

A photograph of Pablo Abad-Manterola, a graduate student at Caltech. He is standing on a balcony with a white railing, looking towards the camera. In the background, there is a large blue telescope mounted on a structure. The scene is outdoors with trees and a clear blue sky.

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00:00:09,470 --> 00:00:07,789
we have the axial Rover this is a new

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00:00:11,629 --> 00:00:09,480
over concept that we've been studying

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00:00:14,839 --> 00:00:11,639
and collaboration with Caltech to try to

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00:00:16,550 --> 00:00:14,849
provide mobility for very challenging

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00:00:18,320 --> 00:00:16,560
high-risk strains the best way to think

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00:00:19,670 --> 00:00:18,330
about this Rovers think of a yo-yo by

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00:00:21,560 --> 00:00:19,680
reading on in reading its own tether

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00:00:24,200 --> 00:00:21,570
that it carries with it it's able to

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00:00:25,970 --> 00:00:24,210
lower itself over any type of terrains

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00:00:27,410 --> 00:00:25,980
actually in fact it doesn't need any

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00:00:29,029 --> 00:00:27,420
terrain this can be lowered from a

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00:00:30,439 --> 00:00:29,039
balloon that presents a lot of unique

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00:00:31,490 --> 00:00:30,449

and interesting challenges that no one's

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00:00:32,870 --> 00:00:31,500

really ever thought of before in terms

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00:00:34,729 --> 00:00:32,880

of the type of tether to use the

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00:00:36,650 --> 00:00:34,739

material how to like reduce abrasions

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00:00:38,330 --> 00:00:36,660

and how to get over rocks without

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00:00:39,530 --> 00:00:38,340

getting the tether tangled this robot

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00:00:40,940 --> 00:00:39,540

has met and exceeded all of my

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00:00:43,760 --> 00:00:40,950

expectations this in terms of the way

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00:00:45,830 --> 00:00:43,770

that it performs going down 93 slopes

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00:00:47,270 --> 00:00:45,840

traversing to flat ground and getting

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00:00:49,639 --> 00:00:47,280

over rocks and all that kind of stuff

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00:00:51,560 --> 00:00:49,649

it's been great right now it's really

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00:00:52,819 --> 00:00:51,570

risky for astronauts or robots for

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00:00:54,439 --> 00:00:52,829

example like the spirit an opportunity

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00:00:56,569 --> 00:00:54,449

to go into craters the ground is too

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00:00:57,860 --> 00:00:56,579

loose and the slopes are too steep so

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00:00:58,849 --> 00:00:57,870

it's too risky for those robots to get

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00:01:00,920 --> 00:00:58,859

into those craters and perform any

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00:01:02,029 --> 00:01:00,930

interesting science so this robot would

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00:01:03,380 --> 00:01:02,039

be very useful for those types of

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00:01:05,030 --> 00:01:03,390

scenarios where you can really dive into

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00:01:06,440 --> 00:01:05,040

those craters pick up some samples and

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00:01:07,310 --> 00:01:06,450

really analyze them and tell us