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Welcome.

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This is the International Space Station flight control room at the Johnson Space Center in

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00:00:06,920 --> 00:00:11,970
Houston, with the Expedition 29 update for Thursday, October 27.

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Flight director Jerry Jason is leading today's Orbit 2 flight controllers, and serving as

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spacecraft communicator, or Capcom is Christie Bertels.

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Expedition 29 crew members Commander Mike Fossum and Flight Engineers Satoshi Furukawa

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with the Japanese space agency and Russian cosmonaut Sergei Volkov are completing the

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testing of the Russian segment's Kurs automated rendezvous system, and will close the hatch

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today on the Progress 42 vehicle in preparation for its undocking on Saturday.

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That undocking is planned for 4:04 a.m. central time.

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The departure of Progress 42 sets the stage for the arrival of Progress 45, which will

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launch at 5:11 a.m. central time Sunday, 4:11 p.m. Baikonur time.

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Docking to the Pirs docking compartment is scheduled on Wednesday, November 2 at 6:40

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a.m. central time.

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Progress 45 supply ship is filled with food, supplies and fuel for the station.

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On tap for the crew today there are additional biomedical experiments, and continuing maintenance

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work for the water on/off valve in the Columbus module.

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The crew is also holding a conference with the European Space Agency to debrief the water

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on/off valve encapsulation activity.

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More valves will be encapsulated in the coming months and ESA is taking this opportunity

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to fine tune those procedures.

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Fossum today will perform the final VO₂max and biorhythm runs for this expedition.

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VO₂max is the evaluation of maximal oxygen uptake and submaximal estimates of VO₂max

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before, during and after long duration International Space Station missions.

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This documents the maximum oxygen uptake of crew members onboard the space station during

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these long duration missions.

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It's sometimes referred to as the VO₂ peak, and is a standard measure of aerobic capacity

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and is directly related to the working physical capacity of an individual.

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VO₂Max is related to the ability of an astronaut to perform an egress task; that means the

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task required to leave the station while wearing a launch and escape spacesuit.

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The study is important because decrease VO₂Max may represent a safety concern in the event

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of an emergency during spaceflight.

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The principal investigator for this experiment is doctor Alan Moore at the Johnson Space

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Center's human research program.

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And how does this study apply on Earth?

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Well the data obtained provides valuable insight into the aerobic capacity of teams in closed

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environments, such as Arctic bases and submarines.

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Satoshi Furukawa is also closing out his nutritional repository experiment with a final 24-hour

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urine collection.

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The nutritional assessment or nutrition experiment is designed to understand the changes in human

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physiology during long duration spaceflights, and it measures the bone metabolism, oxidative

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damage and chemistry and hormonal changes as well as the assessment of nutritional status

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of the crew members.

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The results not only have impact on the nutritional requirements and developments of food systems

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for future exploration missions but also has influenced osteoporosis studies here on Earth.

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Dr. Scott Smith at the Johnson Space Center human research program is the lead investigator

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along with Purdue, Tufts and Indiana University and the University of Bonn in Germany are

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also participating in this study.

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Part of that experiment is the repository portion and those specimens are collected

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and then brought back to Earth and kept at NASA's biological specimens repository.

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That repository collects and stores and distributes samples to future investigators once they

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do continued life science investigations.

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In other news here at NASA, the NASA TV will

broadcast a Tweetup at 11 a.m. central time

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out of Vandenberg California and the Kennedy
Space Center.

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This is all in advance of tomorrow's launch
of the Delta 2 rocket and the NPP satellite.

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The NPP satellite is the National Polar Orbiting
Operational Environmental Satellite System

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Preparatory Project and is the first mission
designed to collect critical data to improve

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weather forecasts in the short term and increase
understanding of long term climate changes.

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NPP continues the observation of Earth from
space that NASA has pioneered for more than

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40 years.

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NASA TV coverage of that NPP launch tomorrow
begins at 2 a.m. central time.

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Launch is scheduled for 4:48 p.m., excuse
me, a.m. central time at the start of a 9-minute

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launch window.

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For more information on the space station,
on Expedition 29 and 30, be sure to look up

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