



Lunar Surface Innovation

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Joint E&C – Dust Mitigation Monthly Meeting

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Friendly Reminders

- Recordings will be posted on our website.
(<http://lsic.jhuapl.edu/Focus-Areas/Excavation-and-Construction.php>)
- Please post your questions in **Q&A** (not chat) .
- Mute yourself if you are not speaking.

Today's Agenda

- Focus group updates.
 - E&C
 - Dust Mitigation

- Kristin Jaburek - Modular Open Systems Approach (MOSA) questions.

Featured Talks

Dust-Tolerant Mechanisms	15 min	Vincent Vendiola <i>Honeybee Robotics</i>
How the mining industry mitigates dust, wear and abrasion	15 min	Brad Blair <i>Moonrise Mining Inc.</i>
Q&A + Discussion	15 min	Vincent & Brad

Theme: Designing Dust Tolerant Systems for E&C

- How does dust affect design and performance of E&C systems?
 - Lunar surface demonstrations?
- How to design machines and mechanisms for wear and abrasion?
 - Learning from terrestrial experience.
- How are repair and maintenance considerations shaped by dust?

<https://lsic-wiki.jhuapl.edu/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=6260179>

LSIC Spaces People Create

Excavation & Construction

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- Suggestions for E&C-related CLPS activities
- E&C Workshop
- Interactions with Other Focus Groups
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Who's Who in E&C

Created by Andrea Harman, last modified by Rachel Klima on Mar 10, 2022

Other Focus Groups:

- Who's Who in DM
- Who's Who in EA
- Who's Who in EE
- Who's Who in ISRU
- Who's Who in SP

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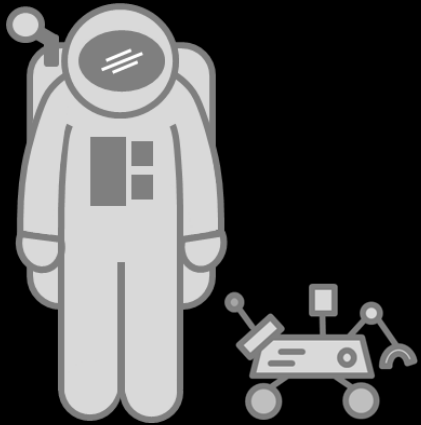
Who You Are	What You Do	What You Want Others To Know About You
Dr. Athonu Chatterjee, LSIC E&C focus group facilitator	Forming a collaborative alliance of NASA, industry, academia, non-profits and government in E&C relevant areas.	E&C focus group's charter is to help you get exposure to NASA and to familiarize you with NASA's activities in this area, and foster public-private relationship.
Jibu Abraham (APL), LSIC E&C focus group member	Jibu Abraham work as APL and supports the LSIC E&C FG as a member. Jibu has extensive experience in the full cycle development of complex flight related hardware. He has designed, developed and analyzed mechanical/electromechanical components for missile, UAV, and nuclear systems.	I am interested cross-organizational relationship to build strategies to support lunar development.



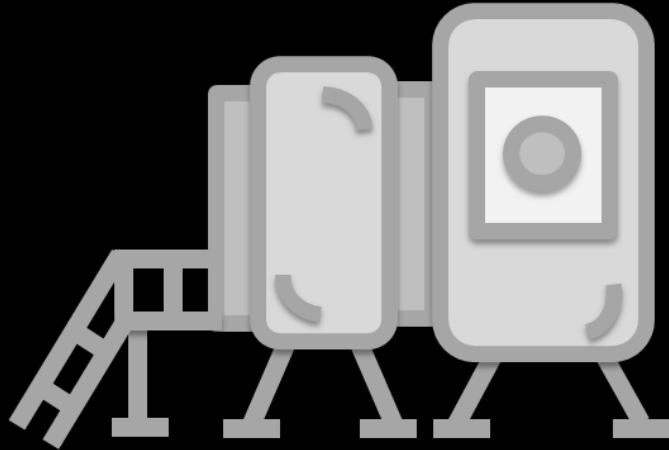
Integrated Dust Mitigation Strategy



SURFACE OPERATIONS



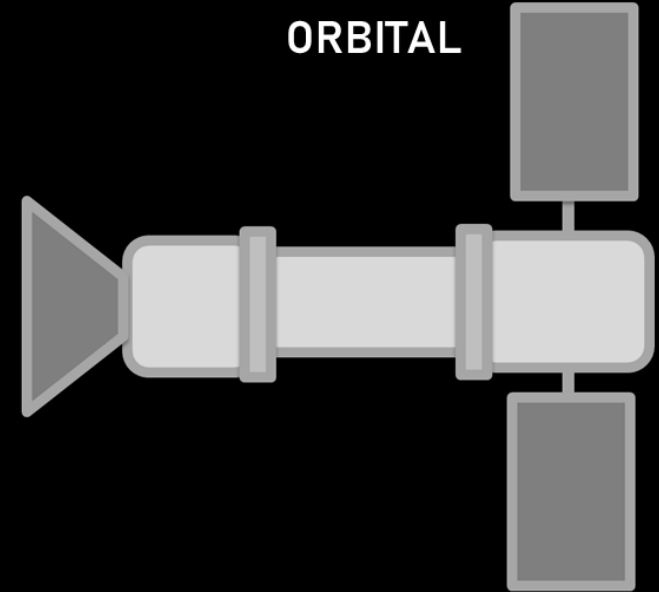
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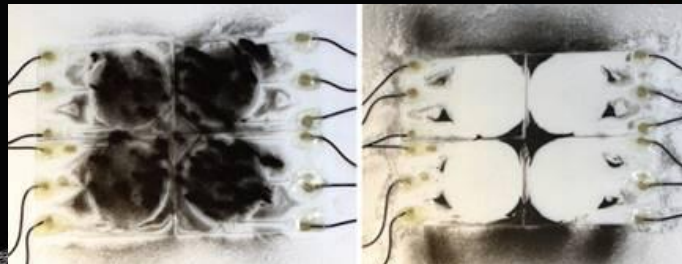


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Dust Mitigation FG Subgroups

- **Materials and Surface Coatings:**
 - *Optical Systems* – Viewports, camera lenses, solar panels, space suit visors, mass spectrometers, other sensitive optical instruments
 - *Thermal Surfaces* – Thermal radiators, thermal painted surfaces, thermal connections
- **Seals, Soft Goods, and Fabrics:**
 - *Fabrics* – Space suit fabrics, soft wall habitats, mechanism covers
 - *Seals and Soft Goods* – Space suit interfaces, hatches, connectors, hoses
- **Mechanisms:**
 - *Mechanisms* – Linear actuators, bearings, rotary joints, hinges, quick disconnects, valves, linkages
- **Monitoring and Filtration:**
 - *Gaseous Filtration* – Atmosphere revitalization, ISRU processes
 - *Dust monitoring* – Cabin and external dust monitoring
- **Modeling:** – *Dust plume modeling*
- **Lunar Surface Modification** – Lunar landing pads, dust free zones and workspaces
- **Isolation Technologies** – Technologies that keep dust out



Lunar Dust & Impact on E&C

- “The Moon’s dust is made up of ultra-tiny grains — formed by millions of years of meteorite impacts that repeatedly crushed and melted rocks, creating tiny shards of glass and mineral fragments.
- Not only can they travel at hurricane-like speeds, but they also cling to all types of surfaces, not only because of their jagged edges, but also because of their electrostatic charge.” [\[Source: NASA\]](#)

There are many possible impacts of Dust on E&C. Systems and subsystems affected:

- *Optical Systems* – Solar panels, windows, other sensitive optical surfaces
- *Thermal Surfaces* – Thermal radiators, thermal painted surfaces, thermal connections
- *Fabrics* – Covers (mechanisms, thermal, connectors) and external fabric coatings
- *Mechanisms* – Linear actuators, bearings, rotary joints, hinges, quick disconnects, valves, linkages
- *Seals and Soft Goods* – Connectors, hoses, power cables
- *Tools* – Cleaning tools
- *Lunar Surface Modification* – Dust free zones and workspaces

Dust Mitigation Approaches

- **Architectural and Operational**

- Stowage of solar arrays or covering of optically sensitive surfaces during redeployment
- Deployment on dust free zones
- Slower movements to reduce uplifting of dust

- **Passive Technologies**

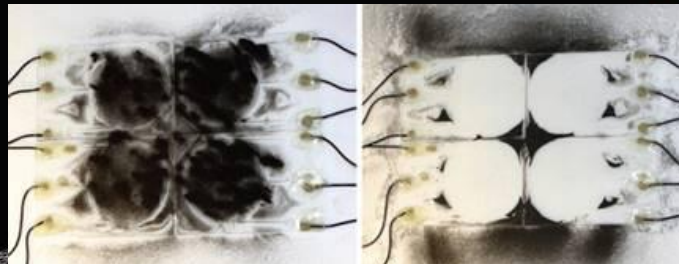
- Materials – Dust repelling materials/surfaces (charged and/or patterned)
- Coatings/Paints – Opaque and clear dust repelling surface coatings
- Fabrics – Dust tolerant covers
- Seals and Soft Goods – Dust tolerant connectors, hoses, power cables

- **Mechanisms**

- Dust tolerant actuators, bearings, rotary joints, hinges, quick disconnects, valves, linkages

- **Active Technologies**

- Electrostatic and plasma ion beams
- Electrodynamic Dust Shield (EDS)
- Wireless power transfer
- Cleaning tools such as jets and brushes



LSIC Activities

Recent and Upcoming LSIC Meetings and Workshops (<https://lsic.jhuapl.edu/Events/>)

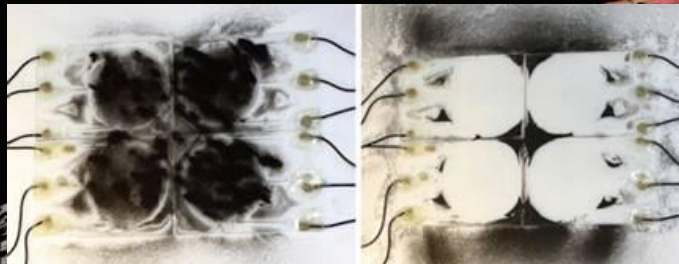
- LSIC Spring Meeting (05/04-05/05) – Virtual & In-Person
 - Agenda Available Here: <https://lsic.jhuapl.edu/Events/Agenda/index.php?id=200>
 - LSIC Focus Group Reports @ 1:50pm EST on Thursday, 4/5
- Dust Mitigation FG Meeting (05/18)

Other Recent and Upcoming Dust Mitigation Related Workshop and Meetings

- LSIC Extreme Access (EA) and Extreme Environments (EE): **Designing for the Extremes Workshop** (Virtual – Monday, 6/6)
 - Half-day virtual workshop to talk through the many challenges associated with regolith excavation and transport.
 - <https://lsic.jhuapl.edu/Events/Agenda/index.php?id=232>
- **Space Resources Roundtable XXII Meeting** (Colorado School of Mines in Golden, CO, USA – Tuesday 6/7 – Friday 6/10)
 - The 22nd SRR meeting will present innovative approaches in space resource identification, technology development, utilization, public and private partnerships, and capability and regulatory regimes.
 - <https://lsic.jhuapl.edu/Events/Agenda/index.php?id=199>

Keep up-to-date about Dust Mitigation!

- Sign-up to Receive LSIC and Dust Mitigation FG Updates:
 - Fill out the LSIC Survey and indicate interest in Dust Mitigation to receive news and event invitations:
 - <https://lsic.jhuapl.edu/News/Sign-Up.php>
- Help us improve the Dust Mitigation Focus Group!
 - Feedback survey: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdjuTIK_TLMnCM4_aSMLAzLS762qtzbgmcOd2fgizlCsab6KQ/viewform
- Join one of the Dust Mitigation Subgroups!
 - Dust Mitigation Subgroup Membership/Leaders survey: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScB6iT2fgPqj2zIaP0s-rwWQDQ04TPfgVyiC5zn0AQPAT5CZA/viewform>
- Interested in Teaming/Collaborating with Others?
 - Add yourself to our Who's Who page: <https://lsic-wiki.jhuapl.edu/display/DM/Who%27s+Who+In+Dust+Mitigation>
- Looking for info on lunar dust or dust mitigation resources?
 - Checkout our resources page on the Dust Mitigation Wiki page on Confluence: <https://lsic-wiki.jhuapl.edu/x/94Rf>



LSIC | MOSA Working Group

- Today's MOSA Questions
 - Within this capability area, what would you designate as a critical interface?
 - What is the boundary that interfaces with the larger system?
 - What are the existing efforts on standards/interoperability in this area? Are they applicable to the Moon?
- What do you want to get out of the MOSA working group?



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