



**MARS SAMPLE RETURN: PLANNING
CONSIDERATIONS FOR SEARCHING FOR
BIOSIGNATURES IN SAMPLES FROM MARS**

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00:00:05,110 --> 00:00:02,710
so uh good morning almost afternoon

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00:00:06,950 --> 00:00:05,120
everyone thank you for coming today my

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00:00:08,950 --> 00:00:06,960
name is brandi carrier and i'm going to

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00:00:11,430 --> 00:00:08,960
be presenting um some of the advanced

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00:00:13,830 --> 00:00:11,440
planning and planning considerations

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00:00:15,270 --> 00:00:13,840
related to searching for biosignatures

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00:00:17,830 --> 00:00:15,280
in the samples that we're hoping to

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00:00:19,990 --> 00:00:17,840
return via mars sample return

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00:00:22,470 --> 00:00:20,000
i'm presenting this on behalf of some of

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00:00:23,750 --> 00:00:22,480
the msr campaign science leadership

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00:00:25,990 --> 00:00:23,760
including

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00:00:28,070 --> 00:00:26,000
michael meyer gerhard kaminik

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00:00:30,470 --> 00:00:28,080

minnie wadwa who's here in the front row

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00:00:32,950 --> 00:00:30,480

dave beatty fiona thiessen and lindsay

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00:00:36,709 --> 00:00:32,960

hayes but i'm going to be handling the

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00:00:42,229 --> 00:00:39,030

so just a little bit of an overview of

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00:00:43,670 --> 00:00:42,239

the mars sample return campaign um can

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00:00:44,470 --> 00:00:43,680

you guys everyone can see the slides

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00:00:46,950 --> 00:00:44,480

okay

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00:00:49,270 --> 00:00:46,960

um so as i'm sure you all know the mars

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00:00:51,430 --> 00:00:49,280

sample return campaign is broken into uh

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00:00:53,110 --> 00:00:51,440

several different kind of components the

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00:00:56,069 --> 00:00:53,120

first component of course is the the

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00:00:58,310 --> 00:00:56,079

mars 2020 sample collecting rover which

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00:01:00,310 --> 00:00:58,320

is doing fantastic work right now on

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00:01:03,110 --> 00:01:00,320
mars in jezreel crater

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00:01:05,189 --> 00:01:03,120
um which to establish the geology of the

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00:01:07,270 --> 00:01:05,199
samples to do the sample selection and

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00:01:09,270 --> 00:01:07,280
acquisition documenting the sample

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00:01:10,630 --> 00:01:09,280
context and using all their in-situ

31
00:01:12,070 --> 00:01:10,640
instruments to

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00:01:13,750 --> 00:01:12,080
generate some advanced knowledge of the

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00:01:16,550 --> 00:01:13,760
samples to be returned

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00:01:18,870 --> 00:01:16,560
and then the mars sample return consists

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00:01:21,270 --> 00:01:18,880
of the flight missions which will go to

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00:01:23,190 --> 00:01:21,280
mars and retrieve the samples and return

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00:01:25,670 --> 00:01:23,200
them to earth hopefully returning the

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00:01:27,990 --> 00:01:25,680

samples in 2033.

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00:01:29,830 --> 00:01:28,000

so it's a very complex series of

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00:01:31,910 --> 00:01:29,840

missions there's of course going to be a

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00:01:33,350 --> 00:01:31,920

sample retrieval aspect

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00:01:34,630 --> 00:01:33,360

for which the architecture is kind of

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00:01:36,390 --> 00:01:34,640

still in flux

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00:01:38,950 --> 00:01:36,400

but the the samples some of the samples

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00:01:40,630 --> 00:01:38,960

may be delivered by the mars 2020 rover

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00:01:42,550 --> 00:01:40,640

directly to the

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00:01:44,789 --> 00:01:42,560

sample retrieval lander and then the

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00:01:46,469 --> 00:01:44,799

samples will be launched off mars via a

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00:01:48,710 --> 00:01:46,479

mars ascent vehicle

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00:01:51,350 --> 00:01:48,720

and released into orbit where they'll be

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00:01:53,429 --> 00:01:51,360
intercepted by an earth return orbiter

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00:01:55,749 --> 00:01:53,439
which has a capture containment and

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00:01:57,830 --> 00:01:55,759
return system which essentially seals

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00:01:59,830 --> 00:01:57,840
the samples inside

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00:02:00,870 --> 00:01:59,840
two layers of containment which

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00:02:03,270 --> 00:02:00,880
essentially

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00:02:05,109 --> 00:02:03,280
breaks the chain of um

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00:02:07,030 --> 00:02:05,119
the contact with uncontained mars

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00:02:10,309 --> 00:02:07,040
material to protect the earth's bio

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00:02:12,710 --> 00:02:10,319
biosphere and then the ero will transit

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00:02:14,630 --> 00:02:12,720
back to earth and release an earth entry

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00:02:16,869 --> 00:02:14,640
system into earth and then hopefully

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00:02:19,110 --> 00:02:16,879

land somewhere in the utah desert as i

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00:02:21,510 --> 00:02:19,120
mentioned in 2033.

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00:02:22,710 --> 00:02:21,520
now from a sample from a sample science

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00:02:24,550 --> 00:02:22,720
standpoint one of the most important

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00:02:26,949 --> 00:02:24,560
things in these flight missions is to

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00:02:29,270 --> 00:02:26,959
maintain the integrity of the samples

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00:02:30,710 --> 00:02:29,280
throughout all of these phases including

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00:02:32,869 --> 00:02:30,720
things like not subjecting them to

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00:02:34,390 --> 00:02:32,879
environmental extremes that would

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00:02:35,830 --> 00:02:34,400
compromise our ability to do all the

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00:02:37,110 --> 00:02:35,840
science we hope to do when the samples

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00:02:38,710 --> 00:02:37,120
come back

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00:02:40,790 --> 00:02:38,720
so today i'm actually going to focus

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00:02:42,470 --> 00:02:40,800
mostly on what happens after the samples

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00:02:43,509 --> 00:02:42,480
come back so

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00:02:45,830 --> 00:02:43,519
right now we're in kind of a

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00:02:48,630 --> 00:02:45,840
pre-formulation phase for a sample

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00:02:50,470 --> 00:02:48,640
receiving project which will be the all

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00:02:53,190 --> 00:02:50,480
of the earth earth-based infrastructure

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00:02:55,350 --> 00:02:53,200
for the msr campaign including a sample

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00:02:57,589 --> 00:02:55,360
receiving facility where the samples

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00:02:59,430 --> 00:02:57,599
would be held in under bsl4 containment

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00:03:01,589 --> 00:02:59,440
until they're either deemed safe for

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00:03:02,790 --> 00:03:01,599
release or sterilized

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00:03:04,390 --> 00:03:02,800
so of course we'll have to do a sample

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00:03:06,550 --> 00:03:04,400

safety assessment

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00:03:08,309 --> 00:03:06,560

a lot of curation-based activities like

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00:03:10,149 --> 00:03:08,319

basic characterization and preliminary

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00:03:12,710 --> 00:03:10,159

examination of the samples

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00:03:14,550 --> 00:03:12,720

and then a lot of hopefully completed

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00:03:16,309 --> 00:03:14,560

sample science investigations both

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00:03:19,190 --> 00:03:16,319

inside and outside the sample receiving

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00:03:20,630 --> 00:03:19,200

facility to kind of get all the science

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00:03:24,390 --> 00:03:20,640

answers we're hoping to get with these

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00:03:27,190 --> 00:03:25,910

so because this is an astrobiology

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00:03:28,710 --> 00:03:27,200

conference i'm going to focus on kind of

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00:03:29,910 --> 00:03:28,720

the planning considerations that we're

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00:03:31,990 --> 00:03:29,920

thinking about

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00:03:34,229 --> 00:03:32,000
that we need to do to optimize the

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00:03:36,789 --> 00:03:34,239
sample analyses related to looking for

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00:03:39,430 --> 00:03:36,799
biosignatures of extinct or extent life

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00:03:41,509 --> 00:03:39,440
in the msr samples and so there's five

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00:03:43,430 --> 00:03:41,519
main topics i'm gonna i'm gonna mention

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00:03:44,869 --> 00:03:43,440
here um the first um being contamination

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00:03:45,830 --> 00:03:44,879
control and knowledge for the samples

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00:03:47,830 --> 00:03:45,840
which of course is going to be very

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00:03:49,830 --> 00:03:47,840
important to distinguish between you

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00:03:52,390 --> 00:03:49,840
know an actual mars biosignature and

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00:03:54,309 --> 00:03:52,400
potential terrestrial contamination

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00:03:55,990 --> 00:03:54,319
as i mentioned a moment ago avoiding

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00:03:57,910 --> 00:03:56,000

environmental extremes that could alter

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00:03:59,830 --> 00:03:57,920

or degrade potential biosignatures so

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00:04:01,270 --> 00:03:59,840

things like avoiding elevated

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00:04:03,429 --> 00:04:01,280

temperatures

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00:04:05,509 --> 00:04:03,439

and

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00:04:07,190 --> 00:04:05,519

avoiding high impact scenarios that

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00:04:09,270 --> 00:04:07,200

could potentially pulverize the samples

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00:04:12,070 --> 00:04:09,280

and impede our ability to look at you

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00:04:14,630 --> 00:04:12,080

know stratigraphic context and molecular

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00:04:15,990 --> 00:04:14,640

patterns in the samples and then the

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00:04:17,430 --> 00:04:16,000

measurements and investigations that

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00:04:19,749 --> 00:04:17,440

will be needed to complete the sample

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00:04:21,430 --> 00:04:19,759

safety assessment and then of course

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00:04:23,030 --> 00:04:21,440

also

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00:04:25,110 --> 00:04:23,040

any other measurements of potential

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00:04:27,189 --> 00:04:25,120

biosignatures determining whether they

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00:04:28,710 --> 00:04:27,199

could be performed on sterilized samples

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00:04:30,790 --> 00:04:28,720

outside biocontainment or whether they

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00:04:32,710 --> 00:04:30,800

need to be planned for as part of the

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00:04:34,790 --> 00:04:32,720

initial set of experiments inside the

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00:04:36,390 --> 00:04:34,800

biocontainment facility

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00:04:37,990 --> 00:04:36,400

and then another really complicated

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00:04:40,150 --> 00:04:38,000

topic is is kind of planning for the

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00:04:41,590 --> 00:04:40,160

sample investigation workflow that can

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00:04:43,270 --> 00:04:41,600

accommodate the measurements i already

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00:04:45,510 --> 00:04:43,280

mentioned as well as measurements that

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00:04:46,629 --> 00:04:45,520

are are time sensitive so i'll touch on

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00:04:49,030 --> 00:04:46,639

each of these things a little bit in the

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00:04:54,390 --> 00:04:49,040

presentation and then open the floor for

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00:04:58,629 --> 00:04:56,390

so for contamination control and

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00:05:00,150 --> 00:04:58,639

knowledge um the mars 2020 rover had

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00:05:02,469 --> 00:05:00,160

very stringent requirements on

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00:05:04,629 --> 00:05:02,479

contamination as well as a comprehensive

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00:05:07,749 --> 00:05:04,639

contamination knowledge program the

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00:05:10,629 --> 00:05:07,759

overall goal is for the return samples

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00:05:14,310 --> 00:05:10,639

to basically have less than 10 ppb of

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00:05:15,430 --> 00:05:14,320

total organic carbon in each sample tube

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00:05:17,510 --> 00:05:15,440

that represents terrestrial

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00:05:19,830 --> 00:05:17,520
contamination and there were actually

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00:05:21,909 --> 00:05:19,840
more stringent limits of i believe

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00:05:23,510 --> 00:05:21,919
one ppb for several

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00:05:24,790 --> 00:05:23,520
compounds that are designated tier one

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00:05:29,350 --> 00:05:24,800
compounds

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00:05:31,749 --> 00:05:29,360
be indicative of of past or present life

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00:05:33,830 --> 00:05:31,759
so very very strict requirements

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00:05:35,430 --> 00:05:33,840
and then the flight missions which are

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00:05:37,350 --> 00:05:35,440
currently under development are also

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00:05:39,830 --> 00:05:37,360
following a strict contamination control

161
00:05:41,749 --> 00:05:39,840
and knowledge plan to limit any organ

162
00:05:44,150 --> 00:05:41,759
any organic contamination that can enter

163
00:05:45,510 --> 00:05:44,160

a sealed sample tube while the samples

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00:05:47,029 --> 00:05:45,520

are in the custody of the flight

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00:05:48,150 --> 00:05:47,039

missions because as

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00:05:50,310 --> 00:05:48,160

everyone in this room knows that

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00:05:51,909 --> 00:05:50,320

contamination can really impede our

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00:05:53,430 --> 00:05:51,919

abilities to make definitive

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00:05:56,390 --> 00:05:53,440

measurements and conclusions when we do

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00:05:59,189 --> 00:05:56,400

our scientific analyses

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00:06:01,110 --> 00:05:59,199

for the sample receiving project we are

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00:06:02,950 --> 00:06:01,120

currently working on developing those

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00:06:05,110 --> 00:06:02,960

contamination control and knowledge

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00:06:06,870 --> 00:06:05,120

requirements and an implementation plan

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00:06:08,550 --> 00:06:06,880

for achieving those so one of the really

176
00:06:10,070 --> 00:06:08,560
complicated things about this sample

177
00:06:13,749 --> 00:06:10,080
receiving facility is not only does it

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00:06:15,430 --> 00:06:13,759
need to be a bsl4 containment facility

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00:06:16,710 --> 00:06:15,440
to prevent anything from getting out and

180
00:06:19,189 --> 00:06:16,720
potentially contaminating earth's

181
00:06:21,110 --> 00:06:19,199
biosphere but unlike traditional bsl-4

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00:06:23,189 --> 00:06:21,120
facilities we also have to worry about

183
00:06:24,950 --> 00:06:23,199
contamination getting into the samples

184
00:06:26,550 --> 00:06:24,960
so there are a lot of potential

185
00:06:27,909 --> 00:06:26,560
implementations that could mitigate that

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00:06:29,749 --> 00:06:27,919
things like double walled isolators

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00:06:31,909 --> 00:06:29,759
where you have a positive flow

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00:06:35,029 --> 00:06:31,919

and a negative flow both protecting the

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00:06:37,510 --> 00:06:35,039

samples and the external environment so

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00:06:39,510 --> 00:06:37,520

that is a activity that is ongoing and

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00:06:41,670 --> 00:06:39,520

you know we plan to kind of come up with

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00:06:45,590 --> 00:06:41,680

a draft implementation plan for that in

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00:06:48,629 --> 00:06:47,590

okay so for sample environmental control

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00:06:51,589 --> 00:06:48,639

um

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00:06:53,670 --> 00:06:51,599

biosignal biosignature degradation will

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00:06:55,029 --> 00:06:53,680

occur if the msr samples are exposed to

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00:06:56,230 --> 00:06:55,039

temperatures that are significantly

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00:06:58,309 --> 00:06:56,240

higher than they've seen in their

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00:07:00,309 --> 00:06:58,319

natural history on mars and i believe

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00:07:03,189 --> 00:07:00,319

mark seftin has a presentation on this

201
00:07:05,990 --> 00:07:03,199
tomorrow we had formed a temperature

202
00:07:08,150 --> 00:07:06,000
time tiger team um earlier this year and

203
00:07:10,230 --> 00:07:08,160
their final report is is about to come

204
00:07:12,629 --> 00:07:10,240
out very soon that looked at what are

205
00:07:14,790 --> 00:07:12,639
the consequences to the science we can

206
00:07:16,870 --> 00:07:14,800
do with the mars samples if the

207
00:07:19,270 --> 00:07:16,880
temperatures are exposed to temperatures

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00:07:20,710 --> 00:07:19,280
above 30 degrees c for for varying

209
00:07:22,629 --> 00:07:20,720
periods of time and what are the

210
00:07:24,870 --> 00:07:22,639
implications of that for science and

211
00:07:27,830 --> 00:07:24,880
that information is used to

212
00:07:30,390 --> 00:07:27,840
evaluate any requests or waivers from

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00:07:32,710 --> 00:07:30,400

the projects to exceed that plus 30c

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00:07:34,390 --> 00:07:32,720

temperature so right now we have a

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00:07:35,510 --> 00:07:34,400

maximum temperature requirement of plus

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00:07:37,270 --> 00:07:35,520

30 c

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00:07:39,510 --> 00:07:37,280

during the retrieval and transport of

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00:07:40,790 --> 00:07:39,520

the samples to earth and we're very much

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00:07:42,550 --> 00:07:40,800

hoping that we can we can meet that

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00:07:44,309 --> 00:07:42,560

requirement we also have reason to

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00:07:46,309 --> 00:07:44,319

believe that the samples will not have

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00:07:49,029 --> 00:07:46,319

seen temperatures higher than that

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00:07:50,710 --> 00:07:49,039

during the custody of mars 2020 or

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00:07:52,550 --> 00:07:50,720

potentially while sitting in a depot on

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00:07:53,990 --> 00:07:52,560

the martian surface

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00:07:55,749 --> 00:07:54,000

and again for the sample receiving

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00:07:58,230 --> 00:07:55,759

project it's a little bit easier to do

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00:08:00,469 --> 00:07:58,240

thermal control in a in a building than

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00:08:02,230 --> 00:08:00,479

it is on a flight mission so we expect

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00:08:04,869 --> 00:08:02,240

there to be a similar thermal

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00:08:06,869 --> 00:08:04,879

requirements for the msr samples and

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00:08:08,070 --> 00:08:06,879

including the ability to potentially

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00:08:10,469 --> 00:08:08,080

preserve

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00:08:11,830 --> 00:08:10,479

select samples or sample splits at much

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00:08:12,950 --> 00:08:11,840

colder temperatures if we think there

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00:08:14,309 --> 00:08:12,960

are signs

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00:08:19,670 --> 00:08:14,319

of

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00:08:21,830 --> 00:08:19,680

or extinct life

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00:08:24,230 --> 00:08:21,840

the other uh environmental consideration

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00:08:25,670 --> 00:08:24,240

is impact and vibration as i mentioned a

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00:08:27,909 --> 00:08:25,680

lot of the value of these samples comes

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00:08:30,230 --> 00:08:27,919

from having sample cores where you can

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00:08:31,430 --> 00:08:30,240

see the stratigraphic relationships of

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00:08:33,430 --> 00:08:31,440

different minerals and different

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depositional layers to each other to

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00:08:36,949 --> 00:08:35,680

kind of derive a history of habitability

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00:08:39,670 --> 00:08:36,959

and potentially a history of

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00:08:41,909 --> 00:08:39,680

biosignatures on mars as the samples

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00:08:44,470 --> 00:08:41,919

were naturally deposited

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00:08:46,790 --> 00:08:44,480

so there is a general goal for mars

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00:08:48,790 --> 00:08:46,800
sample return as a whole including mars

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00:08:51,430 --> 00:08:48,800
2020 and the flight missions to limit

253
00:08:53,110 --> 00:08:51,440
the overall fracturing of the samples so

254
00:08:54,230 --> 00:08:53,120
that greater than

255
00:08:56,150 --> 00:08:54,240
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256
00:08:57,590 --> 00:08:56,160
of the samples are in pieces with the

257
00:09:00,150 --> 00:08:57,600
longest dimension

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00:09:01,670 --> 00:09:00,160
um no shorter than 10 millimeters so

259
00:09:04,230 --> 00:09:01,680
that even if we do have fracturing we

260
00:09:05,670 --> 00:09:04,240
can hopefully you know reconstruct um

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00:09:07,269 --> 00:09:05,680
well it's like a puzzle right putting

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00:09:08,949 --> 00:09:07,279
the puzzle pieces back together but

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00:09:10,790 --> 00:09:08,959

obviously the less fracturing we induce

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00:09:12,150 --> 00:09:10,800

the better

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00:09:13,670 --> 00:09:12,160

and currently there's an activity

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00:09:15,910 --> 00:09:13,680

underway by the mars sample return

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00:09:17,910 --> 00:09:15,920

program looking at their other different

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00:09:19,509 --> 00:09:17,920

vibrational and impact

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00:09:20,470 --> 00:09:19,519

environments throughout the entire

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00:09:22,630 --> 00:09:20,480

course

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00:09:24,949 --> 00:09:22,640

of the retrieval and delivery missions

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00:09:29,110 --> 00:09:24,959

to ensure that we can preserve those

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00:09:33,750 --> 00:09:31,430

so once the samples arrive at the sample

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00:09:36,389 --> 00:09:33,760

receiving facility and we start you know

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00:09:37,910 --> 00:09:36,399

extracting them from the hardware and

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00:09:39,110 --> 00:09:37,920
hopefully opening the tubes there will

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00:09:41,030 --> 00:09:39,120
be a

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00:09:43,269 --> 00:09:41,040
suite of curation activities

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00:09:45,190 --> 00:09:43,279
for example ct scanning of the tubes

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00:09:46,870 --> 00:09:45,200
before they're opened and things like

281
00:09:48,070 --> 00:09:46,880
that to get an idea of the context and

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00:09:51,030 --> 00:09:48,080
how the pieces of the samples fit

283
00:09:52,710 --> 00:09:51,040
together and to identify the samples to

284
00:09:54,470 --> 00:09:52,720
potentially open first

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00:09:57,269 --> 00:09:54,480
so as i mentioned due to planetary

286
00:09:58,870 --> 00:09:57,279
protection concerns

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00:10:01,269 --> 00:09:58,880
all of the samples will have to stay

288
00:10:03,430 --> 00:10:01,279

under biosafety level 4 containment

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00:10:05,910 --> 00:10:03,440

until they are deemed safe for release

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00:10:08,389 --> 00:10:05,920

via a sample safety assessment

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00:10:09,750 --> 00:10:08,399

or until they are sterilized

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00:10:11,670 --> 00:10:09,760

now

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00:10:14,069 --> 00:10:11,680

two of the most common ways to sterilize

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00:10:15,269 --> 00:10:14,079

samples are with you know high heat

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00:10:17,829 --> 00:10:15,279

or with

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00:10:20,470 --> 00:10:17,839

radiation and both of those things would

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00:10:23,190 --> 00:10:20,480

impact the preservation of biosignatures

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00:10:24,630 --> 00:10:23,200

particularly organic biosignatures that

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00:10:26,389 --> 00:10:24,640

we really want to look for in the

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00:10:28,790 --> 00:10:26,399

samples

301
00:10:30,470 --> 00:10:28,800
so how do we actually prove that the

302
00:10:31,910 --> 00:10:30,480
samples are safe i'm sure as you can

303
00:10:33,750 --> 00:10:31,920
imagine this is this is a complicated

304
00:10:36,230 --> 00:10:33,760
question because essentially you have to

305
00:10:37,910 --> 00:10:36,240
disprove life rather than than prove

306
00:10:40,150 --> 00:10:37,920
life and it's very hard to prove a

307
00:10:42,470 --> 00:10:40,160
negative as i i'm sure you all know

308
00:10:44,870 --> 00:10:42,480
so um over the last few years the

309
00:10:47,030 --> 00:10:44,880
committee on space research or coast bar

310
00:10:48,630 --> 00:10:47,040
the sample safety assessment framework

311
00:10:50,550 --> 00:10:48,640
group

312
00:10:52,069 --> 00:10:50,560
has been working to kind of develop a

313
00:10:54,630 --> 00:10:52,079

framework for how to go about

314

00:10:56,710 --> 00:10:54,640

implementing a sample safety assessment

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00:10:58,310 --> 00:10:56,720

for the msr samples

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00:10:59,990 --> 00:10:58,320

so the objective of the safety

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00:11:01,750 --> 00:11:00,000

assessment would be to evaluate whether

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00:11:03,590 --> 00:11:01,760

the samples returned from mars could be

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00:11:05,990 --> 00:11:03,600

harmful for earth's systems for the

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00:11:07,910 --> 00:11:06,000

environment for the biosphere for

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00:11:09,750 --> 00:11:07,920

geochemical cycles

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00:11:11,829 --> 00:11:09,760

and so the scope of the sample safety

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00:11:13,509 --> 00:11:11,839

assessment framework was to evaluate

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00:11:15,670 --> 00:11:13,519

whether the presence of martian life can

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00:11:18,069 --> 00:11:15,680

be definitively excluded

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00:11:19,670 --> 00:11:18,079

in samples from mars to within a certain

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00:11:21,750 --> 00:11:19,680

confidence ratio

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00:11:24,790 --> 00:11:21,760

if the presence of marginalized can't be

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00:11:27,030 --> 00:11:24,800

excluded via a series of investigations

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00:11:29,190 --> 00:11:27,040

a holding critical review phase would be

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00:11:30,790 --> 00:11:29,200

established to evaluate the risk

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00:11:32,790 --> 00:11:30,800

management measures and decide on the

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00:11:35,269 --> 00:11:32,800

next steps

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00:11:36,550 --> 00:11:35,279

so um there's actually a paper put out

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00:11:39,030 --> 00:11:36,560

by this working group that's going to be

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00:11:40,630 --> 00:11:39,040

available online in astrobiology in the

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00:11:41,990 --> 00:11:40,640

next week or so so you'll be able to

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00:11:43,990 --> 00:11:42,000

look at more details at that point but

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00:11:46,310 --> 00:11:44,000

i'll just go through a little bit of the

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00:11:48,949 --> 00:11:46,320

of the report here

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00:11:51,590 --> 00:11:48,959

so there's a few principles that provide

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00:11:53,670 --> 00:11:51,600

the basis of this framework so first of

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00:11:55,269 --> 00:11:53,680

all you the use of a hypothesis-driven

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00:11:57,910 --> 00:11:55,279

approach in the development for life

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00:11:59,910 --> 00:11:57,920

detection investigations so

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00:12:01,030 --> 00:11:59,920

the measurements for science which

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00:12:02,790 --> 00:12:01,040

basically starts from the null

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00:12:04,949 --> 00:12:02,800

hypothesis that there are no that there

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00:12:06,710 --> 00:12:04,959

is no life in the samples and the same

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00:12:08,550 --> 00:12:06,720

sample safety assessment which starts

351
00:12:09,670 --> 00:12:08,560
from the positive hypothesis and

352
00:12:11,030 --> 00:12:09,680
attempts to

353
00:12:12,470 --> 00:12:11,040
disprove that there's life in the

354
00:12:14,949 --> 00:12:12,480
samples

355
00:12:16,230 --> 00:12:14,959
although these are two different

356
00:12:17,829 --> 00:12:16,240
regimes

357
00:12:18,870 --> 00:12:17,839
it relies on a lot of the same types of

358
00:12:21,350 --> 00:12:18,880
measurements and scientific

359
00:12:23,110 --> 00:12:21,360
investigations as we go forward

360
00:12:24,949 --> 00:12:23,120
so the sample safety assessment has to

361
00:12:27,110 --> 00:12:24,959
be data driven and it needs to be

362
00:12:29,509 --> 00:12:27,120
responsive to the results of different

363
00:12:31,750 --> 00:12:29,519

investigations as the as the results are

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00:12:33,590 --> 00:12:31,760

derived

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00:12:35,670 --> 00:12:33,600

so the main distinction between the

366

00:12:37,190 --> 00:12:35,680

scientific objective to search for life

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00:12:38,710 --> 00:12:37,200

and the sample safety assessment is

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00:12:40,710 --> 00:12:38,720

mainly the degree of rigor and

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00:12:42,790 --> 00:12:40,720

supervision that will be applied so

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00:12:44,629 --> 00:12:42,800

there'll be a much higher standard for

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00:12:46,949 --> 00:12:44,639

evaluating whether the samples are

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00:12:48,389 --> 00:12:46,959

actually safe than potentially there is

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00:12:50,629 --> 00:12:48,399

in looking at you know science results

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00:12:51,910 --> 00:12:50,639

for science sake and a lot of regulatory

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00:12:54,470 --> 00:12:51,920

agencies will be involved here for

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00:12:57,030 --> 00:12:54,480

example the the cdc and potentially the

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00:13:00,389 --> 00:12:57,040

the epa and other governmental

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00:13:04,389 --> 00:13:02,470

so there's a few major elements that

379

00:13:07,670 --> 00:13:04,399

drive the sample safety assessment

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00:13:09,110 --> 00:13:07,680

framework the use of bayesian statistics

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00:13:11,190 --> 00:13:09,120

with so you start with a starting

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00:13:13,110 --> 00:13:11,200

hypothesis of you know what is the

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00:13:15,670 --> 00:13:13,120

likelihood of there being life in the

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00:13:17,670 --> 00:13:15,680

samples estimating the number of tests

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00:13:20,069 --> 00:13:17,680

you will need for each sample tube how

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00:13:22,069 --> 00:13:20,079

many subsamples you'll have to analyze

387

00:13:25,350 --> 00:13:22,079

and then a targeted sub sampling

388

00:13:27,030 --> 00:13:25,360

strategy which would be used to identify

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00:13:29,990 --> 00:13:27,040

the pieces in the samples that have the

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00:13:32,230 --> 00:13:30,000

highest priority for preserving evidence

391

00:13:33,829 --> 00:13:32,240

of well extant life which is really the

392

00:13:35,509 --> 00:13:33,839

question here although a lot of the

393

00:13:37,030 --> 00:13:35,519

investigations that you would do for

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00:13:38,550 --> 00:13:37,040

extant life are similar to the ones you

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00:13:41,189 --> 00:13:38,560

would do for extinct life

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00:13:43,350 --> 00:13:41,199

and so this requires structural chemical

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00:13:45,110 --> 00:13:43,360

and mineralogical information

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00:13:46,949 --> 00:13:45,120

um to be collected during the test

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00:13:48,949 --> 00:13:46,959

sequence and then there'll be a need to

400

00:13:50,790 --> 00:13:48,959

set up a decision framework which will

401
00:13:53,269 --> 00:13:50,800
include regulations for you know quality

402
00:13:55,590 --> 00:13:53,279
control what are the processes for data

403
00:13:58,389 --> 00:13:55,600
reduction what are the criteria for the

404
00:14:00,230 --> 00:13:58,399
various steps in the test sequence and

405
00:14:02,629 --> 00:14:00,240
then you know when do you pause and

406
00:14:04,949 --> 00:14:02,639
review if you have a positive detection

407
00:14:06,710 --> 00:14:04,959
or an uncertain detection

408
00:14:09,189 --> 00:14:06,720
so the main purpose as i mentioned of

409
00:14:11,110 --> 00:14:09,199
the test sequence is to exclude the

410
00:14:13,590 --> 00:14:11,120
presence of martian life specifically

411
00:14:15,910 --> 00:14:13,600
extent martian life

412
00:14:18,150 --> 00:14:15,920
so the sensitivity and specificity of

413
00:14:19,670 --> 00:14:18,160

the overall test sequence in each in

414

00:14:21,829 --> 00:14:19,680

each experiment that's done in the test

415

00:14:23,269 --> 00:14:21,839

sequence in influences the number of

416

00:14:25,670 --> 00:14:23,279

tests needed to

417

00:14:27,269 --> 00:14:25,680

achieve a certain level of assurance

418

00:14:30,069 --> 00:14:27,279

so and then once you've done all these

419

00:14:32,069 --> 00:14:30,079

tests of on n sub samples of a specific

420

00:14:33,750 --> 00:14:32,079

sample tube you have a result that you

421

00:14:35,829 --> 00:14:33,760

think is verified within a predefined

422

00:14:37,670 --> 00:14:35,839

level of assurance it's only valid for

423

00:14:39,030 --> 00:14:37,680

that one sample tube because as we know

424

00:14:39,990 --> 00:14:39,040

the samples are collected from from

425

00:14:41,910 --> 00:14:40,000

different places and they're

426

00:14:43,910 --> 00:14:41,920

representative of different periods in

427

00:14:46,310 --> 00:14:43,920

martian time and different environments

428

00:14:48,069 --> 00:14:46,320

which may or may not be more conducive

429

00:14:49,750 --> 00:14:48,079

to extent life

430

00:14:52,310 --> 00:14:49,760

but the results you get from one sample

431

00:14:54,310 --> 00:14:52,320

tube do inform the pre-test probability

432

00:14:56,550 --> 00:14:54,320

for other sample tubes

433

00:14:58,710 --> 00:14:56,560

so here's kind of an overview of the

434

00:15:01,750 --> 00:14:58,720

integrated test sequence that's being

435

00:15:03,750 --> 00:15:01,760

proposed by the sample safety assessment

436

00:15:06,069 --> 00:15:03,760

working group so you can see that there

437

00:15:07,350 --> 00:15:06,079

are basically nine steps here includes

438

00:15:09,110 --> 00:15:07,360

things like the three-dimensional

439

00:15:11,110 --> 00:15:09,120

structure of the samples

440

00:15:13,030 --> 00:15:11,120

analysis of the headspace gas from the

441

00:15:14,790 --> 00:15:13,040

sample tubes

442

00:15:17,030 --> 00:15:14,800

looking at the chemistry and mineralogy

443

00:15:19,030 --> 00:15:17,040

of the samples and then using refined

444

00:15:20,550 --> 00:15:19,040

subsampling to choose

445

00:15:23,509 --> 00:15:20,560

the subsamples that have the highest

446

00:15:25,750 --> 00:15:23,519

probability of preserving extant life

447

00:15:28,150 --> 00:15:25,760

based on the chemistry and mineralogy

448

00:15:31,030 --> 00:15:28,160

and then a suite of analyses related to

449

00:15:32,269 --> 00:15:31,040

looking for organic molecules molecular

450

00:15:34,949 --> 00:15:32,279

patterns

451
00:15:36,550 --> 00:15:34,959
macromolecules and these steps four

452
00:15:38,870 --> 00:15:36,560
through six all kind of feed into step

453
00:15:40,870 --> 00:15:38,880
seven which is to exclude life as we

454
00:15:42,150 --> 00:15:40,880
know it from the samples

455
00:15:43,910 --> 00:15:42,160
and then of course there needs to be

456
00:15:45,430 --> 00:15:43,920
another step which is step eight which

457
00:15:47,990 --> 00:15:45,440
uses other more

458
00:15:50,150 --> 00:15:48,000
agnostic uh life detection

459
00:15:52,710 --> 00:15:50,160
measurements to rule out life as we

460
00:15:54,790 --> 00:15:52,720
don't know it and then again a stop and

461
00:15:56,710 --> 00:15:54,800
a critical review phase to determine

462
00:15:58,870 --> 00:15:56,720
whether we have actually

463
00:16:02,150 --> 00:15:58,880

excluded martian life in the samples to

464

00:16:03,590 --> 00:16:02,160

a defined degree of assurance

465

00:16:05,189 --> 00:16:03,600

and then you can decide on the next

466

00:16:07,110 --> 00:16:05,199

steps is that sample that was in that

467

00:16:08,949 --> 00:16:07,120

sample tube is it is it safe to release

468

00:16:10,230 --> 00:16:08,959

to outside laboratories for further

469

00:16:13,189 --> 00:16:10,240

analysis

470

00:16:15,030 --> 00:16:13,199

are more analyses needed does the sample

471

00:16:17,030 --> 00:16:15,040

does the sample indicate that there is

472

00:16:18,230 --> 00:16:17,040

martian life in the in the sample tube

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00:16:19,749 --> 00:16:18,240

in which case

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00:16:21,110 --> 00:16:19,759

of course there's a whole other suite of

475

00:16:23,110 --> 00:16:21,120

experiments you want to do but you'd

476
00:16:24,470 --> 00:16:23,120
have to do them inside bio containment

477
00:16:25,910 --> 00:16:24,480
you probably wouldn't want to sterilize

478
00:16:28,310 --> 00:16:25,920
a sample that you think has margin life

479
00:16:30,310 --> 00:16:28,320
in it until you've fully analyzed

480
00:16:31,509 --> 00:16:30,320
anything that's in that tube so again

481
00:16:33,350 --> 00:16:31,519
these point to more things that would

482
00:16:35,030 --> 00:16:33,360
need to be done in a bio containment

483
00:16:36,790 --> 00:16:35,040
environment whereas if you think you've

484
00:16:39,110 --> 00:16:36,800
definitively ruled out life perhaps you

485
00:16:40,550 --> 00:16:39,120
could release that sample for you know

486
00:16:48,470 --> 00:16:40,560
all kinds of other measurements outside

487
00:16:52,870 --> 00:16:51,030
so in order to fully kind of scope what

488
00:16:54,230 --> 00:16:52,880

needs to be done in a sample receiving

489

00:16:55,670 --> 00:16:54,240

facility we need to think about all the

490

00:16:57,670 --> 00:16:55,680

possibilities

491

00:17:00,550 --> 00:16:57,680

you know if we can't to rule out extant

492

00:17:01,590 --> 00:17:00,560

life in a sample tube and we can only

493

00:17:02,870 --> 00:17:01,600

release samples that have been

494

00:17:04,549 --> 00:17:02,880

sterilized

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00:17:06,069 --> 00:17:04,559

and we know we need to know what kind of

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00:17:07,669 --> 00:17:06,079

measurements and investigations would be

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00:17:10,949 --> 00:17:07,679

impacted by those

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00:17:13,590 --> 00:17:10,959

sterilization processes so the msr

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00:17:15,350 --> 00:17:13,600

science planning group 2

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00:17:16,470 --> 00:17:15,360

has a report on this topic trying to

501
00:17:18,390 --> 00:17:16,480
identify

502
00:17:19,909 --> 00:17:18,400
all of the potential objectives of mars

503
00:17:21,590 --> 00:17:19,919
sample return all of the potential

504
00:17:24,150 --> 00:17:21,600
investigations we'd want to do

505
00:17:26,150 --> 00:17:24,160
starting from the international msr

506
00:17:28,150 --> 00:17:26,160
objectives and samples team study from

507
00:17:28,950 --> 00:17:28,160
2018

508
00:17:30,789 --> 00:17:28,960
and

509
00:17:33,430 --> 00:17:30,799
deriving

510
00:17:36,310 --> 00:17:33,440
which of these investigations would be

511
00:17:37,990 --> 00:17:36,320
degrade degraded or you know altered if

512
00:17:41,350 --> 00:17:38,000
we were to sterilize the samples using

513
00:17:43,669 --> 00:17:41,360

either uh thermal or gamma irradiation

514

00:17:45,190 --> 00:17:43,679

sterilization techniques

515

00:17:46,789 --> 00:17:45,200

and again this is this report also is

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00:17:51,110 --> 00:17:46,799

available this one's already available

517

00:17:54,150 --> 00:17:53,190

so the challenge as i mentioned is that

518

00:17:56,070 --> 00:17:54,160

the samples are going to be held in

519

00:17:58,470 --> 00:17:56,080

biocontainment until they're deemed safe

520

00:18:00,950 --> 00:17:58,480

or are rendered safe via sterilization

521

00:18:02,549 --> 00:18:00,960

and we know that sterilization processes

522

00:18:04,230 --> 00:18:02,559

would permanently alter certain

523

00:18:05,590 --> 00:18:04,240

characteristics of the sample and a lot

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00:18:07,350 --> 00:18:05,600

of those characteristics are things that

525

00:18:08,470 --> 00:18:07,360

have high value or high interest to

526
00:18:10,549 --> 00:18:08,480
science

527
00:18:12,390 --> 00:18:10,559
so if these measurements aren't planned

528
00:18:13,669 --> 00:18:12,400
to happen inside the sample receiving

529
00:18:17,110 --> 00:18:13,679
facility

530
00:18:19,590 --> 00:18:17,120
scientific inves information may be lost

531
00:18:21,590 --> 00:18:19,600
so the starting point here was to

532
00:18:23,430 --> 00:18:21,600
identify the sample attributes that

533
00:18:25,510 --> 00:18:23,440
would be vulnerable to alteration via

534
00:18:27,510 --> 00:18:25,520
either heat or gamma or radiation

535
00:18:30,070 --> 00:18:27,520
sterilization and of course this

536
00:18:32,390 --> 00:18:30,080
includes biosignatures of extant or

537
00:18:34,710 --> 00:18:32,400
extinct martian life

538
00:18:36,870 --> 00:18:34,720

potentially the

539

00:18:39,110 --> 00:18:36,880

composition of the sample head space gas

540

00:18:40,789 --> 00:18:39,120

which has evolved from the sample

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00:18:43,190 --> 00:18:40,799

during transport

542

00:18:45,590 --> 00:18:43,200

indicators of paleo habitability and

543

00:18:48,230 --> 00:18:45,600

biosignature preservation potential and

544

00:18:50,549 --> 00:18:48,240

also properties of either volatile rich

545

00:18:53,909 --> 00:18:50,559

or amorphous materials which are very

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00:18:56,230 --> 00:18:53,919

sensitive to elevated heat

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00:18:57,190 --> 00:18:56,240

and then we also identified overlap

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00:18:58,870 --> 00:18:57,200

between

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00:19:00,710 --> 00:18:58,880

measurements that are time sensitive

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00:19:03,510 --> 00:19:00,720

which i'll talk more about in the next

551
00:19:06,070 --> 00:19:03,520
module and then sterilization sensitive

552
00:19:07,669 --> 00:19:06,080
and then we we feel that we can plan to

553
00:19:09,669 --> 00:19:07,679
conduct anything that's quote unquote

554
00:19:11,430 --> 00:19:09,679
sterilization tolerant

555
00:19:13,110 --> 00:19:11,440
outside of the sample receiving facility

556
00:19:14,630 --> 00:19:13,120
so there are many measurements that

557
00:19:16,870 --> 00:19:14,640
aren't related to organics or bio

558
00:19:18,549 --> 00:19:16,880
signatures things like geochronology

559
00:19:21,110 --> 00:19:18,559
related measurements things that are

560
00:19:23,909 --> 00:19:21,120
much more tolerant to high heat so

561
00:19:25,830 --> 00:19:23,919
theoretically some samples or subsamples

562
00:19:27,830 --> 00:19:25,840
could be sterilized relatively quickly

563
00:19:29,909 --> 00:19:27,840

and released to outside laboratories to

564

00:19:31,270 --> 00:19:29,919

do these types of investigations so we

565

00:19:32,310 --> 00:19:31,280

didn't worry too much about those

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00:19:34,390 --> 00:19:32,320

because we think that there's a good

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00:19:35,909 --> 00:19:34,400

pathway to get those done

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00:19:39,590 --> 00:19:35,919

and so one of the main findings here was

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00:19:41,590 --> 00:19:39,600

that most aspects of msr science

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00:19:43,830 --> 00:19:41,600

should be planned to be performed on

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00:19:45,350 --> 00:19:43,840

samples deemed safe in uncontained

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00:19:47,029 --> 00:19:45,360

laboratories so whether that's by

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00:19:48,150 --> 00:19:47,039

sterilization or the sample safety

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00:19:51,430 --> 00:19:48,160

assessment

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00:19:53,029 --> 00:19:51,440

however other aspects of msr science

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00:19:55,350 --> 00:19:53,039

would be both time sensitive and

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00:19:57,270 --> 00:19:55,360

sterilization sensitive including and

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00:19:59,430 --> 00:19:57,280

especially the search for life

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00:20:01,190 --> 00:19:59,440

assessment of habitability and volatile

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00:20:03,270 --> 00:20:01,200

exchange processes so these we need to

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00:20:05,350 --> 00:20:03,280

plan for how to carry them out

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00:20:08,549 --> 00:20:05,360

successfully inside a biocontainment

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00:20:12,390 --> 00:20:10,470

so one of the kind of key strategies

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00:20:14,230 --> 00:20:12,400

here you see this um this red box that

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00:20:16,470 --> 00:20:14,240

says srf these are the things we think

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00:20:18,070 --> 00:20:16,480

need to be need to happen within within

587

00:20:19,510 --> 00:20:18,080

the sample receiving facility we need to

588

00:20:21,029 --> 00:20:19,520

have the instruments and the

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00:20:22,950 --> 00:20:21,039

capabilities and the infrastructure to

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00:20:24,710 --> 00:20:22,960

do these so there's the curation related

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00:20:26,549 --> 00:20:24,720

things that i mentioned so basically

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00:20:28,789 --> 00:20:26,559

everything you need to do to develop a

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00:20:29,830 --> 00:20:28,799

sample catalog and effectively allocate

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00:20:31,270 --> 00:20:29,840

the right samples for the right

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00:20:33,750 --> 00:20:31,280

investigations

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00:20:35,909 --> 00:20:33,760

the sample safety assessment protocol

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00:20:37,750 --> 00:20:35,919

any science that's time sensitive so

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00:20:40,070 --> 00:20:37,760

basically things that start to change or

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00:20:42,310 --> 00:20:40,080

we re-equilibrate once you um once you

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00:20:44,149 --> 00:20:42,320

remove the the caps from the tubes

601
00:20:45,830 --> 00:20:44,159
and then any sterilization sensitive

602
00:20:47,750 --> 00:20:45,840
science that overlaps with those above

603
00:20:49,270 --> 00:20:47,760
three categories and then you have this

604
00:20:51,350 --> 00:20:49,280
decision point that you will that you

605
00:20:53,029 --> 00:20:51,360
reach after the sample safety assessment

606
00:20:55,430 --> 00:20:53,039
is it okay to release unsterilized

607
00:20:56,950 --> 00:20:55,440
samples if yes then you you've released

608
00:20:59,830 --> 00:20:56,960
the samples and you work on released

609
00:21:01,830 --> 00:20:59,840
unsterilized samples in uncontained labs

610
00:21:03,830 --> 00:21:01,840
you know all over the world

611
00:21:05,669 --> 00:21:03,840
if it's determined that

612
00:21:07,190 --> 00:21:05,679
we can't release unsterilized samples

613
00:21:09,270 --> 00:21:07,200

due to you know a positive or

614

00:21:10,950 --> 00:21:09,280

inconclusive result we could sterilize

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00:21:12,630 --> 00:21:10,960

and release some samples in to

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00:21:14,710 --> 00:21:12,640

uncontained laboratories for for things

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00:21:16,310 --> 00:21:14,720

that are not sterilization sensitive but

618

00:21:19,430 --> 00:21:16,320

we would need to add contingency

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00:21:21,590 --> 00:21:19,440

capability inside biocontainment somehow

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00:21:23,909 --> 00:21:21,600

to do any other sterilization sensitive

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00:21:26,230 --> 00:21:23,919

science and particularly if if signs of

622

00:21:27,270 --> 00:21:26,240

life are detected in the samples you can

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00:21:28,310 --> 00:21:27,280

you can imagine a whole suite of

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00:21:30,070 --> 00:21:28,320

experiments you would want to do to

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00:21:32,390 --> 00:21:30,080

characterize that life and that would

626
00:21:37,669 --> 00:21:32,400
have to be done under biocontainment

627
00:21:41,830 --> 00:21:39,990
so this goes back to again how do you

628
00:21:43,430 --> 00:21:41,840
develop a sample workflow that makes

629
00:21:45,029 --> 00:21:43,440
sense that accommodates all of the

630
00:21:46,710 --> 00:21:45,039
measurements that i mentioned plus the

631
00:21:48,710 --> 00:21:46,720
time-sensitive measurements

632
00:21:50,710 --> 00:21:48,720
so you know as i just mentioned that

633
00:21:52,470 --> 00:21:50,720
well as i mentioned several times the

634
00:21:53,990 --> 00:21:52,480
samples will be held in the srf until

635
00:21:56,549 --> 00:21:54,000
they're deemed safe

636
00:21:57,750 --> 00:21:56,559
but once you break the sample tube seal

637
00:21:58,950 --> 00:21:57,760
you're going to get an equilibrium

638
00:22:00,549 --> 00:21:58,960

change that's going to cause

639

00:22:02,710 --> 00:22:00,559

irreversible changes over time

640

00:22:04,710 --> 00:22:02,720

particularly in volatile rich

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00:22:06,549 --> 00:22:04,720

samples where you have an equilibrium

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00:22:08,710 --> 00:22:06,559

between the martian atmosphere that's

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00:22:11,110 --> 00:22:08,720

been in the sample tube for however many

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00:22:12,710 --> 00:22:11,120

years since the samples have

645

00:22:14,630 --> 00:22:12,720

have been collected until the sample

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00:22:16,789 --> 00:22:14,640

tube is open and then you'll potentially

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00:22:19,270 --> 00:22:16,799

put that open sample tube under you know

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00:22:20,549 --> 00:22:19,280

an inert atmosphere which tend to be

649

00:22:23,590 --> 00:22:20,559

pretty dry so you're going to drive

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00:22:26,230 --> 00:22:23,600

dehydration reactions among other things

651
00:22:28,230 --> 00:22:26,240
so this group of the msr science

652
00:22:29,669 --> 00:22:28,240
planning group phase 2 which also has a

653
00:22:32,470 --> 00:22:29,679
full report available on the

654
00:22:34,390 --> 00:22:32,480
astrobiology website tried to identify

655
00:22:36,149 --> 00:22:34,400
what processes

656
00:22:38,149 --> 00:22:36,159
would contribute to degradation of

657
00:22:40,070 --> 00:22:38,159
important sample attributes at the time

658
00:22:41,350 --> 00:22:40,080
scales of several months or less which

659
00:22:43,350 --> 00:22:41,360
we estimate is the amount of time it

660
00:22:45,350 --> 00:22:43,360
would actually take to deem a sample

661
00:22:47,190 --> 00:22:45,360
safe and and send it to do analysis

662
00:22:49,350 --> 00:22:47,200
elsewhere and they identified things

663
00:22:50,630 --> 00:22:49,360

like degradation of organics which of

664

00:22:52,950 --> 00:22:50,640

course is a key driver for the

665

00:22:55,029 --> 00:22:52,960

astrobiological investigations

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00:22:56,950 --> 00:22:55,039

modification of the headspace gas and

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00:22:58,789 --> 00:22:56,960

mineral volatile exchange

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00:23:01,430 --> 00:22:58,799

so we want to ensure that the sample

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00:23:02,950 --> 00:23:01,440

receiving facility is capable of

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00:23:05,190 --> 00:23:02,960

performing these measurements required

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00:23:06,630 --> 00:23:05,200

to investigate those kind of attributes

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00:23:09,909 --> 00:23:06,640

before they've been altered to the point

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00:23:12,470 --> 00:23:09,919

where we lose valuable science

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00:23:14,470 --> 00:23:12,480

so this working group tried to define

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00:23:15,830 --> 00:23:14,480

that the time scales of the processes

676
00:23:17,590 --> 00:23:15,840
that would underpin these time

677
00:23:19,029 --> 00:23:17,600
sensitivity

678
00:23:21,029 --> 00:23:19,039
measurements and we know that we need to

679
00:23:22,789 --> 00:23:21,039
move quickly for some of these once the

680
00:23:23,830 --> 00:23:22,799
sample tubes are open so you can see

681
00:23:25,510 --> 00:23:23,840
that there's kind of four main

682
00:23:27,830 --> 00:23:25,520
categories here which is the degradation

683
00:23:29,909 --> 00:23:27,840
of organic material which can happen on

684
00:23:32,549 --> 00:23:29,919
the order of hours or days particularly

685
00:23:35,190 --> 00:23:32,559
if there's h₂o or reactive oxygen

686
00:23:36,710 --> 00:23:35,200
species present in the samples

687
00:23:38,549 --> 00:23:36,720
and then the change in the sample

688
00:23:40,549 --> 00:23:38,559

headspace gas composition which is you

689

00:23:42,390 --> 00:23:40,559

know kind of dependent on how well we're

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00:23:44,549 --> 00:23:42,400

able to capture that gas when we're

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00:23:46,070 --> 00:23:44,559

opening the tube um among other things

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00:23:48,310 --> 00:23:46,080

but then there's volatiles that are

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00:23:50,870 --> 00:23:48,320

bound to the samples so things that are

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00:23:53,830 --> 00:23:50,880

like hydrated sulfates or perchlorates

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00:23:56,310 --> 00:23:53,840

or clays can start to lose absorbed

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00:23:58,230 --> 00:23:56,320

water or bound water again on the time

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00:23:59,990 --> 00:23:58,240

scale of hours to days

698

00:24:01,830 --> 00:24:00,000

and the same thing with the hosts of

699

00:24:02,950 --> 00:24:01,840

these kind of solid phase

700

00:24:04,390 --> 00:24:02,960

volatiles

701
00:24:06,230 --> 00:24:04,400
and so everything you kind of see here

702
00:24:07,430 --> 00:24:06,240
under the hours today's categories are

703
00:24:09,190 --> 00:24:07,440
things we think we need to have the

704
00:24:12,390 --> 00:24:09,200
instrumentation to do those things

705
00:24:13,430 --> 00:24:12,400
inside the sample receiving facility

706
00:24:14,630 --> 00:24:13,440
so i've mentioned there's a lot of

707
00:24:16,870 --> 00:24:14,640
things that need to happen in the sample

708
00:24:18,870 --> 00:24:16,880
receiving facility so it's really

709
00:24:21,750 --> 00:24:18,880
complicated to kind of optimize that

710
00:24:23,190 --> 00:24:21,760
sample workflow and to identify

711
00:24:24,549 --> 00:24:23,200
what are the key objectives for the

712
00:24:25,990 --> 00:24:24,559
sample receiving facility so this is

713
00:24:28,070 --> 00:24:26,000

kind of a summary of the things that

714

00:24:30,470 --> 00:24:28,080

we've identified so of course we need to

715

00:24:32,310 --> 00:24:30,480

be able to receive the return spacecraft

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00:24:34,390 --> 00:24:32,320

and carefully take it apart layer by

717

00:24:36,149 --> 00:24:34,400

layer while preserving the integrity of

718

00:24:38,070 --> 00:24:36,159

the samples

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00:24:40,630 --> 00:24:38,080

provide an environment consisting of

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00:24:42,789 --> 00:24:40,640

bsl4 containment and a very high level

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00:24:44,470 --> 00:24:42,799

of cleanliness and contamination control

722

00:24:45,669 --> 00:24:44,480

as well as physical security you can

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00:24:47,830 --> 00:24:45,679

imagine these samples are going to be

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00:24:49,430 --> 00:24:47,840

very very valuable

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00:24:52,149 --> 00:24:49,440

we need to put all the samples into a

726
00:24:54,549 --> 00:24:52,159
safe and stable state including the gas

727
00:24:57,029 --> 00:24:54,559
from inside the tubes any dust that's on

728
00:24:58,630 --> 00:24:57,039
the outside of the tubes and allow

729
00:25:00,230 --> 00:24:58,640
curation to complete the initial

730
00:25:01,750 --> 00:25:00,240
characterization of the sample so that

731
00:25:03,669 --> 00:25:01,760
the right pieces can be allocated for

732
00:25:05,990 --> 00:25:03,679
the right investigations

733
00:25:07,269 --> 00:25:06,000
and then enable all the specific science

734
00:25:08,710 --> 00:25:07,279
investigations that i mentioned

735
00:25:10,149 --> 00:25:08,720
previously including those needed for

736
00:25:11,190 --> 00:25:10,159
the sample safety assessment which is

737
00:25:13,350 --> 00:25:11,200
really key

738
00:25:15,350 --> 00:25:13,360

and then enable sample allocation and

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00:25:17,350 --> 00:25:15,360

pristine sample storage

740

00:25:19,590 --> 00:25:17,360

and then

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00:25:22,710 --> 00:25:19,600

supporting the transition to post srf

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00:25:25,510 --> 00:25:22,720

activities so we imagine that the sample

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00:25:27,350 --> 00:25:25,520

receiving project will have a set of

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00:25:29,669 --> 00:25:27,360

objectives you know the primary science

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00:25:31,590 --> 00:25:29,679

objectives of msr and those will be part

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00:25:32,950 --> 00:25:31,600

of the project but as we know from

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00:25:34,630 --> 00:25:32,960

looking at previous sample return

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00:25:36,710 --> 00:25:34,640

missions there will be samples and we'll

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00:25:38,390 --> 00:25:36,720

be working on them for decades to come

750

00:25:40,230 --> 00:25:38,400

but once there's a definitive end point

751
00:25:41,830 --> 00:25:40,240
for the project and the primary science

752
00:25:43,190 --> 00:25:41,840
objectives

753
00:25:44,870 --> 00:25:43,200
are achieved we'll kind of transition

754
00:25:46,149 --> 00:25:44,880
into a phase where hopefully all the

755
00:25:48,230 --> 00:25:46,159
samples have been

756
00:25:50,070 --> 00:25:48,240
deemed safe and they move to uncontained

757
00:25:51,669 --> 00:25:50,080
curation facilities and it would go

758
00:25:53,830 --> 00:25:51,679
through a kind of a

759
00:25:56,870 --> 00:25:53,840
the same kind of allocation and

760
00:26:01,269 --> 00:25:56,880
ongoing rna as we have for

761
00:26:05,190 --> 00:26:03,269
so this is kind of our our concept of

762
00:26:07,110 --> 00:26:05,200
operations which kind of summarizes um

763
00:26:09,350 --> 00:26:07,120

what i just said here you see the you

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00:26:11,350 --> 00:26:09,360

know the return spacecraft arrives we

765

00:26:13,909 --> 00:26:11,360

have all of the sample dossiers and all

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00:26:15,590 --> 00:26:13,919

of the data collected from mars 2020

767

00:26:17,190 --> 00:26:15,600

and everything in the red box is what

768

00:26:18,789 --> 00:26:17,200

happens inside this bio containment

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00:26:21,350 --> 00:26:18,799

barrier including the spacecraft

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00:26:22,710 --> 00:26:21,360

receiving and de-integration we extract

771

00:26:24,870 --> 00:26:22,720

the sample tubes from the from the

772

00:26:26,630 --> 00:26:24,880

flight hardware we

773

00:26:27,430 --> 00:26:26,640

wipe all the dust off the sample tubes

774

00:26:29,750 --> 00:26:27,440

because we're going to want to do

775

00:26:31,430 --> 00:26:29,760

science on that too we do the pre-basic

776
00:26:32,230 --> 00:26:31,440
characterization so any measurements we

777
00:26:33,990 --> 00:26:32,240
can do

778
00:26:35,350 --> 00:26:34,000
through a sample tube for example ct

779
00:26:37,669 --> 00:26:35,360
scanning

780
00:26:39,029 --> 00:26:37,679
potential bulk magnetic measurements

781
00:26:41,430 --> 00:26:39,039
and then we need to move these samples

782
00:26:43,269 --> 00:26:41,440
into basically pristine isolators with

783
00:26:45,830 --> 00:26:43,279
super high levels of contamination

784
00:26:48,470 --> 00:26:45,840
control where we can extract the head

785
00:26:50,310 --> 00:26:48,480
gas from the tubes open the tubes allow

786
00:26:52,789 --> 00:26:50,320
the basic characterization to be

787
00:26:54,549 --> 00:26:52,799
complete and then you can see that um

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00:26:56,549 --> 00:26:54,559

the arrow pointing down from that green

789

00:26:59,110 --> 00:26:56,559

box is for unsterilized subsamples so

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00:27:00,710 --> 00:26:59,120

there's preliminary examination there's

791

00:27:02,390 --> 00:27:00,720

the sample safety assessment the

792

00:27:05,350 --> 00:27:02,400

sterilization science and the time

793

00:27:06,710 --> 00:27:05,360

sensitive science and we envision that

794

00:27:08,710 --> 00:27:06,720

all of the science measurements that

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00:27:11,269 --> 00:27:08,720

take place there will be competed

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00:27:12,870 --> 00:27:11,279

science investigations uh done by people

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00:27:15,669 --> 00:27:12,880

like yourselves who write proposals to

798

00:27:17,590 --> 00:27:15,679

be on this kind of sample receiving

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00:27:18,789 --> 00:27:17,600

project science team and be the first

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00:27:20,149 --> 00:27:18,799

people to do these measurements so

801
00:27:21,029 --> 00:27:20,159
that's how we envision that that

802
00:27:22,710 --> 00:27:21,039
happening

803
00:27:25,750 --> 00:27:22,720
and of course all of these results go

804
00:27:27,190 --> 00:27:25,760
into you know evolving a sample catalog

805
00:27:28,789 --> 00:27:27,200
that includes you know scientific

806
00:27:31,029 --> 00:27:28,799
publications

807
00:27:32,789 --> 00:27:31,039
all of the safety reports etc

808
00:27:34,870 --> 00:27:32,799
and you know then hopefully we can move

809
00:27:38,630 --> 00:27:34,880
to laboratories outside of containment

810
00:27:40,470 --> 00:27:38,640
and again all of this we hope comes to

811
00:27:42,070 --> 00:27:40,480
the realization of everything that we've

812
00:27:43,669 --> 00:27:42,080
all hoped that we'd be able to achieve

813
00:27:45,830 --> 00:27:43,679

with samples from mars at the end of

814

00:27:51,269 --> 00:27:45,840

this

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00:27:53,269 --> 00:27:51,279

there's been some thinking about how do

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00:27:55,669 --> 00:27:53,279

you optimize a workflow inside a sample

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00:27:57,190 --> 00:27:55,679

receiving facility this is derived from

818

00:27:59,990 --> 00:27:57,200

the msr

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00:28:01,590 --> 00:28:00,000

operational scenarios definition team

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00:28:03,029 --> 00:28:01,600

whose report i believe is available on

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00:28:04,950 --> 00:28:03,039

the mppag website but i'll have to

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00:28:07,110 --> 00:28:04,960

double check that when i get home um

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00:28:08,789 --> 00:28:07,120

this is just kind of a draft of where do

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00:28:10,310 --> 00:28:08,799

you start and where do you go and how do

825

00:28:11,909 --> 00:28:10,320

you open all these layers and what kind

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00:28:13,909 --> 00:28:11,919

of environments do you have to do each

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00:28:16,389 --> 00:28:13,919

step in and what happens in a double

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00:28:18,549 --> 00:28:16,399

walled isolator what potentially happens

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00:28:20,470 --> 00:28:18,559

in a bsl4 suit lab

830

00:28:22,630 --> 00:28:20,480

what instruments can what measurements

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00:28:25,190 --> 00:28:22,640

can be done through a port in an

832

00:28:27,590 --> 00:28:25,200

isolation chamber versus need to be done

833

00:28:30,070 --> 00:28:27,600

out on a bench and optimizing all of

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00:28:31,350 --> 00:28:30,080

that is very much a work in progress and

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00:28:33,110 --> 00:28:31,360

this is the reason we really need to

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00:28:35,110 --> 00:28:33,120

start this planning early we need to

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00:28:36,950 --> 00:28:35,120

know what this sample receiving facility

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00:28:38,630 --> 00:28:36,960

capabilities are going to be and how do

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00:28:41,990 --> 00:28:38,640

we optimize it to make sure we get the

840

00:28:46,470 --> 00:28:44,470

so uh looking ahead a lot of this is

841

00:28:48,549 --> 00:28:46,480

derived from the msr science planning

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00:28:50,549 --> 00:28:48,559

group two reports and work that has

843

00:28:52,230 --> 00:28:50,559

happened subsequent to that so the first

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00:28:55,510 --> 00:28:52,240

thing is to initiate you know a

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00:28:57,669 --> 00:28:55,520

comprehensive msr science program

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00:28:59,909 --> 00:28:57,679

so nasa and esa are are very much

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00:29:01,510 --> 00:28:59,919

collaborating on this so

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00:29:03,190 --> 00:29:01,520

currently they're working on finalizing

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00:29:05,669 --> 00:29:03,200

the documented and signed agreements

850

00:29:07,830 --> 00:29:05,679

between nasa and esa to define the

851
00:29:10,149 --> 00:29:07,840
end-to-end science program including a

852
00:29:12,630 --> 00:29:10,159
science memorandum of understanding an

853
00:29:14,789 --> 00:29:12,640
msr joint science management plan

854
00:29:17,029 --> 00:29:14,799
and importantly to seek the necessary

855
00:29:18,789 --> 00:29:17,039
funding and authority to implement them

856
00:29:20,710 --> 00:29:18,799
so this plan is expected uh to be

857
00:29:21,830 --> 00:29:20,720
finalized in the next in the next couple

858
00:29:23,909 --> 00:29:21,840
months

859
00:29:26,710 --> 00:29:23,919
and then in addition to that um one of

860
00:29:29,909 --> 00:29:26,720
the recommendations of mspg2 was to

861
00:29:31,830 --> 00:29:29,919
establish an msr campaign science group

862
00:29:33,430 --> 00:29:31,840
which is a group of international

863
00:29:36,389 --> 00:29:33,440

scientists

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00:29:38,470 --> 00:29:36,399

who can advise on all of the issues that

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00:29:40,549 --> 00:29:38,480

i talked about previously planning for

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00:29:42,470 --> 00:29:40,559

the sample receiving facility making

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00:29:44,789 --> 00:29:42,480

sure we have the right requirements in

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00:29:47,029 --> 00:29:44,799

terms of contamination control making

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00:29:48,549 --> 00:29:47,039

sure we know what the specifications of

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00:29:50,470 --> 00:29:48,559

the instruments that we need to you know

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00:29:51,669 --> 00:29:50,480

put out proposals for for the srf need

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00:29:53,430 --> 00:29:51,679

to be

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00:29:55,830 --> 00:29:53,440

potentially run a science definition

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00:29:57,830 --> 00:29:55,840

team do a science traceability matrix

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00:29:59,990 --> 00:29:57,840

once we really know what the samples are

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00:30:01,990 --> 00:30:00,000

we expect to be returned

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00:30:03,669 --> 00:30:02,000

so the call for applications for the

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00:30:06,230 --> 00:30:03,679

first phase of that group which will be

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00:30:07,669 --> 00:30:06,240

recomputed every two years was issued i

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00:30:09,110 --> 00:30:07,679

want to say april and we actually

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00:30:11,190 --> 00:30:09,120

expected the selections for that to be

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00:30:13,110 --> 00:30:11,200

announced in the next week or two so

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00:30:14,149 --> 00:30:13,120

that's probably a group of around 15 to

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00:30:16,149 --> 00:30:14,159

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00:30:18,630 --> 00:30:16,159

external and scientists with some

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00:30:21,590 --> 00:30:18,640

ex-officio members who are kind of a um

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00:30:22,950 --> 00:30:21,600

an advisory group to the to the msr

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00:30:24,549 --> 00:30:22,960

projects

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00:30:26,230 --> 00:30:24,559

to make sure that the science community

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00:30:27,909 --> 00:30:26,240

is being represented and the science is

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00:30:30,149 --> 00:30:27,919

being protected

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00:30:32,149 --> 00:30:30,159

um and as i mentioned the next phase in

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00:30:33,750 --> 00:30:32,159

msr after the flight missions is this

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00:30:35,990 --> 00:30:33,760

sample receiving project which is kind

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00:30:37,029 --> 00:30:36,000

of currently in a informal pre-phase a

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00:30:39,029 --> 00:30:37,039

state

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00:30:41,190 --> 00:30:39,039

so we need to formalize the organ

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00:30:43,190 --> 00:30:41,200

organizational structure and funding for

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00:30:46,070 --> 00:30:43,200

that process which will be led by

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00:30:48,870 --> 00:30:46,080

johnson space center on behalf of esa

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00:30:50,789 --> 00:30:48,880
and nasa's mars exploration program

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00:30:54,389 --> 00:30:50,799
this project is expected to proceed to

903
00:30:56,630 --> 00:30:54,399
phase a in fy 23 so we are working to

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00:30:58,630 --> 00:30:56,640
get that underway

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00:31:01,029 --> 00:30:58,640
additionally we really need to make sure

906
00:31:04,230 --> 00:31:01,039
that we have funding for research and

907
00:31:06,710 --> 00:31:04,240
development and rna activities to plan

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00:31:08,870 --> 00:31:06,720
for the analysis of these msr samples so

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00:31:10,789 --> 00:31:08,880
we need to utilize or augment existing

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00:31:13,269 --> 00:31:10,799
funding mechanisms or find new

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00:31:15,190 --> 00:31:13,279
mechanisms to support you know short and

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00:31:16,870 --> 00:31:15,200
medium-term studies

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00:31:18,950 --> 00:31:16,880

required to carry out the msr science

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00:31:21,110 --> 00:31:18,960

program so this would include things

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00:31:23,110 --> 00:31:21,120

like you know an analog program to kind

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00:31:25,590 --> 00:31:23,120

of determine what are acceptable

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00:31:27,590 --> 00:31:25,600

sterilization techniques for a

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00:31:29,029 --> 00:31:27,600

geological sample rather than just a

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00:31:30,870 --> 00:31:29,039

surface because that's something that

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00:31:32,630 --> 00:31:30,880

you know still needs more study making

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00:31:34,710 --> 00:31:32,640

sure that any proposed sterilization

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00:31:37,110 --> 00:31:34,720

technique goes through all of the

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00:31:39,669 --> 00:31:37,120

reviews and processes it needs to be

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00:31:43,269 --> 00:31:39,679

accepted by the regulatory agencies

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00:31:45,830 --> 00:31:43,279

optimizing what kind of measurements

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00:31:47,430 --> 00:31:45,840
can minimize the use of sample mass i

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00:31:49,350 --> 00:31:47,440
mean we have a very limited amount of

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00:31:51,509 --> 00:31:49,360
sample being returned from mars we want

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00:31:53,269 --> 00:31:51,519
to make sure we make the most of it so

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00:31:55,110 --> 00:31:53,279
there's a lot of kind of optimization

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00:31:57,029 --> 00:31:55,120
experiments that need to be done in

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00:31:58,389 --> 00:31:57,039
addition to technical development for

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00:32:00,630 --> 00:31:58,399
things like um

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00:32:02,149 --> 00:32:00,640
isolation chambers that provide bsl for

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00:32:04,070 --> 00:32:02,159
containment but that can be moved from

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00:32:05,029 --> 00:32:04,080
instrument to instrument and potentially

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00:32:07,269 --> 00:32:05,039
even to

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00:32:09,590 --> 00:32:07,279

you know instruments outside of a bsl4

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00:32:11,830 --> 00:32:09,600

facility and making sure that those are

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00:32:14,149 --> 00:32:11,840

at a technology readiness level that's

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00:32:16,389 --> 00:32:14,159

acceptable to regulatory agencies for

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00:32:18,870 --> 00:32:16,399

for pp reasons

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00:32:21,509 --> 00:32:18,880

and then of course to continue to refine

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00:32:22,950 --> 00:32:21,519

the the requirements for the srf um for

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00:32:25,509 --> 00:32:22,960

the sample receiving facility for the

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00:32:27,830 --> 00:32:25,519

environmental conditions the cleanliness

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00:32:28,789 --> 00:32:27,840

and to translate this into a curation

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00:32:30,630 --> 00:32:28,799

plan

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00:32:32,230 --> 00:32:30,640

the overall concept for the facility

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00:32:34,310 --> 00:32:32,240

budget and schedule

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00:32:36,630 --> 00:32:34,320
the the idea hopefully is that we would

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00:32:39,029 --> 00:32:36,640
contin start having a

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00:32:42,389 --> 00:32:39,039
site-specific design for the sample

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00:32:44,070 --> 00:32:42,399
receiving facility in fy 25 to be able

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00:32:47,029 --> 00:32:44,080
to start construction and get this done

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00:32:48,630 --> 00:32:47,039
before the samples arrive

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00:32:49,909 --> 00:32:48,640
so as i mentioned some of the you know

958
00:32:52,470 --> 00:32:49,919
the ongoing activities that are coming

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00:32:54,710 --> 00:32:52,480
up soon again the the finalization of

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00:32:57,669 --> 00:32:54,720
the science management plan um this will

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00:32:59,590 --> 00:32:57,679
you know include content related to the

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00:33:02,070 --> 00:32:59,600
the science and sample management

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00:33:03,830 --> 00:33:02,080

structure uh including identifying all

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00:33:05,430 --> 00:33:03,840

the ways that the science community can

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00:33:07,430 --> 00:33:05,440

be involved in the planning and

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00:33:08,870 --> 00:33:07,440

implementation of msr science because

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00:33:10,870 --> 00:33:08,880

this is this is the whole point this is

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00:33:13,509 --> 00:33:10,880

why we're doing msr is to do this

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00:33:15,590 --> 00:33:13,519

science when the samples come back

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00:33:16,870 --> 00:33:15,600

again how the the science data is going

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00:33:19,430 --> 00:33:16,880

to be handled what are going to be the

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00:33:22,070 --> 00:33:19,440

publication and communication policies

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00:33:24,310 --> 00:33:22,080

and so this is based on kind of five

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00:33:25,990 --> 00:33:24,320

guiding principles

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00:33:27,430 --> 00:33:26,000

which include you know scientific

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00:33:28,950 --> 00:33:27,440
maximization

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00:33:31,029 --> 00:33:28,960
you know accessibility to the

978
00:33:34,710 --> 00:33:31,039
international science community

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00:33:38,230 --> 00:33:37,029
the principle that although the samples

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00:33:40,950 --> 00:33:38,240
may be in different locations at

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00:33:42,710 --> 00:33:40,960
different times um including in the long

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00:33:44,230 --> 00:33:42,720
term some may be in an esa curation

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00:33:46,070 --> 00:33:44,240
facility and some may be in a nasa

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00:33:48,389 --> 00:33:46,080
curation facility but this really needs

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00:33:50,310 --> 00:33:48,399
to be managed as one collection so if

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00:33:51,590 --> 00:33:50,320
someone is you know proposing to do an

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00:33:53,909 --> 00:33:51,600
analysis

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00:33:55,590 --> 00:33:53,919

of an msr sample we're really looking at

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00:33:57,430 --> 00:33:55,600

the whole collection to find the best

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00:33:59,909 --> 00:33:57,440

you know the best piece

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00:34:02,149 --> 00:33:59,919

for that specific analysis

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00:34:04,950 --> 00:34:02,159

and then of course return on investment

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00:34:06,310 --> 00:34:04,960

for the uh the partners who are

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00:34:11,829 --> 00:34:06,320

making the investment and actually

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00:34:14,950 --> 00:34:13,669

i already mentioned the campaign science

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00:34:18,069 --> 00:34:14,960

group so this group is going to be

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00:34:20,310 --> 00:34:18,079

co-chaired by the nasa and esa msr lead

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00:34:23,270 --> 00:34:20,320

scientists those positions currently

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00:34:25,750 --> 00:34:23,280

being held by michael meyer for for nasa

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00:34:27,909 --> 00:34:25,760

and by gerhard kaminik for issa

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00:34:29,750 --> 00:34:27,919
and so this group again will assist

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00:34:31,909 --> 00:34:29,760
these lead scientists in the execution

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00:34:32,950 --> 00:34:31,919
of the science management plan to really

1004
00:34:34,470 --> 00:34:32,960
ensure

1005
00:34:36,069 --> 00:34:34,480
that we're maximizing the science

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00:34:38,149 --> 00:34:36,079
potential of msr

1007
00:34:40,230 --> 00:34:38,159
by establishing the processes for

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00:34:41,589 --> 00:34:40,240
decision making and establishing

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00:34:43,349 --> 00:34:41,599
maintaining the process whereby the

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00:34:45,030 --> 00:34:43,359
science community is involved in return

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00:34:47,510 --> 00:34:45,040
sample science and again this group will

1012
00:34:49,349 --> 00:34:47,520
function in an advisory capacity

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00:34:50,950 --> 00:34:49,359

we actually received about 80

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00:34:52,389 --> 00:34:50,960

applications from the international

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00:34:53,270 --> 00:34:52,399

science community and as i mentioned

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00:34:54,869 --> 00:34:53,280

these

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00:34:57,190 --> 00:34:54,879

selections are expected

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00:35:00,069 --> 00:34:57,200

by june 2022 but hopefully in the next

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00:35:01,430 --> 00:35:00,079

in the next week or so

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00:35:03,510 --> 00:35:01,440

again i mentioned that the sample

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00:35:05,750 --> 00:35:03,520

receiving project would be managed by

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00:35:07,750 --> 00:35:05,760

johnson space center in coordination

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00:35:09,349 --> 00:35:07,760

with esa and with nasa's mars

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00:35:11,670 --> 00:35:09,359

exploration program

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00:35:13,510 --> 00:35:11,680

so the sample receiving project again is

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00:35:15,510 --> 00:35:13,520
meant to encompass all of the non-flight

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00:35:17,270 --> 00:35:15,520
aspects of the campaign beginning once

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00:35:18,790 --> 00:35:17,280
the samples have touched down on earth

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00:35:21,670 --> 00:35:18,800
and ending when the primary science

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00:35:23,190 --> 00:35:21,680
objectives are met so there are draft

1031
00:35:25,270 --> 00:35:23,200
objectives that i've written here for

1032
00:35:27,589 --> 00:35:25,280
this project not finalized until we you

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00:35:28,870 --> 00:35:27,599
know move into a you know a pre-project

1034
00:35:31,109 --> 00:35:28,880
review

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00:35:34,390 --> 00:35:31,119
a lot of it is very similar to the you

1036
00:35:36,230 --> 00:35:34,400
know the objectives for the facility

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00:35:38,150 --> 00:35:36,240
except

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00:35:40,069 --> 00:35:38,160

that we need to you know conduct these

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00:35:41,750 --> 00:35:40,079

these science investigations inside and

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00:35:43,109 --> 00:35:41,760

outside the srf and make sure that

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00:35:45,190 --> 00:35:43,119

there's funding

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00:35:47,349 --> 00:35:45,200

and that this project won't end until

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00:35:49,270 --> 00:35:47,359

those science objectives are met and

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00:35:51,270 --> 00:35:49,280

then to provide and enable long-term

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00:35:53,670 --> 00:35:51,280

curation

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00:35:56,630 --> 00:35:53,680

and i think that's that's the end so i'm

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00:36:12,069 --> 00:35:56,640

happy to take any questions or comments

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00:36:12,079 --> 00:36:19,910

can we turn those on

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00:36:23,910 --> 00:36:20,950

hello

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00:36:26,470 --> 00:36:23,920

can you hear me yeah um hi brandi navida

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00:36:28,150 --> 00:36:26,480
nas tufts university massachusetts i

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00:36:30,790 --> 00:36:28,160
just want to say that was really really

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00:36:31,829 --> 00:36:30,800
uh interesting thank you i had one quick

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00:36:34,630 --> 00:36:31,839
question

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00:36:35,910 --> 00:36:34,640
so when you talked about sterilization

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00:36:38,310 --> 00:36:35,920
of samples

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00:36:39,510 --> 00:36:38,320
if you thought about the i mean you

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00:36:41,430 --> 00:36:39,520
already know but the presence of

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00:36:43,190 --> 00:36:41,440
perchlorate in those samples would they

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00:36:44,950 --> 00:36:43,200
not destroy the things you're looking

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00:36:46,470 --> 00:36:44,960
for yeah so that was one of the factors

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00:36:47,910 --> 00:36:46,480
that was taken into account in terms of

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00:36:49,910 --> 00:36:47,920

looking at what's sterilization

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00:36:51,910 --> 00:36:49,920

sensitive i mean we

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00:36:54,470 --> 00:36:51,920

you said you're from tufts university

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00:36:55,990 --> 00:36:54,480

how can i come talk to you

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00:36:57,430 --> 00:36:56,000

sorry that's that's also where i went to

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00:37:00,310 --> 00:36:57,440

grad school and looking at perchlorate

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00:37:01,990 --> 00:37:00,320

in the samples so uh in the phoenix

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00:37:03,270 --> 00:37:02,000

samples so yeah so that's certainly

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00:37:04,630 --> 00:37:03,280

something that was taken into account

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00:37:06,790 --> 00:37:04,640

and looking at what's sterilization

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00:37:08,550 --> 00:37:06,800

sensitive and also in terms of looking

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00:37:09,990 --> 00:37:08,560

at you know what is

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00:37:11,589 --> 00:37:10,000

sensitive to elevated temperatures over

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00:37:13,589 --> 00:37:11,599

time is is the presence of not only

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00:37:15,510 --> 00:37:13,599

perchlorates but other oxychlorines that

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00:37:18,230 --> 00:37:15,520

may be reactive as well as you know

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00:37:19,430 --> 00:37:18,240

things like oh radicals superoxides

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00:37:21,349 --> 00:37:19,440

because of course those things kind of

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00:37:22,710 --> 00:37:21,359

reduce the temperature at which you're

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00:37:24,550 --> 00:37:22,720

you know worried about

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00:37:25,829 --> 00:37:24,560

the temperature and time at which you're

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00:37:27,829 --> 00:37:25,839

worried about degradation so yeah that

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00:37:30,150 --> 00:37:27,839

was definitely uh taken into account

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00:37:33,510 --> 00:37:30,160

okay thank you

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00:37:35,190 --> 00:37:33,520

hi brandi hey ellie

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00:37:37,109 --> 00:37:35,200

i'm actually wondering about four years

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00:37:39,349 --> 00:37:37,119

before when you're doing your safety

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00:37:41,109 --> 00:37:39,359

assessment of the sample how much sample

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00:37:42,790 --> 00:37:41,119

processing can you actually do during

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00:37:44,550 --> 00:37:42,800

that process for example are we allowed

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00:37:46,950 --> 00:37:44,560

to like flatten the surface for like a

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00:37:48,550 --> 00:37:46,960

non-destructive spectroscopy technique

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00:37:50,790 --> 00:37:48,560

or does it have to be remain completely

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00:37:51,990 --> 00:37:50,800

intact and can't do things like take a

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00:37:54,230 --> 00:37:52,000

slice or things like that because it

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00:37:55,829 --> 00:37:54,240

seems like i'm thinking through various

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00:37:57,430 --> 00:37:55,839

techniques and it seems hard to do that

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00:37:59,430 --> 00:37:57,440

on like a non

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00:38:01,990 --> 00:37:59,440

yeah and surface or things like that

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00:38:04,470 --> 00:38:02,000

it's it's hard to see in this thing here

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00:38:05,750 --> 00:38:04,480

but you know i will refer read to this

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00:38:07,750 --> 00:38:05,760

paper which like i said will hopefully

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00:38:09,510 --> 00:38:07,760

be out in the next week or so but a lot

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00:38:11,510 --> 00:38:09,520

of the identified measurements and

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00:38:13,270 --> 00:38:11,520

analyses are on process samples whether

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00:38:15,109 --> 00:38:13,280

it be you know a powdered sample of

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00:38:17,829 --> 00:38:15,119

which you've done bulk organic

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00:38:19,829 --> 00:38:17,839

extraction or the ability to you know do

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00:38:21,349 --> 00:38:19,839

thin sections or thick sections so those

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00:38:22,950 --> 00:38:21,359

are other you know i maybe should have

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00:38:24,790 --> 00:38:22,960

had a couple slides about the kind of

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00:38:26,630 --> 00:38:24,800

curation and sample processing needs

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00:38:29,270 --> 00:38:26,640

inside the srf because you know some

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00:38:30,790 --> 00:38:29,280

things need a flat surface

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00:38:33,670 --> 00:38:30,800

during the safety protocol we can

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00:38:38,310 --> 00:38:36,230

yeah so again this goes into how do you

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00:38:40,870 --> 00:38:38,320

safely do that does everything can you

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00:38:42,069 --> 00:38:40,880

do you know rock polishing inside an

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00:38:43,910 --> 00:38:42,079

isolator

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00:38:47,030 --> 00:38:43,920

and then you know put it through a port

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00:38:48,310 --> 00:38:47,040

into a small container those are again

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00:38:50,870 --> 00:38:48,320

this is why we need to optimize that

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00:38:52,550 --> 00:38:50,880

workflow but we do want we do anticipate

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00:38:55,829 --> 00:38:52,560

being able to do you know a kind of

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00:38:57,670 --> 00:38:55,839

complex sample processing um even during

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00:39:01,109 --> 00:38:57,680

the sample safety assessment

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00:39:03,670 --> 00:39:01,119

cool thank you thanks

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00:39:05,750 --> 00:39:03,680

hi i'm carlos cruz arsene from nasa

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00:39:07,829 --> 00:39:05,760

garden i was wondering uh for the ride

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00:39:09,430 --> 00:39:07,839

back home from mars to earth

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00:39:12,230 --> 00:39:09,440

will the radiation on the right back

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00:39:13,190 --> 00:39:12,240

foam affect the samples at all

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00:39:15,670 --> 00:39:13,200

you're standing next to a very

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00:39:17,589 --> 00:39:15,680

appropriate person um

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00:39:19,030 --> 00:39:17,599

no so the the kind of radiation

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00:39:21,270 --> 00:39:19,040

environment that's expected during

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00:39:23,109 --> 00:39:21,280

during the transit is actually kind of a

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00:39:24,550 --> 00:39:23,119

very small dosage of radiation compared

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00:39:25,510 --> 00:39:24,560

to what the samples will have already

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00:39:27,030 --> 00:39:25,520

seen

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00:39:28,550 --> 00:39:27,040

on the martian surface over you know

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00:39:31,750 --> 00:39:28,560

millions of years

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00:39:31,760 --> 00:39:35,670

hope

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00:39:40,230 --> 00:39:38,950

hi chad fazoreski from georgia tech so

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00:39:42,150 --> 00:39:40,240

i'm wondering about what sort of

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00:39:43,750 --> 00:39:42,160

technology development is required for

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00:39:46,069 --> 00:39:43,760

manipulation once it gets back on the

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00:39:47,030 --> 00:39:46,079

ground and i imagine there will be

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00:39:48,870 --> 00:39:47,040

um

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00:39:50,950 --> 00:39:48,880

when it comes to uncasing uh the device

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00:39:52,870 --> 00:39:50,960

that'll be specific technologies

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00:39:55,670 --> 00:39:52,880

that will be designed when the device

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00:39:56,630 --> 00:39:55,680

itself is but also for manipulation of

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00:39:59,990 --> 00:39:56,640

uh

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00:40:02,390 --> 00:40:00,000

of the samples at small scales and um

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00:40:03,990 --> 00:40:02,400

uh you know for for the requirements

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00:40:07,910 --> 00:40:04,000

that i guess are very unique to these

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00:40:10,230 --> 00:40:07,920

samples so are there any plans for

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00:40:14,790 --> 00:40:10,240

uh funding uh technology development

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00:40:16,630 --> 00:40:14,800

opportunities uh specifically for that

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00:40:18,069 --> 00:40:16,640

yes yes there are so this is something

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00:40:19,349 --> 00:40:18,079

that you know you know johnson space

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00:40:22,309 --> 00:40:19,359

center has been working into their you

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00:40:24,470 --> 00:40:22,319

know long-term kind of technology r d

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00:40:27,030 --> 00:40:24,480

program for the srf is yeah what can be

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00:40:28,790 --> 00:40:27,040

done potentially remotely with micro

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00:40:30,630 --> 00:40:28,800

manipulators um

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00:40:32,470 --> 00:40:30,640

and even for for opening the spacecraft

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00:40:34,150 --> 00:40:32,480

we started talking about well what if

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00:40:36,470 --> 00:40:34,160

you needed to take apart this the

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hardware inside an isolator robotically

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00:40:39,990 --> 00:40:38,319

and so there's you know been a drive to

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00:40:41,589 --> 00:40:40,000

simplify that process there's a lot of

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pieces which

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00:40:43,990 --> 00:40:42,960

we can take apart with a screwdriver

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00:40:45,510 --> 00:40:44,000

which you know that kind of thing is

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00:40:46,790 --> 00:40:45,520

easy but then of course there's you know

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00:40:48,550 --> 00:40:46,800

things that are

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00:40:50,470 --> 00:40:48,560

hermetically sealed and need a little

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00:40:52,790 --> 00:40:50,480

bit more um and then how do you do that

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00:40:55,670 --> 00:40:52,800

without introducing contamination

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00:40:57,910 --> 00:40:55,680

if you have you know lubricated motors

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00:41:00,069 --> 00:40:57,920

or you know micro manipulators so that

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that is a long-term you know technology

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00:41:05,430 --> 00:41:01,920

development thing that needs to be done

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00:41:08,870 --> 00:41:07,270

the cost-benefit analysis of doing

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00:41:11,670 --> 00:41:08,880

things remotely versus having everyone

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00:41:13,750 --> 00:41:11,680

in a suit all the time um so yeah that

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is a long-term thing and i do anticipate

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there being

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00:41:17,829 --> 00:41:16,079

um

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00:41:19,270 --> 00:41:17,839

opportunities to to do those kind of

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tech development projects and to

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optimize that kind of thing right yeah

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00:41:27,910 --> 00:41:24,079

just briefly has have any uh objectives

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00:41:29,829 --> 00:41:27,920

for uh timelines for that been set

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00:41:31,030 --> 00:41:29,839

no

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00:41:32,630 --> 00:41:31,040

stay tuned

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00:41:33,670 --> 00:41:32,640
like i said we're working on getting

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00:41:34,950 --> 00:41:33,680
this um

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00:41:36,470 --> 00:41:34,960
you know this campaign science group

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00:41:39,510 --> 00:41:36,480
together and we anticipate that that

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00:41:42,069 --> 00:41:39,520
group is going to suggest a a technology

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00:41:43,829 --> 00:41:42,079
an r d roadmap um and to try to

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00:41:46,150 --> 00:41:43,839
prioritize which things need to be known

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00:41:47,750 --> 00:41:46,160
earlier versus later and and how best to

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00:41:49,109 --> 00:41:47,760
allocate funding for those things so

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00:41:50,470 --> 00:41:49,119
that if there are things like you

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00:41:52,550 --> 00:41:50,480
mentioned that are kind of needed to

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00:41:54,069 --> 00:41:52,560
plan you know how to design a sample

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00:41:55,670 --> 00:41:54,079

receiving facility you know those may

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00:41:57,670 --> 00:41:55,680

need to be done earlier versus some of

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00:42:00,069 --> 00:41:57,680

the analog experiments but that's still

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00:42:01,990 --> 00:42:00,079

very much kind of tbd okay thank you

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00:42:04,630 --> 00:42:02,000

very much

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00:42:06,230 --> 00:42:04,640

hey brandi uh aaron rigberg nasa johnson

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00:42:07,589 --> 00:42:06,240

i wonder if you could talk a little bit

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00:42:10,390 --> 00:42:07,599

about what

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00:42:11,910 --> 00:42:10,400

nasa needs from the scientific community

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00:42:13,589 --> 00:42:11,920

in terms of

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00:42:16,790 --> 00:42:13,599

science communication

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00:42:20,069 --> 00:42:16,800

about this mission uh so that we

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00:42:23,670 --> 00:42:20,079

avoid you know fears about

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00:42:24,630 --> 00:42:23,680
mars cobid or andromeda strain style

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00:42:26,630 --> 00:42:24,640
like

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00:42:28,309 --> 00:42:26,640
i i mean i think everybody in here is

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00:42:30,150 --> 00:42:28,319
excited about bringing wire samples back

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00:42:32,309 --> 00:42:30,160
but there are people that are going to

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00:42:34,309 --> 00:42:32,319
be worried about this yeah so that

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00:42:35,510 --> 00:42:34,319
that's that's a really good point so i i

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00:42:43,030 --> 00:42:35,520
think that

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00:42:44,309 --> 00:42:43,040
you're asked a question about msr and

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00:42:46,230 --> 00:42:44,319
particularly in terms of you know

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00:42:48,950 --> 00:42:46,240
biosafety i think you know i think the

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00:42:51,030 --> 00:42:48,960
idea is that we do not expect there to

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00:42:53,270 --> 00:42:51,040

be extent life in the near surface of

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00:42:54,309 --> 00:42:53,280

mars for for many reasons which most of

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00:42:56,309 --> 00:42:54,319

you in this room are probably familiar

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00:42:59,190 --> 00:42:56,319

with this is basically being done out of

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00:43:01,430 --> 00:42:59,200

an abundance of caution and to really

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00:43:03,030 --> 00:43:01,440

ensure because we have to go by you know

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00:43:04,870 --> 00:43:03,040

the coast bar planetary protection

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00:43:06,470 --> 00:43:04,880

policies to really make sure that

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00:43:09,349 --> 00:43:06,480

there's no chance that we're going to

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00:43:11,190 --> 00:43:09,359

contaminate earth's biosphere

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00:43:13,030 --> 00:43:11,200

and i think that's the key point and you

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00:43:15,750 --> 00:43:13,040

know potentially you know attending you

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00:43:17,829 --> 00:43:15,760

know nepa public hearings and you know

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00:43:20,550 --> 00:43:17,839
if you're asked for a statement on msr

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00:43:22,470 --> 00:43:20,560
you know make sure that yes

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00:43:25,270 --> 00:43:22,480
i'm going to be careful what i say here

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00:43:30,550 --> 00:43:27,430
no but you know like wouldn't it be cool

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00:43:32,150 --> 00:43:30,560
if there was life in the samples but

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00:43:34,150 --> 00:43:32,160
but i mean i think we all think that

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00:43:36,309 --> 00:43:34,160
that's really really highly unlikely and

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00:43:38,309 --> 00:43:36,319
this is really a risk mitigation

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00:43:41,990 --> 00:43:38,319
and public perception problem more than

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00:43:45,589 --> 00:43:43,910
oh sure i was i was just going to

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00:43:47,910 --> 00:43:45,599
address the previous question yeah

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00:43:50,309 --> 00:43:47,920
please do hopefully as well um

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00:43:51,510 --> 00:43:50,319

mini wagwa arizona state

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00:43:53,270 --> 00:43:51,520

um

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00:43:54,470 --> 00:43:53,280

that's an important point that brandy

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00:43:57,030 --> 00:43:54,480

just brought up that you know i think

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the likelihood of finding extent light

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we believe it's going to be very very

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00:44:02,870 --> 00:44:00,319

low

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00:44:03,670 --> 00:44:02,880

the other thing to also point out is

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00:44:06,230 --> 00:44:03,680

that

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we have been

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earth has been impacted by martian

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materials over geologic time for

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00:44:16,550 --> 00:44:13,760

you know we've got a lot of that

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00:44:18,470 --> 00:44:16,560

material around and many of those rocks

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00:44:19,670 --> 00:44:18,480

presumably came from

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00:44:22,150 --> 00:44:19,680

um

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00:44:23,190 --> 00:44:22,160

deep deeper portions of mars than what

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we're going to be sampling on the

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00:44:25,829 --> 00:44:24,240

surface

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00:44:29,190 --> 00:44:25,839

and you know

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00:44:30,710 --> 00:44:29,200

that's not been a catastrophic event for

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00:44:32,550 --> 00:44:30,720

for earth and so i think that that's

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00:44:34,230 --> 00:44:32,560

another important point to to

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00:44:35,910 --> 00:44:34,240

communicate as when you're able to do

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00:44:37,510 --> 00:44:35,920

that yeah that's a key point that you

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00:44:39,589 --> 00:44:37,520

know none of the martian meteorites that

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00:44:41,670 --> 00:44:39,599

we know have impacted earth have caused

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00:44:46,630 --> 00:44:41,680

any problems um i can't see online

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00:44:46,640 --> 00:44:54,550

okay

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00:44:58,390 --> 00:44:56,309

yeah dave that's certainly the intent

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00:45:01,190 --> 00:44:58,400

that we would want to capture the gas

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00:45:02,550 --> 00:45:01,200

behind any kind of inequality you know

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00:45:04,870 --> 00:45:02,560

seal

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00:45:06,230 --> 00:45:04,880

which may um include the the secondary

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00:45:08,790 --> 00:45:06,240

containment vessel and the primary

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00:45:11,109 --> 00:45:08,800

containment vessel um we expect that the

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the orbiting sample container itself is

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00:45:15,510 --> 00:45:13,760

vented um but there may be gas we can

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00:45:16,870 --> 00:45:15,520
capture from behind the the primary

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00:45:18,710 --> 00:45:16,880
containment vessel

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00:45:22,069 --> 00:45:18,720
which will be sealed you know in mars

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00:45:23,430 --> 00:45:22,079
orbit um but we think the

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00:45:24,390 --> 00:45:23,440
the highest you know amount of gas we're

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00:45:26,069 --> 00:45:24,400
going to get is from those that from

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00:45:28,309 --> 00:45:26,079
inside the sample tubes so that includes

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00:45:30,309 --> 00:45:28,319
both the headspace gas and you know

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00:45:32,309 --> 00:45:30,319
atmospheric sample tubes or basically

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00:45:34,550 --> 00:45:32,319
sample tubes that mars 2020 has sealed

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00:45:38,390 --> 00:45:34,560
while empty to kind of uh deliver

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00:45:43,750 --> 00:45:40,550
hi annalise meyer mit what's

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00:45:44,950 --> 00:45:43,760

oceanographic um i was wondering for

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00:45:47,190 --> 00:45:44,960

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00:45:50,390 --> 00:45:47,200

should samples be deemed unsafe to

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00:45:51,829 --> 00:45:50,400

release and sterilization sensitive

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00:45:53,190 --> 00:45:51,839

uh science

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00:45:55,589 --> 00:45:53,200

um

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00:45:57,910 --> 00:45:55,599

should should labs looking to perform

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00:46:00,390 --> 00:45:57,920

sterilization sensitive science

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00:46:02,550 --> 00:46:00,400

count on being able to work within the

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00:46:05,270 --> 00:46:02,560

srp or is that going to be limited to

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00:46:06,710 --> 00:46:05,280

nasa affiliates and especially um

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00:46:07,750 --> 00:46:06,720

involving the international science

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00:46:09,430 --> 00:46:07,760

community because i know you mentioned

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00:46:10,550 --> 00:46:09,440
the security concerns yeah so like i

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00:46:12,230 --> 00:46:10,560
said one of the you know one of our

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00:46:14,550 --> 00:46:12,240
guiding principles here is is

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00:46:17,109 --> 00:46:14,560
accessibility to the sample so even for

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00:46:19,109 --> 00:46:17,119
completed investigations inside the srf

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00:46:20,710 --> 00:46:19,119
you know those would need to be open to

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00:46:21,750 --> 00:46:20,720
the international you know science

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00:46:24,790 --> 00:46:21,760
community

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00:46:26,630 --> 00:46:24,800
the mspg2 sterilization sensitive

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00:46:27,670 --> 00:46:26,640
study identified

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00:46:28,870 --> 00:46:27,680
a number of instruments and

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00:46:30,710 --> 00:46:28,880
investigations that they think would

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00:46:31,829 --> 00:46:30,720

need to be present inside the srf and

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00:46:34,069 --> 00:46:31,839

you know we expect most of the

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00:46:35,670 --> 00:46:34,079

opportunities to do those to be competed

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00:46:37,109 --> 00:46:35,680

but they did identify some things that

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00:46:39,030 --> 00:46:37,119

you know aren't time sensitive and

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00:46:41,589 --> 00:46:39,040

perhaps aren't necessary for the sample

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00:46:43,589 --> 00:46:41,599

safety assessment and so we can kind of

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00:46:45,750 --> 00:46:43,599

hope that we get unsterilized samples

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00:46:48,630 --> 00:46:45,760

out later but if we don't you can see

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this kind of um red box on the lower

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00:46:52,230 --> 00:46:50,319

right hand corner where we would need to

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00:46:54,470 --> 00:46:52,240

add contingency capability so that may

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00:46:56,470 --> 00:46:54,480

not be inside the original srf it may be

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a new modular building

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that can be um

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that can add additional capabilities if

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00:47:03,670 --> 00:47:02,079

we find more things and but yeah i do

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00:47:05,670 --> 00:47:03,680

expect that all of those kind of science

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investigation opportunities would be

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open you know to our international you

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know partners and would go through a

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competition process that that's fair

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hey brandi andrew gangadeen granberg

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institute of science first of all that

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00:47:23,670 --> 00:47:21,280

was very well communicated so thank you

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00:47:25,910 --> 00:47:23,680

i'm wondering so when these are being

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00:47:27,109 --> 00:47:25,920

sent out or considered for analyses you

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00:47:28,710 --> 00:47:27,119

know there's seemingly an infinite

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number of analyses you can do on these

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00:47:33,589 --> 00:47:31,200

samples but um some of them might be

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00:47:35,190 --> 00:47:33,599

prohibitive of future analyses so for

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00:47:36,470 --> 00:47:35,200

instance if you

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00:47:37,829 --> 00:47:36,480

made thin sections of the sample is

1371

00:47:39,910 --> 00:47:37,839

great but then if you send it off to

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00:47:41,270 --> 00:47:39,920

someone to do raman spectroscopy it

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00:47:42,950 --> 00:47:41,280

might make a little divot in the sample

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00:47:45,270 --> 00:47:42,960

that prevents you know effective sims

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00:47:47,910 --> 00:47:45,280

analyses next so is there a you know

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00:47:49,510 --> 00:47:47,920

planned list of desired an analytical

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00:47:50,470 --> 00:47:49,520

order for these samples that's being

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developed

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00:47:53,510 --> 00:47:51,920

yeah and that's so that's a little bit

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00:47:55,030 --> 00:47:53,520

of part of the sample you know workflow

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00:47:56,390 --> 00:47:55,040

planning but i think one of the other

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00:47:57,990 --> 00:47:56,400

things that you know might be really

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beneficial is you know when the

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proposals are being written to do these

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analyses particularly for things where

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00:48:05,349 --> 00:48:03,040

samples would be sent out is you know

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00:48:07,270 --> 00:48:05,359

for consortia you know studies that

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00:48:09,349 --> 00:48:07,280

propose a sequence of analyses that

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00:48:11,190 --> 00:48:09,359

could be done on on one sample to kind

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00:48:13,430 --> 00:48:11,200

of maximize the use on this sample i

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00:48:15,270 --> 00:48:13,440

mean as you may or may not know you know

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00:48:17,829 --> 00:48:15,280

once a sample is kind of released from

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00:48:19,829 --> 00:48:17,839

you know the custody of curation you

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00:48:21,349 --> 00:48:19,839

know you don't really know what happened

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00:48:22,390 --> 00:48:21,359

to it or what kind of contamination it

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00:48:24,230 --> 00:48:22,400

went through so it's always going to be

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00:48:26,790 --> 00:48:24,240

considered you know obviously a

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00:48:27,910 --> 00:48:26,800

non-pristine you know kind of less

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anything you find in that sample

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00:48:30,710 --> 00:48:29,040

subsequently you're probably going to

1401

00:48:32,790 --> 00:48:30,720

assume is some kind of contamination

1402

00:48:35,589 --> 00:48:32,800

because you haven't been watching that

1403

00:48:37,270 --> 00:48:35,599

sample the entire time um so yeah i

1404

00:48:38,870 --> 00:48:37,280

think in terms of maximizing sample mass

1405

00:48:40,710 --> 00:48:38,880

you want to look at you know the

1406

00:48:42,870 --> 00:48:40,720

sequencing the thing so that you start

1407

00:48:44,150 --> 00:48:42,880

with the least destructive analyses and

1408

00:48:46,309 --> 00:48:44,160

then you progress

1409

00:48:48,870 --> 00:48:46,319

to more and more destructive yeah

1410

00:48:50,390 --> 00:48:48,880

thanks

1411

00:48:52,630 --> 00:48:50,400

this is back to the

1412

00:48:54,549 --> 00:48:52,640

question about the hair space of gas in

1413

00:48:57,190 --> 00:48:54,559

the hair space it might be worth to have

1414

00:49:00,549 --> 00:48:57,200

a procedure when you remove it prior to

1415

00:49:03,030 --> 00:49:00,559

sterilization of the sample because

1416

00:49:05,510 --> 00:49:03,040

if there is like co2 in that tube

1417

00:49:07,349 --> 00:49:05,520

with a sample and blasted with gamma

1418

00:49:10,950 --> 00:49:07,359

the rate of degradation can increase

1419

00:49:11,910 --> 00:49:10,960

significantly so i appear yes yeah so

1420

00:49:17,670 --> 00:49:11,920

yeah

1421

00:49:19,510 --> 00:49:17,680

um you would puncture that you know hook

1422

00:49:20,790 --> 00:49:19,520

well and again this is very preliminary

1423

00:49:22,150 --> 00:49:20,800

stuff right but that you would hook the

1424

00:49:24,069 --> 00:49:22,160

sample tube up to some kind of gas

1425

00:49:26,230 --> 00:49:24,079

manifold to puncture the tube and

1426

00:49:28,630 --> 00:49:26,240

extract the headspace gas before you

1427

00:49:30,790 --> 00:49:28,640

extract the solid sample and then you

1428

00:49:31,990 --> 00:49:30,800

would hold that gas and then you could

1429

00:49:34,069 --> 00:49:32,000

do things that are sterilization

1430

00:49:36,069 --> 00:49:34,079

sensitive on that gas potentially even

1431

00:49:38,710 --> 00:49:36,079

then sterilize subsamples of gas to go

1432

00:49:40,150 --> 00:49:38,720

to you know stable isotope laboratories

1433

00:49:41,670 --> 00:49:40,160

and things like that but you would

1434

00:49:43,510 --> 00:49:41,680

definitely want to open the sample tubes

1435

00:49:47,349 --> 00:49:43,520

and extract that gas before you

1436

00:49:51,030 --> 00:49:49,270

hi there i'm tristan caro from cu

1437

00:49:52,710 --> 00:49:51,040

boulder um these are really exciting

1438

00:49:54,630 --> 00:49:52,720

developments and i am excited for the

1439

00:49:56,309 --> 00:49:54,640

publications that are coming down the

1440

00:49:58,069 --> 00:49:56,319

road i'm curious though if you could

1441

00:49:59,990 --> 00:49:58,079

elaborate on the sort of quantitative

1442

00:50:02,630 --> 00:50:00,000

thresholding that you're thinking of

1443

00:50:04,630 --> 00:50:02,640

using for the uh

1444

00:50:05,990 --> 00:50:04,640

the whole flow chart that you showed and

1445

00:50:07,510 --> 00:50:06,000

specifically like

1446

00:50:10,710 --> 00:50:07,520

what sort of

1447

00:50:12,549 --> 00:50:10,720

biomarkers are being considered for like

1448

00:50:14,470 --> 00:50:12,559

that that's sort of i think you use

1449

00:50:15,910 --> 00:50:14,480

bayesian thresholding or you mentioned

1450

00:50:17,910 --> 00:50:15,920

that a little bit you mean like for the

1451
00:50:19,349 --> 00:50:17,920
sample safety assessment exactly yeah

1452
00:50:21,670 --> 00:50:19,359
i'm gonna i'm gonna defer that question

1453
00:50:23,510 --> 00:50:21,680
until the report comes out but i i will

1454
00:50:25,510 --> 00:50:23,520
say that um and i believe that there is

1455
00:50:27,589 --> 00:50:25,520
a notional uh number here on this chart

1456
00:50:29,670 --> 00:50:27,599
so this is for example 1 times 10 to the

1457
00:50:31,109 --> 00:50:29,680
minus 6. so this is kind of the number

1458
00:50:33,270 --> 00:50:31,119
that the flight missions have been using

1459
00:50:34,790 --> 00:50:33,280
is they need to they want to assure that

1460
00:50:36,549 --> 00:50:34,800
they have less than a one in a million

1461
00:50:39,190 --> 00:50:36,559
chance of releasing

1462
00:50:40,790 --> 00:50:39,200
a single unsterilized martian particle

1463
00:50:42,870 --> 00:50:40,800

into the martian biosphere so i think

1464

00:50:44,069 --> 00:50:42,880

that's like a a reasonable kind of uh

1465

00:50:45,589 --> 00:50:44,079

starting point as you want to make sure

1466

00:50:48,230 --> 00:50:45,599

it's you know less than a one in a

1467

00:50:50,549 --> 00:50:48,240

million chance um but again i and feel

1468

00:50:51,829 --> 00:50:50,559

free to follow up with me um about that

1469

00:50:53,670 --> 00:50:51,839

and i can i can send you the report once

1470

00:50:55,670 --> 00:50:53,680

it's finalized we had a little

1471

00:50:56,950 --> 00:50:55,680

publishing uh snafu that's held it up

1472

00:50:58,870 --> 00:50:56,960

but we do expect the paper to be

1473

00:51:02,069 --> 00:50:58,880

available in in the next week or so

1474

00:51:06,470 --> 00:51:04,309

yeah thank you for your talk this made

1475

00:51:09,430 --> 00:51:06,480

it really uh put everything all in one

1476

00:51:12,230 --> 00:51:09,440

place which i find helpful um i'm donnie

1477

00:51:15,270 --> 00:51:12,240

blazer from asu uh i had a question

1478

00:51:16,309 --> 00:51:15,280

about um absorbed or mineral hosted

1479

00:51:17,829 --> 00:51:16,319

water

1480

00:51:21,109 --> 00:51:17,839

if that was going to be a part of the

1481

00:51:22,390 --> 00:51:21,119

gas phase analysis in in in the workflow

1482

00:51:24,230 --> 00:51:22,400

or or

1483

00:51:26,549 --> 00:51:24,240

do we have plans for that

1484

00:51:29,750 --> 00:51:26,559

yes i i i would say that the answer to

1485

00:51:31,109 --> 00:51:29,760

that is yes so we have a kind of um

1486

00:51:33,270 --> 00:51:31,119

and again i'll point you to the the

1487

00:51:34,790 --> 00:51:33,280

mosp2 reports both the sterilization

1488

00:51:36,790 --> 00:51:34,800

sensitive report and the time-sensitive

1489

00:51:37,750 --> 00:51:36,800

report and if anybody actually needs me

1490

00:51:41,430 --> 00:51:37,760

to

1491

00:51:43,109 --> 00:51:41,440

please come see me afterwards and i can

1492

00:51:44,710 --> 00:51:43,119

do that um

1493

00:51:46,390 --> 00:51:44,720

where there is a list of you know

1494

00:51:48,549 --> 00:51:46,400

potential things you would want to

1495

00:51:50,470 --> 00:51:48,559

measure both in the gas and in the solid

1496

00:51:52,710 --> 00:51:50,480

samples of course you know the

1497

00:51:54,470 --> 00:51:52,720

the specific um

1498

00:51:57,910 --> 00:51:54,480

methods to do those measurements and

1499

00:52:01,190 --> 00:51:57,920

stuff are still to be defined but yes

1500

00:52:04,069 --> 00:52:02,710

hi there uh

1501
00:52:06,790 --> 00:52:04,079
haley literal from university of

1502
00:52:08,390 --> 00:52:06,800
arkansas i was just wondering um

1503
00:52:10,230 --> 00:52:08,400
after you've analyzed the samples for

1504
00:52:12,470 --> 00:52:10,240
carbon-based life forms do you have a

1505
00:52:14,390 --> 00:52:12,480
strategy for analyzing those samples for

1506
00:52:15,910 --> 00:52:14,400
non-carbon-based life forms and what is

1507
00:52:17,270 --> 00:52:15,920
the protocol for that

1508
00:52:18,950 --> 00:52:17,280
yeah again i'm gonna i'm gonna i'm gonna

1509
00:52:20,549 --> 00:52:18,960
point you to the report and actually i'm

1510
00:52:22,630 --> 00:52:20,559
not actually a co-author on this one so

1511
00:52:25,190 --> 00:52:22,640
i'm gonna point you to the report but

1512
00:52:27,349 --> 00:52:25,200
there is a section where you can see

1513
00:52:29,030 --> 00:52:27,359

so basically everything that's based on

1514

00:52:30,950 --> 00:52:29,040

carbon and life as we know it is up to

1515

00:52:32,390 --> 00:52:30,960

this uh step seven but then there is a

1516

00:52:35,030 --> 00:52:32,400

there is a step eight here and there's a

1517

00:52:36,790 --> 00:52:35,040

little bit more uh information in the

1518

00:52:38,710 --> 00:52:36,800

sample safety assessment framework

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00:52:40,790 --> 00:52:38,720

report once it comes out about how how

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00:52:43,109 --> 00:52:40,800

they envision looking for you know life

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00:52:45,349 --> 00:52:43,119

that's not as we know it basically more

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00:52:48,309 --> 00:52:45,359

agnostic life detection uh techniques

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00:52:48,319 --> 00:52:53,190

all right is there anything else online

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00:52:57,109 --> 00:52:55,270

okay well i guess