



**SPACESTATION
LIVE**

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00:00:09,430 --> 00:00:07,829
the one year mission uh currently going

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00:00:11,509 --> 00:00:09,440
on the international space station right

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00:00:14,070 --> 00:00:11,519
now with scott kelly and mikhail

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00:00:16,070 --> 00:00:14,080
kornienko is coming to a close in just

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00:00:18,470 --> 00:00:16,080
about a week but that doesn't mean that

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00:00:20,790 --> 00:00:18,480
the one-year mission is over there's

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00:00:22,950 --> 00:00:20,800
plenty of work to do here on the ground

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00:00:25,349 --> 00:00:22,960
to continue to monitor these experiments

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00:00:27,269 --> 00:00:25,359
and with us today we have dr john

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00:00:29,109 --> 00:00:27,279
charles the chief scientist of the human

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00:00:30,790 --> 00:00:29,119
research program here to talk more about

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00:00:32,630 --> 00:00:30,800
the one-year mission dr charles thanks

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00:00:35,110 --> 00:00:32,640

for being with us today

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00:00:37,270 --> 00:00:35,120

so let's talk a little bit about um what

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00:00:38,790 --> 00:00:37,280

we were expecting uh from this

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00:00:41,110 --> 00:00:38,800

experiment from a one-year mission is

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00:00:43,670 --> 00:00:41,120

there anything that has been going on

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00:00:45,110 --> 00:00:43,680

that you know

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00:00:47,430 --> 00:00:45,120

that you were expecting something to

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00:00:48,950 --> 00:00:47,440

happen and it actually did i was

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00:00:51,350 --> 00:00:48,960

expecting great success and we've had

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00:00:53,830 --> 00:00:51,360

great success uh the uh the one-year

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00:00:55,350 --> 00:00:53,840

mission has gone surprisingly well in

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00:00:56,869 --> 00:00:55,360

terms of the investigations that we've

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00:00:57,590 --> 00:00:56,879

been doing on board

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00:01:01,110 --> 00:00:57,600

the

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00:01:02,549 --> 00:01:01,120

couple of a couple of major joint

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00:01:04,310 --> 00:01:02,559

investigations which are really

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00:01:06,390 --> 00:01:04,320

demonstrating how we can do much more

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00:01:08,630 --> 00:01:06,400

collaborative work in the future

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00:01:11,190 --> 00:01:08,640

have been surprisingly successful the

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00:01:12,789 --> 00:01:11,200

astronauts have been very uh prompt and

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00:01:14,230 --> 00:01:12,799

punctual in getting their work done

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00:01:15,830 --> 00:01:14,240

following instructions and their

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00:01:17,830 --> 00:01:15,840

training very well

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00:01:20,550 --> 00:01:17,840

and we're we're anxious to get the

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00:01:22,630 --> 00:01:20,560

astronauts and their samples back

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00:01:24,149 --> 00:01:22,640

next week as you mentioned next week the

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00:01:25,590 --> 00:01:24,159

astronauts land

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00:01:27,510 --> 00:01:25,600

many of the blood samples don't come

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00:01:29,190 --> 00:01:27,520

back until the next spacex landing which

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00:01:30,550 --> 00:01:29,200

is in april so we're not really going to

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00:01:33,670 --> 00:01:30,560

be able to start analyzing some of the

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00:01:35,510 --> 00:01:33,680

data they've acquired until april but

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00:01:37,510 --> 00:01:35,520

like you say the work does the work

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00:01:38,870 --> 00:01:37,520

continues even after the mission seems

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00:01:40,710 --> 00:01:38,880

to end there's a

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00:01:41,670 --> 00:01:40,720

months and months of post-flight data

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00:01:44,310 --> 00:01:41,680

collection

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00:01:45,910 --> 00:01:44,320

uh in some cases up to nine months after

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00:01:48,149 --> 00:01:45,920
landing we're still acquiring samples in

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00:01:49,510 --> 00:01:48,159
the astronauts perhaps even longer as

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00:01:50,710 --> 00:01:49,520
they return to their normal duties and

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00:01:52,469 --> 00:01:50,720
we acquire data from their annual

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00:01:55,510 --> 00:01:52,479
physicals and so forth

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00:01:57,429 --> 00:01:55,520
and then the data analysis really begins

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00:02:00,069 --> 00:01:57,439
so we're looking forward to seeing uh

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00:02:02,069 --> 00:02:00,079
the results of this uh this

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00:02:04,149 --> 00:02:02,079
first major collaborative work between

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00:02:05,990 --> 00:02:04,159
the us and the russians on the iss with

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00:02:07,109 --> 00:02:06,000
with one u.s and one russian astronaut

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00:02:08,389 --> 00:02:07,119
involved

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00:02:09,830 --> 00:02:08,399

over the course of the next several

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00:02:12,309 --> 00:02:09,840

months see the story start to come

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00:02:13,910 --> 00:02:12,319

together see the results become

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00:02:15,510 --> 00:02:13,920

crystallized and then look forward to

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00:02:17,510 --> 00:02:15,520

the publication of the results we hope

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00:02:20,150 --> 00:02:17,520

starting about a year from now or so

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00:02:22,790 --> 00:02:20,160

excellent and there seems to be a lot of

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00:02:24,790 --> 00:02:22,800

data coming either now and later do you

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00:02:26,710 --> 00:02:24,800

have a rough idea of how many

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00:02:28,309 --> 00:02:26,720

experiments that uh have been conducted

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00:02:30,150 --> 00:02:28,319

for the one-year mission

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00:02:32,150 --> 00:02:30,160

well i should because i put together the

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00:02:33,910 --> 00:02:32,160

list of investigations and as i recall

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00:02:35,830 --> 00:02:33,920

it was on the order of 17 or so

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00:02:37,270 --> 00:02:35,840

investigations really focused on the

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one-year mission that doesn't include

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00:02:40,470 --> 00:02:39,200

the work that was being done in an

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00:02:42,470 --> 00:02:40,480

independent of the one-year mission

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00:02:44,710 --> 00:02:42,480

because don't forget scott and mark are

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00:02:46,070 --> 00:02:44,720

scott and mike miguel are both crew

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00:02:47,910 --> 00:02:46,080

members on the space station with other

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00:02:48,949 --> 00:02:47,920

things to do besides our one-year

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00:02:51,110 --> 00:02:48,959

program

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00:02:53,190 --> 00:02:51,120

but they really really was the focus of

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00:02:56,070 --> 00:02:53,200

the one-year mission and at least in

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00:02:58,470 --> 00:02:56,080

terms of scott's work uh

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00:02:59,990 --> 00:02:58,480

i recall the number was 17 because that

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00:03:01,830 --> 00:03:00,000

was about twice as many as done

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00:03:03,030 --> 00:03:01,840

routinely on astronauts in terms of

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00:03:04,710 --> 00:03:03,040

medical research that we do in the

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00:03:06,550 --> 00:03:04,720

astronauts we usually do

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00:03:09,030 --> 00:03:06,560

seven or eight or nine investigations on

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00:03:10,949 --> 00:03:09,040

astronauts on six-month flights i

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00:03:12,710 --> 00:03:10,959

thought being twice as long we could do

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00:03:13,830 --> 00:03:12,720

twice as much research i was told that's

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00:03:15,110 --> 00:03:13,840

not really the way it works but it

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00:03:17,350 --> 00:03:15,120

turned out that we got pretty close to

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00:03:20,070 --> 00:03:17,360

doing that anyway seems like a nice even

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00:03:22,869 --> 00:03:20,080
number to just double it um now tell me

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00:03:23,910 --> 00:03:22,879
how have you ever or have you learned uh

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00:03:26,149 --> 00:03:23,920
anything about the various

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00:03:27,670 --> 00:03:26,159
countermeasures that have been uh

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00:03:29,350 --> 00:03:27,680
trying to that you've been trying to

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00:03:30,710 --> 00:03:29,360
work with for the one-year mission well

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00:03:32,309 --> 00:03:30,720
this uh you make a very good point

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00:03:34,070 --> 00:03:32,319
though the one-year mission is really

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00:03:35,270 --> 00:03:34,080
for from the purpose from the

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00:03:37,350 --> 00:03:35,280
perspective of the human research

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00:03:38,550 --> 00:03:37,360
program intended to validate and make

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00:03:40,309 --> 00:03:38,560
sure that the countermeasures we

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00:03:42,149 --> 00:03:40,319

developed up until now continue to be

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00:03:44,070 --> 00:03:42,159

effective for missions longer than the

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00:03:46,070 --> 00:03:44,080

typical six-month mission

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00:03:47,509 --> 00:03:46,080

and that's because mars missions will be

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00:03:49,270 --> 00:03:47,519

on the order of two to three years we

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00:03:50,550 --> 00:03:49,280

say two and a half years 30 months for a

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00:03:53,110 --> 00:03:50,560

mars mission and the work we're doing in

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00:03:55,190 --> 00:03:53,120

the space station is intended to to

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00:03:57,509 --> 00:03:55,200

really inform the countermeasures that

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00:03:58,229 --> 00:03:57,519

need to be done on mars missions

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00:04:01,670 --> 00:03:58,239

and

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00:04:03,509 --> 00:04:01,680

so that by the end of the space station

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00:04:04,789 --> 00:04:03,519

era they are validated and available for

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00:04:06,149 --> 00:04:04,799

mars missions

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00:04:07,830 --> 00:04:06,159

so we have uh we have the

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00:04:09,509 --> 00:04:07,840

countermeasures in work and you already

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00:04:12,949 --> 00:04:09,519

talked about them the a red device

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00:04:14,869 --> 00:04:12,959

exercise devices other other uh kinds of

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00:04:16,390 --> 00:04:14,879

of interventions if they're needed

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00:04:18,629 --> 00:04:16,400

medical interventions psychological

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00:04:20,550 --> 00:04:18,639

interventions if they're ever needed

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00:04:22,069 --> 00:04:20,560

so the purpose of the of the one-year

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00:04:23,510 --> 00:04:22,079

mission is to acquire the data to see

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00:04:24,870 --> 00:04:23,520

whether those countermeasures continue

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00:04:26,550 --> 00:04:24,880

to work effectively on long-duration

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00:04:27,749 --> 00:04:26,560

flights beyond six months and again

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00:04:29,270 --> 00:04:27,759

that's the data that we're going to be

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00:04:31,189 --> 00:04:29,280

looking at as the mission comes to a

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00:04:32,629 --> 00:04:31,199

close we get our post flight data we

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00:04:34,790 --> 00:04:32,639

really won't be able to tell

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00:04:36,150 --> 00:04:34,800

in some in some cases how well the

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00:04:37,590 --> 00:04:36,160

countermeasure worked until we get the

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00:04:39,270 --> 00:04:37,600

astronauts back on the ground post

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00:04:41,110 --> 00:04:39,280

flight and make measurements and see how

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00:04:42,870 --> 00:04:41,120

they compare to six month crew members

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00:04:44,469 --> 00:04:42,880

and other crew members in the past now

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00:04:46,150 --> 00:04:44,479

these counter measures that you are

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00:04:47,909 --> 00:04:46,160

measuring do you have a sort of time

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00:04:49,270 --> 00:04:47,919
frame in mind where you would be able to

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00:04:51,909 --> 00:04:49,280
analyze and come up with conclusive

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00:04:54,390 --> 00:04:51,919
results well the the post flight data

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00:04:56,230 --> 00:04:54,400
collection and uh post flight data and

155
00:04:57,830 --> 00:04:56,240
sample collection are really front end

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00:04:59,590 --> 00:04:57,840
loaded so that's really going to be as

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00:05:01,590 --> 00:04:59,600
quickly as we can get it done

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00:05:03,430 --> 00:05:01,600
immediately after landing and by quickly

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00:05:05,270 --> 00:05:03,440
i mean within days to weeks of the

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00:05:06,950 --> 00:05:05,280
landing so it's not going to be a one

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00:05:07,909 --> 00:05:06,960
stop a one shot kind of thing and then

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00:05:09,749 --> 00:05:07,919
done

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00:05:10,950 --> 00:05:09,759

but they're going to peter out along

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00:05:12,710 --> 00:05:10,960

about 30 days but there are some

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00:05:15,510 --> 00:05:12,720

measurements that take place at 30 days

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00:05:17,029 --> 00:05:15,520

and 45 days and 60 days and even up to

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00:05:18,469 --> 00:05:17,039

nine months after landing for some of

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00:05:20,469 --> 00:05:18,479

the the genetic measurements we're

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00:05:22,550 --> 00:05:20,479

making on on scott and on his twin

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00:05:24,390 --> 00:05:22,560

brother mark so we're really talking

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00:05:26,310 --> 00:05:24,400

about a lot of data collection

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00:05:28,150 --> 00:05:26,320

very soon after landing

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00:05:29,670 --> 00:05:28,160

ongoing data collection at a lower level

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00:05:31,590 --> 00:05:29,680

of intensity for several months after

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00:05:33,670 --> 00:05:31,600

that and then about six or eight months

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00:05:34,870 --> 00:05:33,680

after landing most of the scientists

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00:05:36,629 --> 00:05:34,880

should have most of the data they're

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00:05:38,070 --> 00:05:36,639

going to get and they can be and they

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00:05:40,150 --> 00:05:38,080

will have already started analyzing the

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00:05:41,590 --> 00:05:40,160

samples and crunching the numbers and

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00:05:44,230 --> 00:05:41,600

coming up with some preliminary

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00:05:47,029 --> 00:05:44,240

conclusions and dr charles last question

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00:05:48,790 --> 00:05:47,039

um any thoughts about the benefits of

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00:05:50,790 --> 00:05:48,800

doing joint research with the russians

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00:05:53,110 --> 00:05:50,800

since the one year mission did include

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00:05:54,710 --> 00:05:53,120

both scott kelly and mikhail kornienko

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00:05:56,150 --> 00:05:54,720

well gary that's that's really the

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00:05:57,590 --> 00:05:56,160

important part of this one-year mission

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00:05:59,189 --> 00:05:57,600

the one-year mission is not just a

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00:06:01,270 --> 00:05:59,199

one-year mission but it is a one-year

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00:06:02,629 --> 00:06:01,280

collaborative mission between all the

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00:06:04,070 --> 00:06:02,639

partners on the international space

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00:06:05,510 --> 00:06:04,080

station primarily the us and the

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00:06:07,110 --> 00:06:05,520

russians which each contributed a crew

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00:06:08,710 --> 00:06:07,120

member and substantial numbers of

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00:06:11,110 --> 00:06:08,720

investigations

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00:06:12,710 --> 00:06:11,120

that was my primary purpose in getting

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00:06:14,390 --> 00:06:12,720

involved was figuring out a good way to

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00:06:15,990 --> 00:06:14,400

do that so we could do that then on

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00:06:17,830 --> 00:06:16,000

subsequent space station missions

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00:06:19,110 --> 00:06:17,840
whether they're one-year missions or not

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00:06:21,749 --> 00:06:19,120
the idea being to increase the

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00:06:23,430 --> 00:06:21,759
efficiency to make sure that we have uh

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00:06:25,990 --> 00:06:23,440
efficient use of the resources on board

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00:06:27,270 --> 00:06:26,000
the crew time answering questions for

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00:06:28,710 --> 00:06:27,280
all of the partners that need to be

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00:06:30,469 --> 00:06:28,720
answered using astronauts and space

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00:06:32,629 --> 00:06:30,479
flight and that part of it has been

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00:06:34,950 --> 00:06:32,639
remarkably successful surprisingly

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00:06:37,029 --> 00:06:34,960
successful i did not expect it to go as

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00:06:38,629 --> 00:06:37,039
well as it has done now that's not to

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00:06:40,230 --> 00:06:38,639
say it was not without a great deal of

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00:06:43,189 --> 00:06:40,240

effort by a lot of people to make sure

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00:06:45,749 --> 00:06:43,199

that that happened and uh my hat is off

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00:06:47,270 --> 00:06:45,759

to to all all the people us russian and

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00:06:49,350 --> 00:06:47,280

others who made sure that we were

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00:06:51,189 --> 00:06:49,360

successful but we've had two major

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00:06:52,710 --> 00:06:51,199

flagship investigations you've talked a

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little bit about one of them fluid shift

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00:06:56,790 --> 00:06:55,120

study fluid shifting involves moving a

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00:06:58,230 --> 00:06:56,800

lot of monitoring equipment from the us

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00:06:59,909 --> 00:06:58,240

segment into the russian segment and

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00:07:01,510 --> 00:06:59,919

converting the service module

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00:07:03,430 --> 00:07:01,520

essentially into a cardiovascular lab

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00:07:04,950 --> 00:07:03,440

for a couple of days at a time three

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00:07:06,710 --> 00:07:04,960

times in a mission

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00:07:08,390 --> 00:07:06,720

it took a tremendous amount of

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00:07:10,550 --> 00:07:08,400

coordination between the u.s and russian

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00:07:12,070 --> 00:07:10,560

sides procedures and engineering-wise

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00:07:12,790 --> 00:07:12,080

and safety assurance and things like

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00:07:15,430 --> 00:07:12,800

that

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00:07:17,510 --> 00:07:15,440

and it worked beautifully all three

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00:07:19,110 --> 00:07:17,520

times it was tried and then post flight

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00:07:20,790 --> 00:07:19,120

we have the post landing measurements

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00:07:22,710 --> 00:07:20,800

and a study that we call field tests

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00:07:24,629 --> 00:07:22,720

again a joint u.s russian investigation

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where measurements are made on the crew

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members after they land in kazakhstan

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after a six month or in this case a

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one-year mission to understand how their

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00:07:35,990 --> 00:07:33,759

human body responds to returning to a

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00:07:38,230 --> 00:07:36,000

planetary surface in this case earth it

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could be mars after a period of time in

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00:07:42,469 --> 00:07:40,160

space equivalent to the transit of

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00:07:45,589 --> 00:07:42,479

astronauts from the earth to mars for

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00:07:47,270 --> 00:07:45,599

mars mission that has gone uh very well

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00:07:49,350 --> 00:07:47,280

in preliminary versions in the pilot

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00:07:50,950 --> 00:07:49,360

study just last september with gennady

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00:07:52,869 --> 00:07:50,960

padalka we started doing the full up

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00:07:55,749 --> 00:07:52,879

field test and this will be the first

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00:07:57,589 --> 00:07:55,759

time we get full up field test data on

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two people one american one russian at

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00:08:02,390 --> 00:08:00,720

the landing site which will inform us of

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00:08:04,230 --> 00:08:02,400

of the new i mean give us new

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00:08:06,550 --> 00:08:04,240

information essentially on the aspects

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00:08:08,550 --> 00:08:06,560

of of human uh capabilities and

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00:08:10,070 --> 00:08:08,560

performance after a very long space

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00:08:11,909 --> 00:08:10,080

flight upon landing on a planetary

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surface all that is relevant like the

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00:08:13,990 --> 00:08:13,280

fluid shift study like the other work we

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do

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00:08:17,350 --> 00:08:15,840

it's preparing for astronauts preparing

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astronauts for longer flights beyond

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00:08:21,990 --> 00:08:19,840

north orbit like say to mars

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00:08:23,430 --> 00:08:22,000

excellent when we're excited for you as

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00:08:25,189 --> 00:08:23,440

the field tests are coming up in just

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about a week and so there's a lot of

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data to study a lot of more deep more

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00:08:32,870 --> 00:08:31,360

data to come out and um we thank you for

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00:08:34,790 --> 00:08:32,880

uh taking some time to talk with us

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00:08:36,630 --> 00:08:34,800

today dr john charles the chief