-2017 Goals

- Eliminate reliance on any passive detectors for operations
 - Up and down mass + logistics, crew time for installation
 - Requires switch to REM tech demo and CPAD tech demo hardware
- Transition from gas-filled detectors to Si/solid state based dosimeters
 - Stop IV-TEPC surveys (eliminates crew time/power cycles)
 - Focus on RAD software updates/improvements
- Complete HERA Flight model delivery for EM-1
- Fly **3 new** technology demos
 - CPAD, FNS, MPT
- Take delivery of AMS02 H weekly flux data
 - Improve GCR models including modulation



Tissue Equivalent Proportional Counters

• ISS-TEPC

- Current on-orbit unit functioning (since 2007)
- Version first flown in 2000, developed in late 1990s.
- Hardware exceeding design life, indication of degradation in recent excursions
- Serves at stationary mission reference dosimeter at SM-P327
- IV-TEPC project initiated to Support ISS operations to 2020/24
 - First time 2 TEPCs operating simultaneously on ISS
 - IV-TEPC (FLT2) is currently operating in a degraded state on ISS, which impacts survey measurement capability for real time radiation operations.
 - Only small detector operational.



IV-TEPC Options

<u>Summary</u>

• Determined root cause to be a design issue resulting from inadequate grounding.

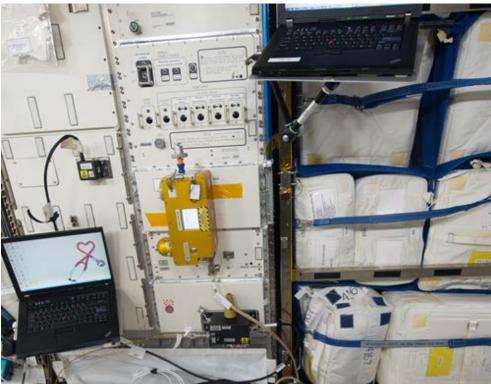
- 1. Base Option: Redesign / Repair IV-TEPC Fleet
- 2. Alternative Solution: **Replace FLT2 with Qual Unit (as is) no cost** Redesign / Repair FLT1 and FLT2
- 3. No additional expenditures other than planned detector replamcements



IV-TEPC Flight Model 2 Deployments

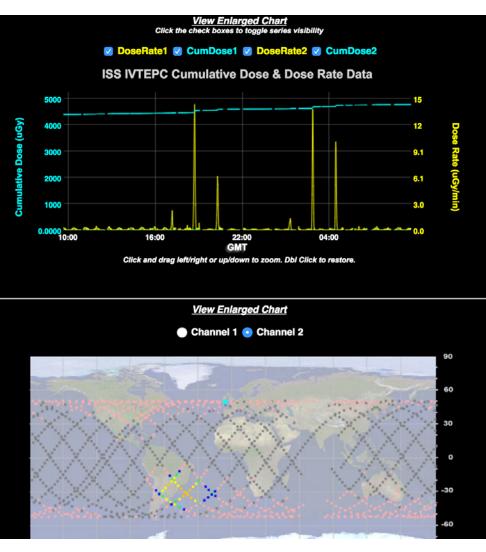








Current IV-TEPC Data



Current Alarm Status GMT Current GMT Instrument Mode (Set Point: 50 µGy/min) (Last Update) 250/09:41:10 Data Acquisition Not In Caution 250/09:40:31 **Primary Detector** Position Location Ch 2 **SM P328** Port **Current Dose** Channel 1 Channel 2 Dose Rate (µGy/min) 0.000 0.107 $1 \mu Gy = 0.1 mrad$ Dose Eq. Rate (µSv/min) 0.000 0.107 1 µSv = 0.1 mrem **Cumulative Dose** Total (Since Instrument Yesterday Today Last 24 Hours Turned On) 249-250 12/1:18:00 249 250 09:41:10 Channel 1 - Dose (µGy) 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 Dose Eq (µSv) 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 Channel 2 - Dose (µGy) 4784.81 380.54 379.52 171.38 Dose Eq. (µSv) 10525.25 821.66 363.72 820.46 Instrument Status **File Status** Chassis Number Power 1553 CPU Start File End File Tmp (°C) Files on Disk OK OK OK 32 35651 35941 291 **Channel Status** Channel 1 Channel 2

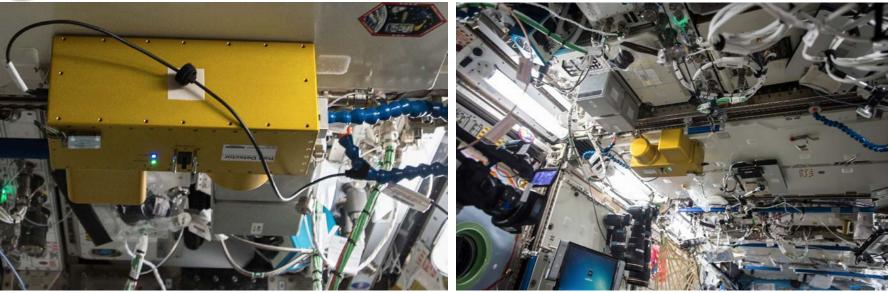
Analog Hardware

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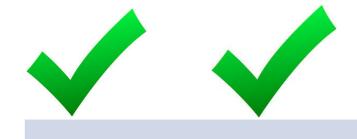
ISS-RAD Plan



- Launched in December 2015
 - Deployed on ISS on 2/1/2016 in US Lab on Lab1O3, pointing forward
- Long term plan is to have continuous measurement campaign on ISS until 2024. Relocated/rotated several times per year
- Focus is flight software updates/improvements and additional adjustments to analysis chain



AES Development Path: putting new sensor technology into operational detector system



ISS REM

Proof-of-concept

• Demonstrates feasibility of Timepix space dosimetry

BIRD (EFT-1)

- Intermediate step
- Stand-alone data acquisition
- Off-line data processing

EM-1,2 HERA

- Springboard
- Significant progress towards operational active area monitoring

EM-3+ HERA

 Operational active radiation area monitoring for Orion MPCV

Use of large portable instruments (i.e. TEPC) not possible for MPCV



- ISS REM
 - Continue to collect/analyze data
 - Web server data display and analysis (Webrem)
 - Deployed REM units in BEAM
 - Publications of flight data
 - Increase of number of units +3-5 units
 - Complete BEAM campaign and perform detailed analysis



2 SSC - REM Locations as of Sept 07, 2016

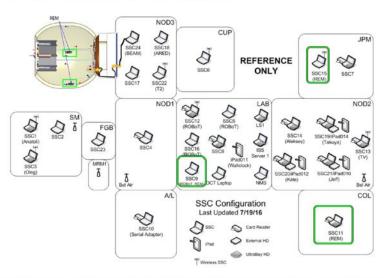
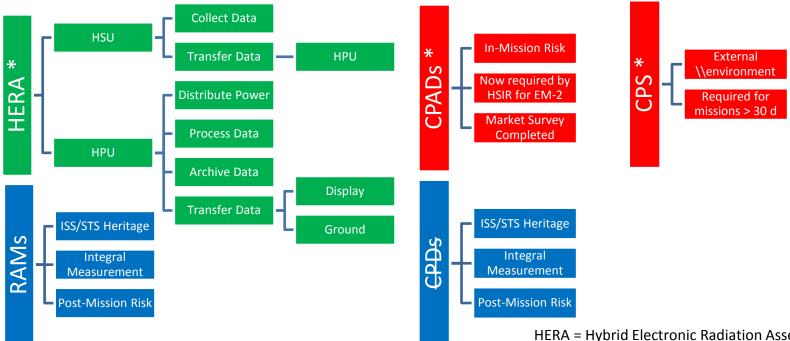


Figure 1: Current SSC configuration for the REM units. Color code based on most recent data received.

- HERA
 - Successfully completed SRR-PDR-CDR
 - Flight Build is Underway



MPCV Radiation System



* = Technology needed for EM-2+

HERA = Hybrid Electronic Radiation Assessor RAM = Radiation Area Monitor CPD = Crew Passive Dosimeter CPAD = Crew Personal Active Dosime CPS = Charged Particle Spectrometer



HERA – Instrument Summary

- HERA: Hybrid Electronic Radiation Assessor
 - Measures absorbed dose in real-time
 - Time-resolved absorbed dose rate and flux
 - Provide Caution and Warning signaling and display (EM-2)
 - Provides in-flight binning of particle charge and energy
 - Stores/downlinks raw data for detailed analysis
 - Data usage
 - Operational radiation protection decisions
 - Risk Assessment
- MPCV interfaces
 - Connected to Orion PDU
 - RS-422 data bus
 - 120 VDC input
 - Real-time status telemetry



HERA – Physical/Functional

- HERA system:
 - 1 HERA Power Unit (HPU)
 - Up to 3 HERA Sensor Units (HSU) per HPU
 - EM-1: detection and recording
 - Will rely on vehicle power
 - Will store all data on the HSU and HPU
 - Capability to be powered on/off by PDU.
 - EM-2: same as EM-1 plus will be tied into Caution
 & Warning system to alert crew to shelter

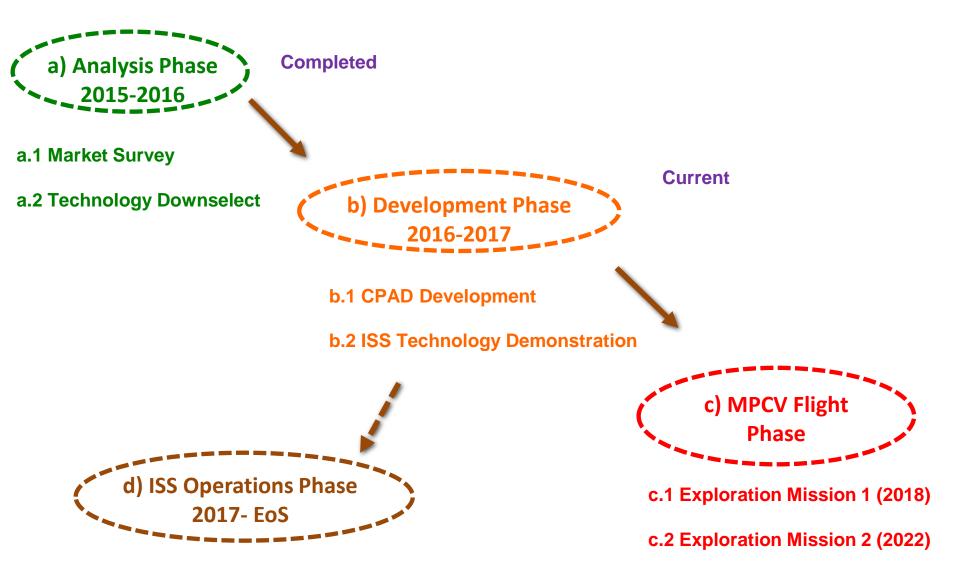


Current HERA Qualification system



Crew Personal Active Dosimeters (CPADs) Project Flow

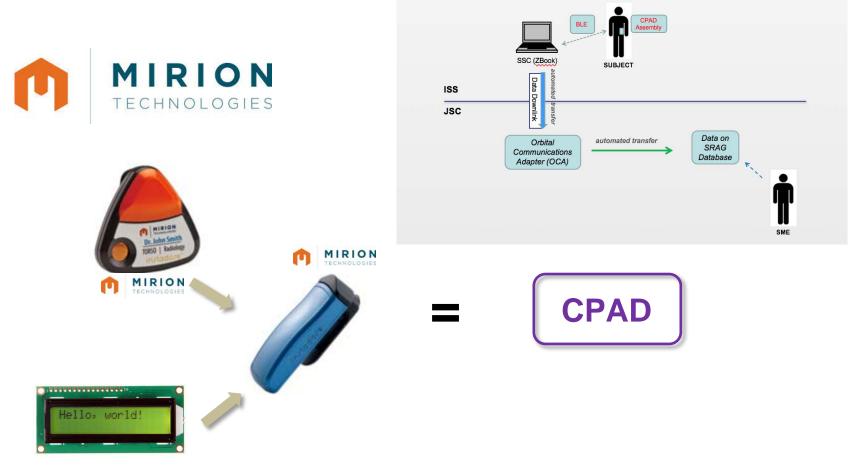
-Project Lead is Martin Leitgab-SRAG





CPAD Technology Down select Results

- In summary, DIS technology was selected as DIS dosimeters fulfilled all requirements for all particle types successfully
- Mirion Technologies holds patents on DIS technology and was selected as sole source vendor





Fast Neutron Spectrometer (FNS) – Mark Christl at MSFC

• Scope

- A compact low-power neutron monitor for future precursor/long duration manned missions
 - Neutrons are generated from steady rate GCR and transient solar event particle fluxes (protons)
 - Habitats and Planetary Surfaces are important sources of secondary neutrons
- Focus on developing a neutron detector that distinguishes neutrons in mixed radiation fields of charged particles (light and heavy nuclei, secondary particles) and neutral particles (neutrons, gamma rays)
- Measure a broad spectrum of neutrons in a fluctuating particle background



Fast Neutron Spectrometer (FNS)

- Spiral I: FNS Objectives (2012-2014)
 - Develop neutron spectrometer for exploration missions
 - Year1: design, test and demonstrated 1st generation
 - Year2: critical comparison with state of the art techniques
 - Year3: 2nd generation design: 2.3 kg, 4W
- Spiral II: FNS Objectives (2015-2017)
 - ISS test flight demonstration
 - Year1/2: design, fabricate and test **FNS-ISS**
 - Year2: deploy to ISS
 - Year3: operate and acquire data for analysis
- Spiral III: Operational for Manned Exploration (2018+)

• Combine best features of FNS AND ISS-RAD FND



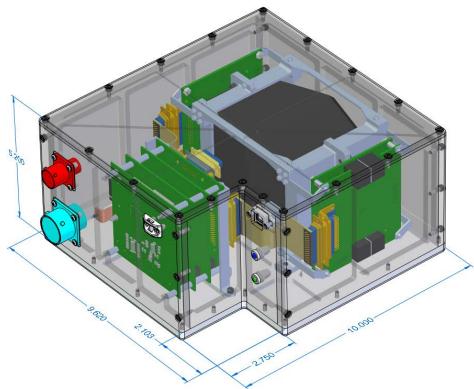
FNS-ISS Summary

Objectives

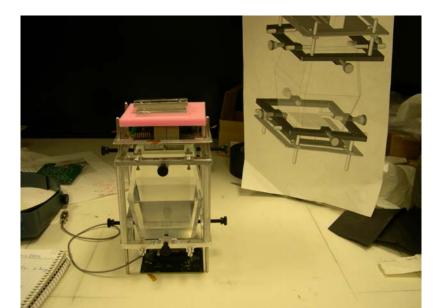
- Conduct spaceflight test to mature the ANS measurement technique and design
- Deploy to ISS for 6 month mission
- Transmit data to ground station
- Analyze data to determine the fast neutron spectrum on the ISS
- Compare with ISS-FND
- Evaluate environment background

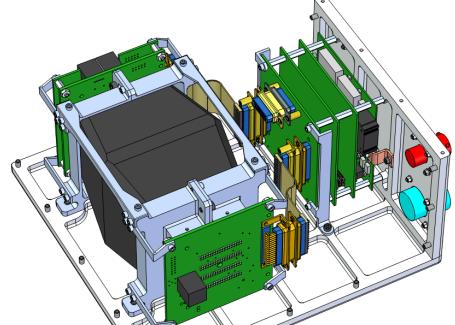
FNS-ISS Allocation

4 kgs •Mass: 5"x8"x10" •Volume: •Power: 7.5 W •Voltage: 28 VDC Data Link: USB to ISS laptop •Data Rate: 100 kbits/sec •Attachment location: Internal/multiple Attachment method: Velco Mission duration: 6 months Launch configuration: Soft stow •Payload readiness date: Sept - 2016



FNS Design in Fabrication









FNS Flight Model Delivered to JSC just last week

FNS will be moving to OA-5 launching September 29th

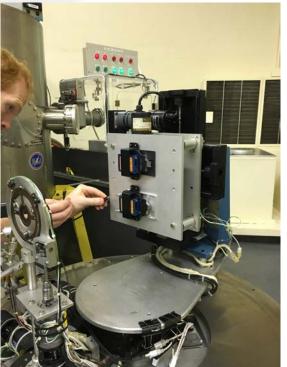




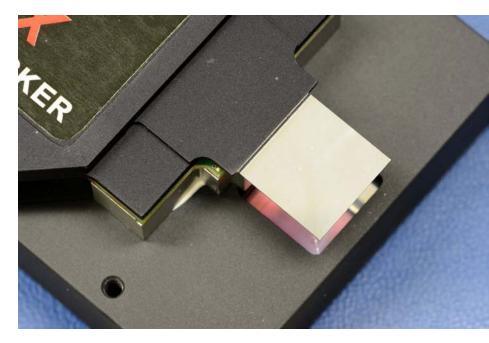
Miniaturized Particle Telescope (MPT)



- Stack of two chips
- Full Al enclosure
- Up to 850 frames/s
- Integrated bias
- Si sensors 500 µm thick
- Vacuum compatible
- 2x USB port
- Industrial USB connectors
- 1 mm thick Al windows on both sides (up and bottom)
- Fully powered via USB

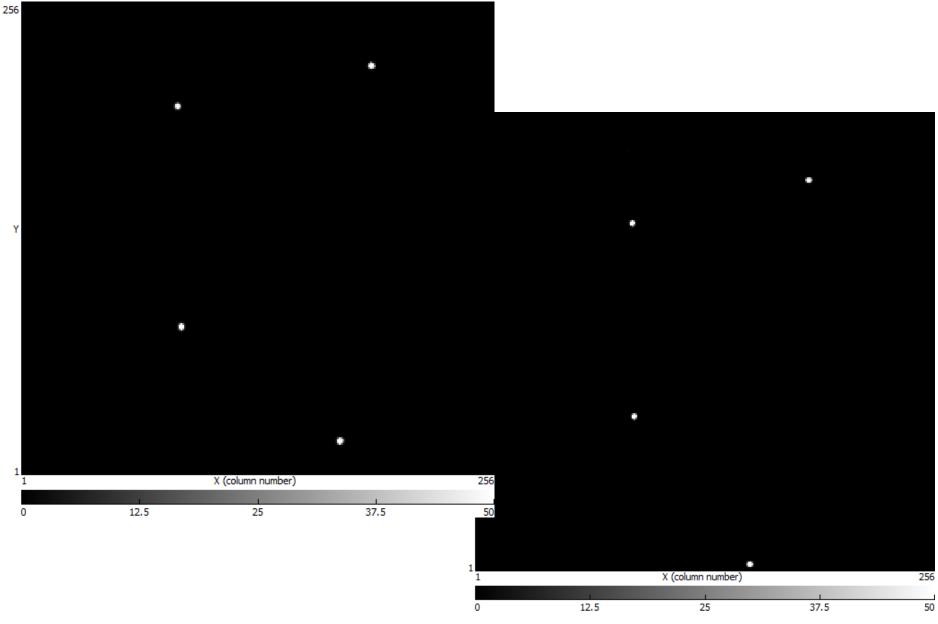








Early MPT Testing - 20 MeV protons





FY16 Accomplishments – ISS CAD Models

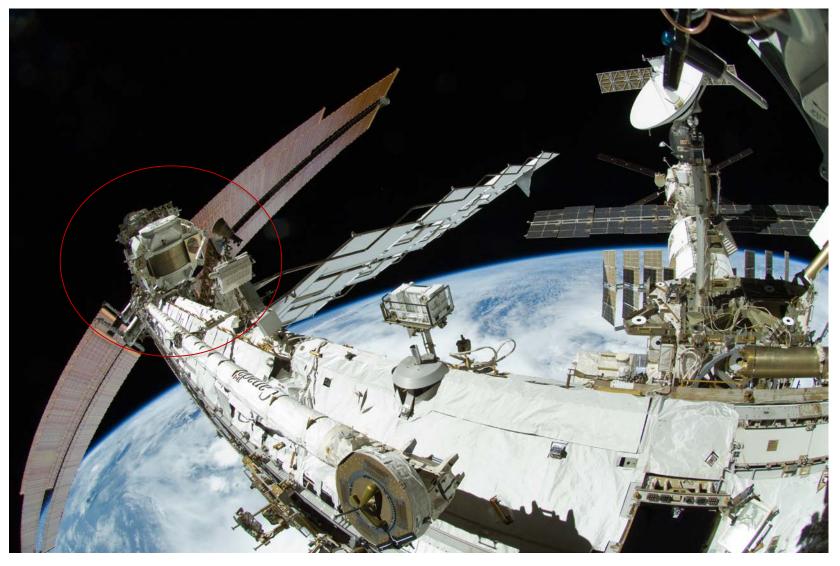


- 1. Completed updates to all ISS modules and delivered to SRAG
 - Updates to Russian modules and truss structures performed in FY16
 - Overlapping parts fixed, holes removed, surfaces converted to volumetric parts, and masses updated with best available information
- 2. Began effort to create ray-traces for all detector locations
 - Supports ongoing JSC SRAG operations monitoring radiation dose
 - Supports HRP effort developing improved methods for predicting astronaut exposure
 - Will be used in testing of 3DHZETRN



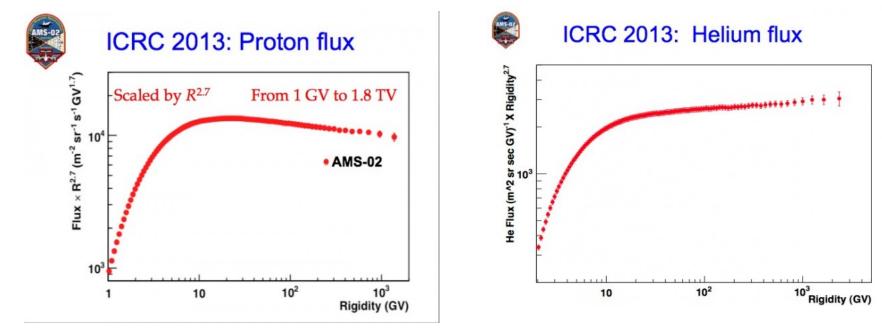


AMS-02





AMS-02 Data Plans



NASA/TP-2015-218569

•Through collaboration with University of Hawaii – Dr. Veronica Bindi – we have long term collaboration with AMS-02 team to provide to elemental flux to help GCR model development for operation use at NASA: BO-2014 Model updates

Monthly flux data will be made available for protons and He in the coming year



Badhwar - O'Neill 2014 Galactic Cosmic Ray Flux Model Description

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AMS-02 Space Radiation Workshop #2

Will be held in Washington DC Area - April 23 to 27, 2017



NEW OPPORTUNITIES IN THE AMS-02 ERA

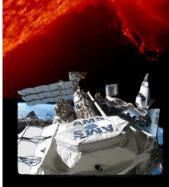


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Solar Energetic Particles Solar Observations Solar Flares and Coronal Mass Ejections Solar Modulation of Galactic Cosmic Rays Cosmic Rays Propagation in Heliosphere Earth's Magnetosphere Geomagnetic Cutoff Space Radiation Environment



Summary

- ISS dosimetry remains robust and configuration includes
 - 2 TEPCs (2 separate detectors for as long as possible)
 - **ISS-RAD** activation and checkout on-going, will complete in 2016
 - Initiate software updates ASAP
 - At least 5-7 REM units total operational
 - **CPD,FNS, MPT** demonstration for will be conducted 2016-2017
 - Outside ISS active data from EV-CPDS to be supplemented with **SEDA-AP**
 - 2 neutron spectrometers on ISS in 2016!
- AES
 - Complete HERA flight delivery
 - Start Spiral Design of charged particle/neutron spectrometers for habitats

- MPCV-Orion
 - Crew Personal Active Dosimeter down select completed to DIS
 - The first delivery of six CPADs is scheduled for 2/15/17, the remaining 14 CPADs of the development contract are delivered on 3/10/17.