

High Level Introduction on EVA Tool Development for Space Suit Dust Mitigation

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Lessons Learned from Apollo

"Probably the most difficult job of all the closeouts was trying to dust the suits. It's a difficult and awkward position. It's hard to make **fast sweeping movements in a stiff suit**."

- Cernan, Apollo 17

"We did our best, and I think probably the time spent was well spent. But I think also it was a bit **more time than we had anticipated**."

- Cernan, Apollo 17

"Both of us found that our lower limbs and boots could probably be better dusted by **jumping up and down on a ladder** or clapping your feet together on a ladder, which, incidentally, the CDR had to do in every case because he was the last one in. His feet were **always in the dust prior to getting on the ladder**."

- Cernan, Apollo 17

"From the boots on up to the lower legs, backs of the legs, insides of the thighs, and so forth, the **brush did appear to be fairly effective in getting the first layer of dust off**."

- Shepard, Apollo 14

"That lens brush is really a good brush. It cleaned it off very well. The dust brush, to clean off the suits seemed to work pretty good. It got the gross dirt off. It didn't get everything."

- Scott, Apollo 15









Stay tuned!

 Plan to present details about recent tool testing and evaluations at future LSIC meetings