



1  
00:00:09,200 --> 00:00:06,760  
welcome to NASA's Jet Propulsion

2  
00:00:11,600 --> 00:00:09,210  
Laboratory I'm Jane Platt with the media

3  
00:00:14,330 --> 00:00:11,610  
relations office oh the Mars Curiosity

4  
00:00:17,090 --> 00:00:14,340  
rover is settling in well into its new

5  
00:00:19,670 --> 00:00:17,100  
home on Mars and I guess we could say

6  
00:00:21,400 --> 00:00:19,680  
it's really on a roll right now we're

7  
00:00:23,420 --> 00:00:21,410  
going to be hearing from a panel of

8  
00:00:25,880 --> 00:00:23,430  
scientists and engineers to tell us

9  
00:00:27,349 --> 00:00:25,890  
what's going on but first I did want to

10  
00:00:29,810 --> 00:00:27,359  
mention that today has been declared

11  
00:00:32,420 --> 00:00:29,820  
space day by California Governor Jerry

12  
00:00:34,940 --> 00:00:32,430  
Brown who will be visiting JPL and

13  
00:00:36,229 --> 00:00:34,950

meeting with the rover team later on but

14

00:00:38,720 --> 00:00:36,239

in the meantime we're going to start

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00:00:40,310 --> 00:00:38,730

with our panel and we're going to

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00:00:42,889 --> 00:00:40,320

introduce them first of all we have

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00:00:45,260 --> 00:00:42,899

Michael Meyer he's the lead scientist

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00:00:47,959 --> 00:00:45,270

for the Mars exploration program NASA

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00:00:51,439 --> 00:00:47,969

headquarters in Washington we have Pete

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00:00:54,200 --> 00:00:51,449

tysinger the MSL project manager for a

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00:00:56,330 --> 00:00:54,210

Jet Propulsion Laboratory and we have

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00:00:59,119 --> 00:00:56,340

Roger Weems principal investigator of

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00:01:05,750 --> 00:00:59,129

the chemcam instrument Los Alamos

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00:01:07,850 --> 00:01:05,760

National Laboratory in New Mexico Matt

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00:01:10,520 --> 00:01:07,860

hive early mat heavily is next and he's

26

00:01:13,370 --> 00:01:10,530

the lead Rover planner for he's are at

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00:01:15,530 --> 00:01:13,380

JPL and Roger Weems then is the

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00:01:18,230 --> 00:01:15,540

principal investigator at chemcam from

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00:01:20,810 --> 00:01:18,240

Los Alamos in New Mexico and we have

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00:01:24,020 --> 00:01:20,820

last but not least joy crisp the deputy

31

00:01:25,370 --> 00:01:24,030

project scientist at JPL we're going to

32

00:01:27,280 --> 00:01:25,380

start things off this morning with a

33

00:01:30,230 --> 00:01:27,290

special announcement from Michael Meyer

34

00:01:31,730 --> 00:01:30,240

well thank you actually before I make

35

00:01:33,620 --> 00:01:31,740

the announcement which I think all of

36

00:01:37,100 --> 00:01:33,630

you will enjoy I would like to show you

37

00:01:40,810 --> 00:01:37,110

a short video this video was made on the

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00:01:45,469 --> 00:01:40,820

eve of the arrival at Mars of Mariner 9

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00:01:47,090 --> 00:01:45,479

this was in November of 1971 and in the

40

00:01:50,380 --> 00:01:47,100

video you'll see a couple people you

41

00:01:54,530 --> 00:01:50,390

might recognize like Bruce Murray and

42

00:01:57,679 --> 00:01:54,540

Carl Sagan and Ray Bradbury so we can

43

00:02:00,200 --> 00:01:57,689

look at that video I was hoping that

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00:02:03,469 --> 00:02:00,210

during the last few days as we got

45

00:02:05,240 --> 00:02:03,479

closer to Mars and the dust cleared that

46

00:02:12,750 --> 00:02:05,250

we see a lot of Martian standing there

47

00:02:22,980 --> 00:02:14,570

you

48

00:02:24,990 --> 00:02:22,990

brought along too though I'm going to

49

00:02:27,480 --> 00:02:25,000

keep this short because I much rather

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00:02:29,700 --> 00:02:27,490

listen to our scientific friends here

51  
00:02:31,980 --> 00:02:29,710  
today tell us about what's coming up

52  
00:02:33,690 --> 00:02:31,990  
this week but I every time I get a group

53  
00:02:37,020 --> 00:02:33,700  
of people together and have them trapped

54  
00:02:40,800 --> 00:02:37,030  
in a pile like this i bring a poem say

55  
00:02:43,200 --> 00:02:40,810  
and you can't escape me but luckily it's

56  
00:02:45,630 --> 00:02:43,210  
a short poem but it sums up some of my

57  
00:02:47,370 --> 00:02:45,640  
feelings on why i love space travel why

58  
00:02:49,290 --> 00:02:47,380  
i write science fiction why i'm

59  
00:02:53,360 --> 00:02:49,300  
intrigued with what's going on this

60  
00:02:55,500 --> 00:02:53,370  
weekend of Mars and part of this has my

61  
00:02:57,840 --> 00:02:55,510  
philosophy about space travel and

62  
00:03:00,390 --> 00:02:57,850  
initial permit are read it to you it's

63  
00:03:02,700 --> 00:03:00,400

very very short the fence we walked

64

00:03:05,340 --> 00:03:02,710

between the years that balance us serene

65

00:03:07,230 --> 00:03:05,350

was a place half in the sky we're in the

66

00:03:09,720 --> 00:03:07,240

green of leaf and promising of peach

67

00:03:12,210 --> 00:03:09,730

we've reached our hand attention almost

68

00:03:15,750 --> 00:03:12,220

touched the sky if we could reach and

69

00:03:20,130 --> 00:03:15,760

touch me said it strategist not to never

70

00:03:22,380 --> 00:03:20,140

to be dead we ate and almost touched

71

00:03:25,290 --> 00:03:22,390

that stuff our reach was never quite

72

00:03:28,410 --> 00:03:25,300

enough if only we had Tyler bin and

73

00:03:30,479 --> 00:03:28,420

touched God's cuff is his hem we would

74

00:03:33,540 --> 00:03:30,489

not have to go with them who have gone

75

00:03:36,540 --> 00:03:33,550

before who sure does us two towels they

76

00:03:38,760 --> 00:03:36,550

could stand and hopes by stretching tell

77

00:03:41,240 --> 00:03:38,770

that they might keep their land their

78

00:03:44,009 --> 00:03:41,250

home their heart their flesh and sold

79

00:03:47,910 --> 00:03:44,019

but they like us for standing in a hole

80

00:03:51,060 --> 00:03:47,920

Oh Thomas will erase one day stand

81

00:03:53,280 --> 00:03:51,070

really tower across the void across the

82

00:03:56,280 --> 00:03:53,290

universe and all and measured out with

83

00:03:59,430 --> 00:03:56,290

rocket fire at last put Adams finger

84

00:04:02,940 --> 00:03:59,440

fourth as on the Sistine ceiling and

85

00:04:06,120 --> 00:04:02,950

God's hand come down the other way to

86

00:04:09,240 --> 00:04:06,130

measure man and find him good and gift

87

00:04:13,620 --> 00:04:09,250

him with forever's day I worked for that

88

00:04:16,830 --> 00:04:13,630

short man large dream i send my rockets

89

00:04:19,240 --> 00:04:16,840

forth between my ears hoping an inch of

90

00:04:22,240 --> 00:04:19,250

good is worth a pound of years

91

00:04:25,180 --> 00:04:22,250

aching to hear a voice cried back around

92

00:04:39,540 --> 00:04:25,190

the universal man we've reached Alpha

93

00:04:51,880 --> 00:04:45,610

and today Saul 16 we had the first

94

00:04:53,620 --> 00:04:51,890

roving astrobiology rover on Mars and we

95

00:04:56,980 --> 00:04:53,630

have truly extended our reach and

96

00:05:01,420 --> 00:04:56,990

touched another planet today would have

97

00:05:03,460 --> 00:05:01,430

been Ray Bradbury's 92nd birthday but he

98

00:05:05,440 --> 00:05:03,470

has already reached in mortality with

99

00:05:10,750 --> 00:05:05,450

the hundreds of short stories he's

100

00:05:12,730 --> 00:05:10,760

written and nearly 50 books his books

101  
00:05:15,490 --> 00:05:12,740  
have truly inspired us the Martian

102  
00:05:18,250 --> 00:05:15,500  
Chronicles have inspired our curiosity

103  
00:05:22,480 --> 00:05:18,260  
and open our minds of the possibility of

104  
00:05:25,420 --> 00:05:22,490  
life on Mars in his honor we declared

105  
00:05:28,990 --> 00:05:25,430  
the place that that curiosity touched

106  
00:05:34,330 --> 00:05:29,000  
down to be it forever known as Bradbury

107  
00:05:36,880 --> 00:05:34,340  
landing I kind of like the name for one

108  
00:05:39,730 --> 00:05:36,890  
it was you know the majority vote of the

109  
00:05:42,640 --> 00:05:39,740  
science team having been inspired by Ray

110  
00:05:46,630 --> 00:05:42,650  
Bradbury landing is actually an event

111  
00:05:49,000 --> 00:05:46,640  
it's not an object also it harkens back

112  
00:05:51,850 --> 00:05:49,010  
to the time when ships landed on the

113  
00:05:58,810 --> 00:05:51,860

shores of other new worlds to explore

114

00:06:03,520 --> 00:05:58,820

and this place might in fact with its

115

00:06:06,159 --> 00:06:03,530

water reference be even more apropos so

116

00:06:07,990 --> 00:06:06,169

I would like to choose I would like to

117

00:06:10,120 --> 00:06:08,000

relay to you one of my favorite scene

118

00:06:12,700 --> 00:06:10,130

from the Martian Chronicles and that was

119

00:06:16,330 --> 00:06:12,710

when the humans peer over the rim of one

120

00:06:18,719 --> 00:06:16,340

of the Martian canals and there they see

121

00:06:23,320 --> 00:06:18,729

reflected in the water Martians and

122

00:06:25,930 --> 00:06:23,330

themselves and so as we look forward to

123

00:06:27,909 --> 00:06:25,940

one of those days I would like to now

124

00:06:31,390 --> 00:06:27,919

turn it over to peek tysinger who will

125

00:06:33,600 --> 00:06:31,400

tell us about our intrepid Martian the

126

00:06:37,270 --> 00:06:33,610

rover Curiosity

127

00:06:39,640 --> 00:06:37,280

thank you Mike um i would like before i

128

00:06:48,219 --> 00:06:39,650

start to give a small hand of applause

129

00:06:50,439 --> 00:06:48,229

to Ray Bradbury he was a friend of JPL

130

00:06:52,600 --> 00:06:50,449

as well as of the total space program

131

00:06:54,670 --> 00:06:52,610

and and and several people including

132

00:06:58,809 --> 00:06:54,680

myself had the honor of meeting him and

133

00:07:00,969 --> 00:06:58,819

and so very apropos gesture um you are

134

00:07:04,240 --> 00:07:00,979

looking here today at a very smiley

135

00:07:06,520 --> 00:07:04,250

ecstatic project manager we have

136

00:07:09,040 --> 00:07:06,530

completed 16 souls on the surface and

137

00:07:13,270 --> 00:07:09,050

everything has been going extremely well

138

00:07:14,950 --> 00:07:13,280

I mean really extremely well we have no

139

00:07:17,020 --> 00:07:14,960

anomalies or other issues that we're

140

00:07:19,420 --> 00:07:17,030

working with the exception of the rims

141

00:07:22,390 --> 00:07:19,430

win sensor anomaly which is still in

142

00:07:25,270 --> 00:07:22,400

work and if I could have the first slide

143

00:07:28,059 --> 00:07:25,280

please I kind of like to take you back

144

00:07:29,529 --> 00:07:28,069

to to the day before landing I think

145

00:07:31,480 --> 00:07:29,539

Richard cooks that on the stage and

146

00:07:33,790 --> 00:07:31,490

talked about what the near-term plans

147

00:07:35,469 --> 00:07:33,800

were going to be after 10 31 on that

148

00:07:37,540 --> 00:07:35,479

Sunday evening I'd like to kind of let

149

00:07:39,820 --> 00:07:37,550

you know what's happened in the early

150

00:07:40,990 --> 00:07:39,830

first week of the planned activities we

151  
00:07:42,850 --> 00:07:41,000  
were going to do the high-gain antenna

152  
00:07:45,459 --> 00:07:42,860  
deploy mass deploy instrumen aliveness

153  
00:07:46,839 --> 00:07:45,469  
checks acquire panorama we had a quiet

154  
00:07:48,640 --> 00:07:46,849  
day planned and we were going to start

155  
00:07:50,320 --> 00:07:48,650  
and then a few days later finish the

156  
00:07:52,029 --> 00:07:50,330  
flight software changed the surface load

157  
00:07:53,469 --> 00:07:52,039  
and notice that check marks because

158  
00:07:56,769 --> 00:07:53,479  
we've successfully completed all those

159  
00:08:00,550 --> 00:07:56,779  
activities basically on plan next slide

160  
00:08:03,219 --> 00:08:00,560  
please and this was kind of the longer

161  
00:08:04,540 --> 00:08:03,229  
view going forward in early August we

162  
00:08:06,010 --> 00:08:04,550  
were going to get the first images and

163  
00:08:08,860 --> 00:08:06,020

finished the engineering check out and

164

00:08:10,570 --> 00:08:08,870

we've completed that activity in mid to

165

00:08:14,170 --> 00:08:10,580

late august we were complete the payload

166

00:08:15,490 --> 00:08:14,180

checkouts and we've done that and and

167

00:08:17,499 --> 00:08:15,500

we're going to check out the sample

168

00:08:20,379 --> 00:08:17,509

system and we have not quite completed

169

00:08:21,730 --> 00:08:20,389

that work we have done a short drive

170

00:08:23,469 --> 00:08:21,740

today that Matt will talk about in a

171

00:08:26,189 --> 00:08:23,479

second and with that activity we have

172

00:08:30,159 --> 00:08:26,199

completed the characterization phase a

173

00:08:32,319 --> 00:08:30,169

1-1 both a and B if you recall in that

174

00:08:34,449 --> 00:08:32,329

plan of there's going to be an

175

00:08:37,060 --> 00:08:34,459

intermission between cap 1 and cap too

176

00:08:38,649 --> 00:08:37,070

and that is going to take place and and

177

00:08:41,920 --> 00:08:38,659

that intermission is likely to be a

178

00:08:44,350 --> 00:08:41,930

little bit more extended and so and so

179

00:08:46,060 --> 00:08:44,360

rather than do the surface sample

180

00:08:46,480 --> 00:08:46,070

checkouts and then the first drive I

181

00:08:47,710 --> 00:08:46,490

think this

182

00:08:49,620 --> 00:08:47,720

scientists have decided we're going to

183

00:08:51,850 --> 00:08:49,630

take a little bit of an extensive drive

184

00:08:54,340 --> 00:08:51,860

since we now know the system works well

185

00:08:57,550 --> 00:08:54,350

and and then we will complete the sample

186

00:08:59,110 --> 00:08:57,560

system checkouts later in August we

187

00:09:01,510 --> 00:08:59,120

still ought to be able to complete a

188

00:09:04,240 --> 00:09:01,520

scoop sample in midair late-september on

189

00:09:06,280 --> 00:09:04,250

plan and Anna first drill symbol in

190

00:09:08,079 --> 00:09:06,290

October November so right now a little

191

00:09:10,930 --> 00:09:08,089

bit more intermission a little bit more

192

00:09:13,210 --> 00:09:10,940

science from that and and and but we're

193

00:09:15,579 --> 00:09:13,220

basically on plan with what I like to

194

00:09:18,130 --> 00:09:15,589

repeat is that extremely well behaved a

195

00:09:21,190 --> 00:09:18,140

flight system on Mars and Matt will tell

196

00:09:22,720 --> 00:09:21,200

us about today's drive thanks Pete so

197

00:09:25,540 --> 00:09:22,730

let's get straight to the good stuff and

198

00:09:28,090 --> 00:09:25,550

put up the image from today the very

199

00:09:30,280 --> 00:09:28,100

beautiful image so I'm pleased to report

200

00:09:39,160 --> 00:09:30,290

that curiosity today had our first

201  
00:09:41,530 --> 00:09:39,170  
successful drive on Mars so this this

202  
00:09:43,210 --> 00:09:41,540  
Drive check out coupled with yester

203  
00:09:45,190 --> 00:09:43,220  
Sol's check out of the steering

204  
00:09:47,949 --> 00:09:45,200  
actuators on cell 15 means that we have

205  
00:09:50,199 --> 00:09:47,959  
a fully functioning mobility system on

206  
00:09:52,210 --> 00:09:50,209  
our Rover and in this image you can see

207  
00:09:53,650 --> 00:09:52,220  
our touchdown point you can see the

208  
00:09:56,769 --> 00:09:53,660  
tracks driving away from that location

209  
00:09:58,960 --> 00:09:56,779  
as well as the scour marks to the right

210  
00:10:01,630 --> 00:09:58,970  
and the left of the rover's initial

211  
00:10:04,269 --> 00:10:01,640  
position we drove forward did it turn in

212  
00:10:06,069 --> 00:10:04,279  
place and backed up and you can see that

213  
00:10:08,500 --> 00:10:06,079

the the soil underneath the rover it

214

00:10:11,199 --> 00:10:08,510

kind of confirms our expectations that

215

00:10:13,780 --> 00:10:11,209

the soil is firm great for mobility

216

00:10:15,310 --> 00:10:13,790

we're not in seeing too much sinkage and

217

00:10:17,740 --> 00:10:15,320

that we should have smooth sailing ahead

218

00:10:19,810 --> 00:10:17,750

of us I've also got another graphic

219

00:10:23,819 --> 00:10:19,820

showing the animation of the drive today

220

00:10:26,170 --> 00:10:23,829

if we can move to that so this is our

221

00:10:28,090 --> 00:10:26,180

simulation and visualization tool which

222

00:10:30,280 --> 00:10:28,100

shows our first drive so we initially

223

00:10:32,800 --> 00:10:30,290

bumped forward 90 centimeters to image

224

00:10:34,650 --> 00:10:32,810

the wheels and then drove an additional

225

00:10:37,600 --> 00:10:34,660

distance to total four and a half meters

226

00:10:38,949 --> 00:10:37,610

where we did our first turn in place and

227

00:10:40,480 --> 00:10:38,959

you can see we're imaging every once in

228

00:10:41,829 --> 00:10:40,490

a while to look at the wheels as we're

229

00:10:44,880 --> 00:10:41,839

driving to inspect them and check them

230

00:10:47,500 --> 00:10:44,890

out turning half of our 120 degree turn

231

00:10:50,260 --> 00:10:47,510

turning the remaining distance and then

232

00:10:52,449 --> 00:10:50,270

backing up two and a half meters so this

233

00:10:55,000 --> 00:10:52,459

final location places us in a good spot

234

00:10:56,650 --> 00:10:55,010

to do some good science here we've got

235

00:10:58,780 --> 00:10:56,660

the gold burns scour off to the right

236

00:11:00,100 --> 00:10:58,790

side of the rover where we can view it

237

00:11:00,310 --> 00:11:00,110

with the chemcam instrument and the

238

00:11:02,290 --> 00:11:00,320

other

239

00:11:04,270 --> 00:11:02,300

instruments the key things about the

240

00:11:05,830 --> 00:11:04,280

drive today were that we were able to do

241

00:11:07,750 --> 00:11:05,840

one full revolution of the drive

242

00:11:09,700 --> 00:11:07,760

actuators in the forward direction we

243

00:11:11,380 --> 00:11:09,710

were able to turn and see that the

244

00:11:13,540 --> 00:11:11,390

inertial measurement unit telling the

245

00:11:15,100 --> 00:11:13,550

rover how it's heading is changing is

246

00:11:16,780 --> 00:11:15,110

working properly and we were able to

247

00:11:19,180 --> 00:11:16,790

back up another full revolution of the

248

00:11:20,590 --> 00:11:19,190

drive actuators so we were able to see

249

00:11:22,840 --> 00:11:20,600

motor currents we were able to get the

250

00:11:25,780 --> 00:11:22,850

data and everything looks perfectly

251  
00:11:28,900 --> 00:11:25,790  
nominal so we're very excited to to have

252  
00:11:30,820 --> 00:11:28,910  
this kind of milestone behind us we see

253  
00:11:32,920 --> 00:11:30,830  
that the system is performing very well

254  
00:11:34,780 --> 00:11:32,930  
and we're in a great place to do some

255  
00:11:38,830 --> 00:11:34,790  
science so with that I'll pass it over

256  
00:11:41,590 --> 00:11:38,840  
to Roger thanks Matt exciting so I'm

257  
00:11:43,900 --> 00:11:41,600  
going to talk about the check out of the

258  
00:11:47,080 --> 00:11:43,910  
chemcam instrument and some of the first

259  
00:11:50,110 --> 00:11:47,090  
science with it the chemcam is the laser

260  
00:11:54,160 --> 00:11:50,120  
instrument which fires high-energy

261  
00:11:58,270 --> 00:11:54,170  
pulses at targets up to almost 25 feet

262  
00:12:00,940 --> 00:11:58,280  
away so it that produces plasmas that

263  
00:12:05,080 --> 00:12:00,950

provide chemical composition of the

264

00:12:07,600 --> 00:12:05,090

samples for us to to understand so we're

265

00:12:09,850 --> 00:12:07,610

going to cut to a video here which will

266

00:12:11,350 --> 00:12:09,860

show a demonstration before we

267

00:12:14,170 --> 00:12:11,360

integrated this instrument onto the

268

00:12:15,970 --> 00:12:14,180

rover so here is the mast part of the

269

00:12:18,220 --> 00:12:15,980

chemcam instrument you see a four and a

270

00:12:20,830 --> 00:12:18,230

half inch telescope there the laser is

271

00:12:22,240 --> 00:12:20,840

right behind and we're going to show a

272

00:12:24,190 --> 00:12:22,250

little demonstration where this

273

00:12:26,950 --> 00:12:24,200

instrument is going to be used to fire

274

00:12:29,410 --> 00:12:26,960

at an iron pyrite target about eight

275

00:12:31,660 --> 00:12:29,420

feet away so we're setting it up here

276

00:12:34,120 --> 00:12:31,670

the laser beam is invisible but you

277

00:12:36,820 --> 00:12:34,130

actually see the plasmas first at three

278

00:12:38,620 --> 00:12:36,830

hertz here and then at ten Hertz so

279

00:12:40,840 --> 00:12:38,630

you'll see how it can shoot and then we

280

00:12:42,040 --> 00:12:40,850

just show a still image of the plasma so

281

00:12:45,280 --> 00:12:42,050

you can see what it really looks like

282

00:12:47,440 --> 00:12:45,290

missed this test was done at terrestrial

283

00:12:50,560 --> 00:12:47,450

pressure it was done in Los Alamos

284

00:12:52,600 --> 00:12:50,570

National Lab and the plasmas are more

285

00:12:54,910 --> 00:12:52,610

confined in a terrestrial atmosphere

286

00:12:56,890 --> 00:12:54,920

than the air on Mars and so if we show

287

00:12:58,620 --> 00:12:56,900

the next image you'll actually see the

288

00:13:02,050 --> 00:12:58,630

difference so on the Left you'll see

289

00:13:04,270 --> 00:13:02,060

what a plasma looks like at in a

290

00:13:05,710 --> 00:13:04,280

terrestrial environment that's but this

291

00:13:07,900 --> 00:13:05,720

was in a chamber and so then we

292

00:13:10,360 --> 00:13:07,910

evacuated it down to Mars pressure which

293

00:13:12,700 --> 00:13:10,370

is about 1% of Earth's pressure and on

294

00:13:13,870 --> 00:13:12,710

the right you can see the size and

295

00:13:16,480 --> 00:13:13,880

brilliance of the plasma

296

00:13:18,130 --> 00:13:16,490

Mars pressure and so on the right is

297

00:13:22,660 --> 00:13:18,140

what's actually happening now on Mars

298

00:13:24,580 --> 00:13:22,670

and so as you and you know the the short

299

00:13:30,880 --> 00:13:24,590

of this is that that we were getting

300

00:13:33,640 --> 00:13:30,890

great signal so far so basically chemcam

301  
00:13:37,710 --> 00:13:33,650  
also includes a remote micro imager so

302  
00:13:40,210 --> 00:13:37,720  
this imager is designed to take close-up

303  
00:13:42,400 --> 00:13:40,220  
high-resolution images to provide the

304  
00:13:44,830 --> 00:13:42,410  
context for these small analysis spots

305  
00:13:47,650 --> 00:13:44,840  
that we hit with the laser but it can

306  
00:13:50,260 --> 00:13:47,660  
also image other areas as well so until

307  
00:13:51,670 --> 00:13:50,270  
we pull out the mastcam 100 and start

308  
00:13:55,560 --> 00:13:51,680  
using that this is a highest resolution

309  
00:13:58,810 --> 00:13:55,570  
imager on the rover for right now so

310  
00:14:02,320 --> 00:13:58,820  
basically in the next image will show

311  
00:14:04,960 --> 00:14:02,330  
the rock that we first analyzed on the

312  
00:14:08,200 --> 00:14:04,970  
surface of Mars this was a rock called

313  
00:14:11,140 --> 00:14:08,210

coronation it was it was selected

314

00:14:14,020 --> 00:14:11,150

because it was at a nice distance from

315

00:14:16,060 --> 00:14:14,030

the rover it had a nice flat face the

316

00:14:19,210 --> 00:14:16,070

rock itself is about only three inches

317

00:14:22,390 --> 00:14:19,220

across and it's about let's see about

318

00:14:24,580 --> 00:14:22,400

eight feet from the instrument and so we

319

00:14:28,270 --> 00:14:24,590

sent up the commands on Saturday night

320

00:14:31,030 --> 00:14:28,280

and the spectra came back on early on

321

00:14:33,850 --> 00:14:31,040

Sunday morning and we had a very excited

322

00:14:36,040 --> 00:14:33,860

team to look at this and actually the

323

00:14:37,930 --> 00:14:36,050

way the way we did this we actually took

324

00:14:40,510 --> 00:14:37,940

an image the day before and then and

325

00:14:42,460 --> 00:14:40,520

then repointed just slightly so the

326

00:14:44,110 --> 00:14:42,470

image you see on this on this picture is

327

00:14:46,390 --> 00:14:44,120

just a little bit off but the next day

328

00:14:48,520 --> 00:14:46,400

we got it right in the middle and we

329

00:14:51,160 --> 00:14:48,530

show a little inset of where where it

330

00:14:54,180 --> 00:14:51,170

hit on the rock and I'll show another

331

00:14:57,490 --> 00:14:54,190

one like that a little bit later but the

332

00:15:01,030 --> 00:14:57,500

next slide will show is actually the the

333

00:15:04,030 --> 00:15:01,040

spectrum from this rock in short we got

334

00:15:06,810 --> 00:15:04,040

excellent signal we actually saturated

335

00:15:09,610 --> 00:15:06,820

one emission-line oxygen just slightly

336

00:15:12,580 --> 00:15:09,620

so that just shows what good signal

337

00:15:17,140 --> 00:15:12,590

we're getting from from Mars so the

338

00:15:19,600 --> 00:15:17,150

spectrum consists of 6144 channels that

339

00:15:23,320 --> 00:15:19,610

span the wavelength range from 240 to

340

00:15:25,620 --> 00:15:23,330

850 nanometers and so that covers the

341

00:15:27,220 --> 00:15:25,630

ultraviolet with one spectrometer a

342

00:15:28,720 --> 00:15:27,230

violet and blue ray

343

00:15:31,260 --> 00:15:28,730

change with another spectrometer and

344

00:15:34,840 --> 00:15:31,270

then the visible and near-infrared range

345

00:15:36,880 --> 00:15:34,850

that Ric with the third spectrometer and

346

00:15:40,600 --> 00:15:36,890

so a color covers all the rainbow colors

347

00:15:42,670 --> 00:15:40,610

plus a bunch on both sides and so you

348

00:15:44,530 --> 00:15:42,680

can see labeled on there a number of

349

00:15:46,270 --> 00:15:44,540

emission lines that represent different

350

00:15:48,400 --> 00:15:46,280

elements and so those are the things we

351

00:15:51,160 --> 00:15:48,410

look for and so we can see the major

352

00:15:55,260 --> 00:15:51,170

elements on here oxygen silicon

353

00:15:57,910 --> 00:15:55,270

magnesium iron sodium potassium calcium

354

00:15:59,620 --> 00:15:57,920

but there's also minor and trace

355

00:16:01,450 --> 00:15:59,630

elements that we can really pick up with

356

00:16:04,600 --> 00:16:01,460

this instrument and so the inset on the

357

00:16:07,920 --> 00:16:04,610

upper left actually shows titanium and

358

00:16:11,680 --> 00:16:07,930

manganese which are which are quite

359

00:16:13,600 --> 00:16:11,690

lower in composition and also if you'll

360

00:16:15,580 --> 00:16:13,610

if you look you can see a lithium

361

00:16:18,760 --> 00:16:15,590

pointed out as well and that's probably

362

00:16:20,200 --> 00:16:18,770

less than 50 parts per million so

363

00:16:22,300 --> 00:16:20,210

there's a lot of detail we can get from

364

00:16:24,520 --> 00:16:22,310

this instrument and so we're really

365

00:16:26,590 --> 00:16:24,530

excited about that just one more thing

366

00:16:30,280 --> 00:16:26,600

about that is the inset near the center

367

00:16:33,340 --> 00:16:30,290

which shows the peaks of hydrogen and

368

00:16:35,560 --> 00:16:33,350

carbon the carbon peak on the right of

369

00:16:37,780 --> 00:16:35,570

this inset is from the atmosphere so

370

00:16:40,300 --> 00:16:37,790

there's nothing real big there in terms

371

00:16:43,690 --> 00:16:40,310

of findings the peak on the left showing

372

00:16:46,960 --> 00:16:43,700

hydrogen this is actually a sequence

373

00:16:50,260 --> 00:16:46,970

plot which shows every single laser shot

374

00:16:52,690 --> 00:16:50,270

as a separate spectrum and we did 30

375

00:16:55,870 --> 00:16:52,700

shots here and so the the first shot is

376

00:16:57,430 --> 00:16:55,880

shown in the white and that curve shows

377

00:16:59,530 --> 00:16:57,440

that we actually had hydrogen on the

378

00:17:00,850 --> 00:16:59,540

first shot but then I went down we could

379

00:17:02,770 --> 00:17:00,860

barely see it on the second shot and

380

00:17:04,840 --> 00:17:02,780

then it went away so it shows us that on

381

00:17:07,480 --> 00:17:04,850

the very surface of this rock we had

382

00:17:09,280 --> 00:17:07,490

hydrogen another thing that we saw on

383

00:17:12,550 --> 00:17:09,290

the surface was an enhancement of

384

00:17:13,960 --> 00:17:12,560

magnesium so we saw this on Coronation

385

00:17:15,640 --> 00:17:13,970

we also saw this on all of the samples

386

00:17:17,800 --> 00:17:15,650

we've looked at so far including the

387

00:17:19,750 --> 00:17:17,810

calibration target on the rover so this

388

00:17:21,460 --> 00:17:19,760

may be indicative of something from the

389

00:17:24,610 --> 00:17:21,470

dust where we've got to look into this a

390

00:17:27,190 --> 00:17:24,620

little bit more okay so after this rock

391

00:17:28,960 --> 00:17:27,200

we kind of told the science team that

392

00:17:31,840 --> 00:17:28,970

they were free to start choosing some

393

00:17:34,180 --> 00:17:31,850

targets and they went and selected the

394

00:17:37,150 --> 00:17:34,190

Goulburn scour this is the area where

395

00:17:38,710 --> 00:17:37,160

the rover's or the sky cranes thrusters

396

00:17:40,570 --> 00:17:38,720

actually sort of dug in a little bit

397

00:17:43,090 --> 00:17:40,580

with the blast

398

00:17:45,190 --> 00:17:43,100

and they uncovered a small rock outcrop

399

00:17:47,470 --> 00:17:45,200

which is of interest because of the way

400

00:17:49,419 --> 00:17:47,480

it looks it looks as if may have some

401  
00:17:51,130 --> 00:17:49,429  
some of the layers in it and it's

402  
00:17:55,810 --> 00:17:51,140  
bedrock so if we can go to the next

403  
00:17:59,409 --> 00:17:55,820  
image umm so the this image shows a mast

404  
00:18:01,990 --> 00:17:59,419  
cam a 34 image in the center and it is

405  
00:18:05,970 --> 00:18:02,000  
labeled with the locations of the remote

406  
00:18:08,680 --> 00:18:05,980  
micro imager that's chem cams imager

407  
00:18:10,240 --> 00:18:08,690  
pictures that were taken pictures one

408  
00:18:13,149 --> 00:18:10,250  
through six these are the little round

409  
00:18:15,279 --> 00:18:13,159  
images that show high resolution and so

410  
00:18:18,909 --> 00:18:15,289  
we targeted this for both imaging and we

411  
00:18:21,669 --> 00:18:18,919  
targeted Goulburn locations two three

412  
00:18:24,669 --> 00:18:21,679  
and four for the laser as well and so we

413  
00:18:28,690 --> 00:18:24,679

shot the laser at the center of these of

414

00:18:31,149 --> 00:18:28,700

these images and so the the results we

415

00:18:33,940 --> 00:18:31,159

got there are pretty consistent with

416

00:18:36,580 --> 00:18:33,950

what we saw on coronation the coronation

417

00:18:39,789 --> 00:18:36,590

results really look like a basaltic

418

00:18:41,950 --> 00:18:39,799

composition and so that's not too

419

00:18:43,659 --> 00:18:41,960

surprising for the surface of Mars we

420

00:18:47,860 --> 00:18:43,669

know that basalt is the major igneous

421

00:18:49,690 --> 00:18:47,870

rock on Mars the fact that goulburn

422

00:18:52,419 --> 00:18:49,700

which looks a little bit sedimentary

423

00:18:54,490 --> 00:18:52,429

shows a basaltic composition is also not

424

00:18:56,950 --> 00:18:54,500

too surprising because when we look at

425

00:18:58,860 --> 00:18:56,960

this close up with our mi the remote

426

00:19:01,690 --> 00:18:58,870

micro imager we see that there are

427

00:19:03,970 --> 00:19:01,700

clasts or rock fragments that look like

428

00:19:06,340 --> 00:19:03,980

they were probably basaltic as well and

429

00:19:08,620 --> 00:19:06,350

so if this is a sedimentary rock and

430

00:19:11,409 --> 00:19:08,630

incorporated and loosely cemented some

431

00:19:13,240 --> 00:19:11,419

of these basaltic rock fragments some of

432

00:19:15,759 --> 00:19:13,250

them are our angular so they looked like

433

00:19:18,279 --> 00:19:15,769

they didn't get much altered and some of

434

00:19:21,220 --> 00:19:18,289

them are a little bit more rounded so

435

00:19:23,529 --> 00:19:21,230

that's kind of the story we've also shot

436

00:19:25,779 --> 00:19:23,539

a couple of other rocks one of them did

437

00:19:27,850 --> 00:19:25,789

give a different composition but it's

438

00:19:29,799 --> 00:19:27,860

still consistent with an igneous rock it

439

00:19:33,879 --> 00:19:29,809

looks like we hit more of a mineral

440

00:19:35,680 --> 00:19:33,889

grain potentially plagioclase but it's

441

00:19:37,629 --> 00:19:35,690

still consistent with a basaltic

442

00:19:39,700 --> 00:19:37,639

composition but because of the small

443

00:19:41,710 --> 00:19:39,710

spots that chemcam can shoot we can get

444

00:19:43,960 --> 00:19:41,720

single mineral grains if that's a larger

445

00:19:46,990 --> 00:19:43,970

grained rock what we'll need to do is

446

00:19:49,659 --> 00:19:47,000

move towards doing rasters and in line

447

00:19:51,879 --> 00:19:49,669

scans so we get more analysis spots on

448

00:19:53,409 --> 00:19:51,889

single rocks so we can really tell so

449

00:19:54,220 --> 00:19:53,419

we're still working on checking some of

450

00:19:56,260 --> 00:19:54,230

those things out

451  
00:19:59,710 --> 00:19:56,270  
so I'm just going to show up a final

452  
00:20:03,010 --> 00:19:59,720  
image which is actually the Goulburn

453  
00:20:04,960 --> 00:20:03,020  
number three and this is a an animation

454  
00:20:07,810 --> 00:20:04,970  
to just cuts between a before-and-after

455  
00:20:10,510 --> 00:20:07,820  
image that we shot that we took with

456  
00:20:12,039 --> 00:20:10,520  
with the micro imager showing what the

457  
00:20:14,320 --> 00:20:12,049  
rock looks like just before and just

458  
00:20:16,270 --> 00:20:14,330  
after shooting with the laser and so you

459  
00:20:19,240 --> 00:20:16,280  
can see how we can see where the laser

460  
00:20:20,320 --> 00:20:19,250  
shot so there you have it and we're

461  
00:20:23,260 --> 00:20:20,330  
going to be looking forward to doing

462  
00:20:25,060 --> 00:20:23,270  
more lots more science with the chemcam

463  
00:20:27,430 --> 00:20:25,070

instrument but we're excited that it's

464

00:20:28,840 --> 00:20:27,440

looking great so far so I'll turn it

465

00:20:30,640 --> 00:20:28,850

over to joy crisp who's going to talk

466

00:20:33,250 --> 00:20:30,650

more about the overall science status of

467

00:20:34,840 --> 00:20:33,260

the mission thank you so I'm going to go

468

00:20:37,750 --> 00:20:34,850

over some more specifics about what

469

00:20:41,049 --> 00:20:37,760

we've done for science and what's coming

470

00:20:43,870 --> 00:20:41,059

in our science plans the engineering

471

00:20:45,700 --> 00:20:43,880

cameras are now fully checked out and

472

00:20:49,090 --> 00:20:45,710

being used to measure atmospheric dust

473

00:20:51,880 --> 00:20:49,100

winds and clouds we've taken color

474

00:20:54,430 --> 00:20:51,890

images from Mali and mask am we've also

475

00:20:57,909 --> 00:20:54,440

performed thorough check outs on 8 of

476  
00:21:00,400 --> 00:20:57,919  
our 10 scientific instruments as we've

477  
00:21:03,610 --> 00:21:00,410  
described in previous press briefings

478  
00:21:06,100 --> 00:21:03,620  
the the rad radiation monitor the REMS

479  
00:21:08,110 --> 00:21:06,110  
weather station that Dan neutron

480  
00:21:11,049 --> 00:21:08,120  
subsurface sounder and chemcam laser

481  
00:21:14,020 --> 00:21:11,059  
spectrometer and imager are already

482  
00:21:15,730 --> 00:21:14,030  
taking scientific measurements the Dan

483  
00:21:17,919 --> 00:21:15,740  
team is busy assessing their first

484  
00:21:20,650 --> 00:21:17,929  
active measurement that they reported in

485  
00:21:22,539 --> 00:21:20,660  
the previous press conference chemcam

486  
00:21:24,850 --> 00:21:22,549  
team is poring over their data as you

487  
00:21:27,789 --> 00:21:24,860  
heard from Roger and we've got several

488  
00:21:30,520 --> 00:21:27,799

days of all day all night weather

489

00:21:32,560 --> 00:21:30,530

readings we're studying and we've

490

00:21:34,900 --> 00:21:32,570

partially checked out the remaining two

491

00:21:39,130 --> 00:21:34,910

instruments our analytical laboratories

492

00:21:42,070 --> 00:21:39,140

Sam and chemin so we're about to go into

493

00:21:45,250 --> 00:21:42,080

this intermission period which we have

494

00:21:48,310 --> 00:21:45,260

three major activities going on in this

495

00:21:50,919 --> 00:21:48,320

period so we'll have two separate days

496

00:21:54,220 --> 00:21:50,929

where we do some Sam atmospheric

497

00:21:56,970 --> 00:21:54,230

checkouts and first time we do that that

498

00:21:59,919 --> 00:21:56,980

will be the first turn on of Sam's pumps

499

00:22:02,649 --> 00:21:59,929

quadrupole mass spectrometer and tunable

500

00:22:06,430 --> 00:22:02,659

laser spectrometer will be very exciting

501  
00:22:06,630 --> 00:22:06,440  
we will have a campaign to do some of

502  
00:22:09,900 --> 00:22:06,640  
the

503  
00:22:12,990 --> 00:22:09,910  
advanced capabilities of mastcam like

504  
00:22:16,440 --> 00:22:13,000  
the precise focusing over the range that

505  
00:22:20,340 --> 00:22:16,450  
that it can focus on taking long-range

506  
00:22:22,860 --> 00:22:20,350  
3d images by positioning the rover at

507  
00:22:26,280 --> 00:22:22,870  
different parking spots and using those

508  
00:22:28,800 --> 00:22:26,290  
spots like different I positions to get

509  
00:22:31,920 --> 00:22:28,810  
the 3d range information and check that

510  
00:22:34,380 --> 00:22:31,930  
out and and then also thirdly the

511  
00:22:36,510 --> 00:22:34,390  
chemcam laser spectrometer we're going

512  
00:22:38,580 --> 00:22:36,520  
to do some more characterization of that

513  
00:22:40,440 --> 00:22:38,590

to understand how well the optics are

514

00:22:44,400 --> 00:22:40,450

aligned and how sensitive the

515

00:22:46,470 --> 00:22:44,410

spectrometer is so after the

516

00:22:49,620 --> 00:22:46,480

intermission then we're currently

517

00:22:52,170 --> 00:22:49,630

planning to drive towards glenelg which

518

00:22:53,850 --> 00:22:52,180

is 400 meters to the east that's the

519

00:22:55,980 --> 00:22:53,860

triple Junction that we've shown

520

00:23:00,930 --> 00:22:55,990

pictures of before and we're thinking of

521

00:23:03,990 --> 00:23:00,940

spending a few more days before we start

522

00:23:07,710 --> 00:23:04,000

driving towards that examining the

523

00:23:12,330 --> 00:23:07,720

scours these scours from the sky crane

524

00:23:16,980 --> 00:23:12,340

thrusters using mass cam cam cam and Dan

525

00:23:19,590 --> 00:23:16,990

okay now on the way to glenelg we'd like

526

00:23:23,010 --> 00:23:19,600

to stop as soon as we encounter

527

00:23:25,800 --> 00:23:23,020

scoopable fine material to get going

528

00:23:28,850 --> 00:23:25,810

testing out the sample handling system

529

00:23:32,460 --> 00:23:28,860

and getting sample into Sam and chemin

530

00:23:35,070 --> 00:23:32,470

the first material would be scoopable

531

00:23:37,500 --> 00:23:35,080

finer and we would be trying to clean

532

00:23:40,200 --> 00:23:37,510

out that sample acquisition the scoop

533

00:23:42,510 --> 00:23:40,210

and sample handling system by doing that

534

00:23:44,820 --> 00:23:42,520

several times just tossing it out on the

535

00:23:49,800 --> 00:23:44,830

ground and then taking a sample to put

536

00:23:51,840 --> 00:23:49,810

into Sam and Kim in we might uh likely

537

00:23:54,840 --> 00:23:51,850

hold off on doing our first contact

538

00:23:57,810 --> 00:23:54,850

science with apxs and Molly until we get

539

00:23:59,580 --> 00:23:57,820

to that that area but that is to be

540

00:24:02,160 --> 00:23:59,590

determined we may encounter something

541

00:24:06,240 --> 00:24:02,170

that we want to do that on before we get

542

00:24:11,190 --> 00:24:06,250

there this stop at the scoopable finds

543

00:24:13,350 --> 00:24:11,200

is likely to take a few weeks but so all

544

00:24:16,290 --> 00:24:13,360

of this is it's still fairly uncertain

545

00:24:18,900 --> 00:24:16,300

in terms of the timing when we finally

546

00:24:20,659 --> 00:24:18,910

get to glenelg after doing that we want

547

00:24:23,269 --> 00:24:20,669

to study the outcrop there

548

00:24:25,779 --> 00:24:23,279

and take a look at the contacts between

549

00:24:28,789 --> 00:24:25,789

the three different terrain types and

550

00:24:31,690 --> 00:24:28,799

maybe there is where we would decide to

551  
00:24:35,389 --> 00:24:31,700  
do our first drilling into rock and

552  
00:24:37,549 --> 00:24:35,399  
after glenelg we head for Mount sharp

553  
00:24:41,119 --> 00:24:37,559  
and that will be a much longer drive

554  
00:24:45,229 --> 00:24:41,129  
with probably some few brief stops along

555  
00:24:47,720 --> 00:24:45,239  
the way and that that's going to take

556  
00:24:50,840 --> 00:24:47,730  
several months before we get to that

557  
00:24:53,570 --> 00:24:50,850  
point that's pretty much sums up what

558  
00:24:56,060 --> 00:24:53,580  
we've done what we're doing we really

559  
00:24:58,430 --> 00:24:56,070  
are ramping up from having the initial

560  
00:25:00,499 --> 00:24:58,440  
checkouts under our belt and now we're

561  
00:25:02,779 --> 00:25:00,509  
doing very complicated activity plans

562  
00:25:05,060 --> 00:25:02,789  
each day and working hard on these

563  
00:25:06,649 --> 00:25:05,070

strategic plans what the order of

564

00:25:09,049 --> 00:25:06,659

activity should be and how long

565

00:25:12,739 --> 00:25:09,059

everything's going to take so I'll hand

566

00:25:16,220 --> 00:25:12,749

it back to rosemary for QA okay thank

567

00:25:18,200 --> 00:25:16,230

you joy I like to start with a couple of

568

00:25:20,210 --> 00:25:18,210

questions here in the auditorium at JPL

569

00:25:22,159 --> 00:25:20,220

we do have some reporters on the line so

570

00:25:24,289 --> 00:25:22,169

we will get to those as well if you have

571

00:25:27,259 --> 00:25:24,299

a question please raise your hand high

572

00:25:29,840 --> 00:25:27,269

and wait for the mic to get to you and

573

00:25:32,749 --> 00:25:29,850

then identify yourself your name and

574

00:25:34,820 --> 00:25:32,759

your affiliation so do we have a

575

00:25:38,359 --> 00:25:34,830

question yeah let's go in the third row

576

00:25:41,269 --> 00:25:38,369

right here yes Steve Federman from CBS

577

00:25:44,450 --> 00:25:41,279

Pete and matt i guess or anyone wants a

578

00:25:46,999 --> 00:25:44,460

chip comment how significant is this

579

00:25:51,259 --> 00:25:47,009

landmark moment the first drive as short

580

00:25:53,119 --> 00:25:51,269

as it might have been um they couldn't

581

00:25:55,970 --> 00:25:53,129

be more important I mean we build a

582

00:25:58,039 --> 00:25:55,980

rover so unless the rover rose we really

583

00:26:00,080 --> 00:25:58,049

haven't accomplished anything and and so

584

00:26:02,769 --> 00:26:00,090

yes tremendous and and the fact that we

585

00:26:05,419 --> 00:26:02,779

were completely exercised it in

586

00:26:08,659 --> 00:26:05,429

everything was on track is a big moment

587

00:26:10,999 --> 00:26:08,669

very big moment yeah I mean we've got an

588

00:26:13,190 --> 00:26:11,009

amazing team that built this very

589

00:26:14,180 --> 00:26:13,200

capable Rover we had a lot of confidence

590

00:26:15,289 --> 00:26:14,190

that it was going to work but you're

591

00:26:17,659 --> 00:26:15,299

always a little nervous until you get

592

00:26:20,210 --> 00:26:17,669

the data so seeing that you know

593

00:26:21,289 --> 00:26:20,220

everything was nominal as Pete said all

594

00:26:23,989 --> 00:26:21,299

the steer actuators all the drive

595

00:26:25,489 --> 00:26:23,999

actuators work all the instruments you

596

00:26:27,190 --> 00:26:25,499

know the inertial measurement unit that

597

00:26:29,690 --> 00:26:27,200

tells us how we're returning all works

598

00:26:31,489 --> 00:26:29,700

we can now kind of focus on moving to

599

00:26:32,779 --> 00:26:31,499

checking out higher level behaviors for

600

00:26:33,500 --> 00:26:32,789

the rover which will allow us to drive

601  
00:26:35,300 --> 00:26:33,510  
further every day

602  
00:26:37,790 --> 00:26:35,310  
a allow us to do kind of autonomous

603  
00:26:39,020 --> 00:26:37,800  
terrain assessment visual odometry to

604  
00:26:42,080 --> 00:26:39,030  
more accurately track where the river

605  
00:26:43,730 --> 00:26:42,090  
goes so we're on pace to having this

606  
00:26:45,860 --> 00:26:43,740  
amazingly capable rover that can

607  
00:26:48,170 --> 00:26:45,870  
traverse over to the base of Mount sharp

608  
00:26:50,750 --> 00:26:48,180  
if I'd like to have just one of the

609  
00:26:52,970 --> 00:26:50,760  
thing as as you know in the past when

610  
00:26:54,500 --> 00:26:52,980  
the project got into difficulty one of

611  
00:26:55,910 --> 00:26:54,510  
the principal double melodies

612  
00:26:58,250 --> 00:26:55,920  
developmental issues we were working

613  
00:27:01,280 --> 00:26:58,260

with with the actuators and I think we

614

00:27:03,680 --> 00:27:01,290

need to recognize the actuator aeroflex

615

00:27:06,020 --> 00:27:03,690

actuator supplier and the actuator team

616

00:27:08,300 --> 00:27:06,030

here at JPL for what has been perfect

617

00:27:10,250 --> 00:27:08,310

performance so far on Mars and it's not

618

00:27:13,670 --> 00:27:10,260

just the drive it's also the arm and the

619

00:27:15,770 --> 00:27:13,680

mast and and the high-gain antenna so so

620

00:27:17,720 --> 00:27:15,780

far they've been just perfect over what

621

00:27:19,040 --> 00:27:17,730

is a very demanding environment so those

622

00:27:21,950 --> 00:27:19,050

that take those people things we

623

00:27:24,890 --> 00:27:21,960

congratulated for that okay do we have

624

00:27:28,010 --> 00:27:24,900

another question here at JPL if so raise

625

00:27:30,140 --> 00:27:28,020

your hand let's go to the phones then we

626

00:27:31,670 --> 00:27:30,150

can always jump back here the first

627

00:27:34,790 --> 00:27:31,680

question on the phone will come from

628

00:27:37,070 --> 00:27:34,800

Eric hand at nature go ahead Eric hi

629

00:27:40,940 --> 00:27:37,080

thanks yeah my questions for joy crisp

630

00:27:44,660 --> 00:27:40,950

hi joy if you could give me a more

631

00:27:48,590 --> 00:27:44,670

specific timeline for the intermission

632

00:27:50,180 --> 00:27:48,600

when I guess in terms of the specifics

633

00:27:52,580 --> 00:27:50,190

all in which the activity would happen

634

00:27:56,870 --> 00:27:52,590

can you say when intermission would

635

00:28:00,320 --> 00:27:56,880

begin when the Sam first Sam atmospheric

636

00:28:05,780 --> 00:28:00,330

study would happen and then when you

637

00:28:07,670 --> 00:28:05,790

might begin the drive take Leonard well

638

00:28:12,020 --> 00:28:07,680

all I can say is we're beginning it

639

00:28:14,720 --> 00:28:12,030

tomorrow and it will span several days

640

00:28:17,980 --> 00:28:14,730

and we can't know exactly what days

641

00:28:20,360 --> 00:28:17,990

we're going to do each thing I believe

642

00:28:24,350 --> 00:28:20,370

that we're going to be trying to do the

643

00:28:26,750 --> 00:28:24,360

first Sam atmospheric tests on Saul 18

644

00:28:29,150 --> 00:28:26,760

but these things are subject to change

645

00:28:34,070 --> 00:28:29,160

as we do the planning things can change

646

00:28:36,020 --> 00:28:34,080

the order in which we do things so the

647

00:28:39,720 --> 00:28:36,030

best answer I can give you is in a

648

00:28:42,450 --> 00:28:39,730

period of a few days

649

00:28:44,990 --> 00:28:42,460

and and like on the order of a week is

650

00:28:49,890 --> 00:28:45,000

what that intermission will will last

651  
00:28:51,720 --> 00:28:49,900  
and that's the best I can do so on the

652  
00:28:54,090 --> 00:28:51,730  
order of a week later you might begin

653  
00:28:57,570 --> 00:28:54,100  
the drive to Leonard on that order and

654  
00:29:00,330 --> 00:28:57,580  
as a quick follow-up how quickly do you

655  
00:29:02,070 --> 00:29:00,340  
think you might be able to have a trace

656  
00:29:04,860 --> 00:29:02,080  
gas result from Sam is that's something

657  
00:29:08,580 --> 00:29:04,870  
you'll you'll be able to to know in a

658  
00:29:10,890 --> 00:29:08,590  
day or two the the first atmospheric

659  
00:29:13,950 --> 00:29:10,900  
measurements done by Sam are really

660  
00:29:16,950 --> 00:29:13,960  
check out not so much meant to be

661  
00:29:20,130 --> 00:29:16,960  
definitive measurements so they really

662  
00:29:25,020 --> 00:29:20,140  
need to to they're not optimized yet for

663  
00:29:27,210 --> 00:29:25,030

making good measurements and so you'll

664

00:29:29,010 --> 00:29:27,220

just have to stay tuned for for what

665

00:29:31,020 --> 00:29:29,020

they can say about those measurements

666

00:29:33,450 --> 00:29:31,030

but really they're meant for just the

667

00:29:36,780 --> 00:29:33,460

first checkouts very first one is very

668

00:29:38,460 --> 00:29:36,790

short integration time they they will

669

00:29:41,610 --> 00:29:38,470

learn from those how to set up the

670

00:29:44,730 --> 00:29:41,620

measurements for a very good careful

671

00:29:47,310 --> 00:29:44,740

analysis so it's not possible that you

672

00:29:50,730 --> 00:29:47,320

could maybe see signs of methane in this

673

00:29:54,030 --> 00:29:50,740

first check out I I will leave that to

674

00:29:56,730 --> 00:29:54,040

the San  $\pi/2$  report after he sees his

675

00:29:59,310 --> 00:29:56,740

measurements but for now it's it's being

676

00:30:02,520 --> 00:29:59,320

it's it's really meant to be a check out

677

00:30:04,200 --> 00:30:02,530

okay thank you okay we're going to take

678

00:30:07,200 --> 00:30:04,210

another question by phone from the LA

679

00:30:08,550 --> 00:30:07,210

Times Amina kaun hai I think we're

680

00:30:09,630 --> 00:30:08,560

taking my question I just wanted to see

681

00:30:12,810 --> 00:30:09,640

if you could talk a little bit more

682

00:30:14,250 --> 00:30:12,820

about glenelg and the three types of

683

00:30:17,100 --> 00:30:14,260

terrain there you know what do they look

684

00:30:18,600 --> 00:30:17,110

like is it just that layered bedrock

685

00:30:20,040 --> 00:30:18,610

that you guys are looking to drill and

686

00:30:21,660 --> 00:30:20,050

you know before you get there is there

687

00:30:26,250 --> 00:30:21,670

any sort of sense of what the story is

688

00:30:28,620 --> 00:30:26,260

geologically there we have seen very

689

00:30:31,430 --> 00:30:28,630

many interesting cartoons by the science

690

00:30:35,480 --> 00:30:31,440

team trying to look at different

691

00:30:39,630 --> 00:30:35,490

possibilities for what the geologic

692

00:30:43,110 --> 00:30:39,640

situation is there and so they're really

693

00:30:45,590 --> 00:30:43,120

in the hypothesis stage and it's too

694

00:30:49,620 --> 00:30:45,600

early to say what we can see is

695

00:30:51,450 --> 00:30:49,630

different textures to these terrains in

696

00:30:55,049 --> 00:30:51,460

terms of cratering and

697

00:30:58,169 --> 00:30:55,059

looks to them they're albedo's it's it's

698

00:31:01,169 --> 00:30:58,179

it's nearby and it looks like we should

699

00:31:03,570 --> 00:31:01,179

be able to encounter bedrock there so

700

00:31:05,940 --> 00:31:03,580

the that's that's a really good reason

701  
00:31:09,690 --> 00:31:05,950  
for going there is is to be able to

702  
00:31:12,120 --> 00:31:09,700  
examine three different materials that

703  
00:31:16,380 --> 00:31:12,130  
are in place that look like we could

704  
00:31:20,070 --> 00:31:16,390  
sample rock not much more I can say

705  
00:31:21,870 --> 00:31:20,080  
about it at this point but that it does

706  
00:31:26,899 --> 00:31:21,880  
look intriguing I don't know if anybody

707  
00:31:31,620 --> 00:31:29,070  
okay well then let's take our next

708  
00:31:34,830 --> 00:31:31,630  
question again by phone that's Irene

709  
00:31:37,710 --> 00:31:34,840  
Klotz from Reuters hi thanks very much

710  
00:31:39,960 --> 00:31:37,720  
ever just one quick follow-up about the

711  
00:31:43,110 --> 00:31:39,970  
drive just wanted to know if indeed it

712  
00:31:46,049 --> 00:31:43,120  
took 30 minutes as we were told

713  
00:31:48,330 --> 00:31:46,059

yesterday that that would be the likely

714

00:31:51,779 --> 00:31:48,340

duration of it and then I have a couple

715

00:31:54,659 --> 00:31:51,789

questions about cam cam thanks so the

716

00:31:58,139 --> 00:31:54,669

drive started local solar time at 1332

717

00:32:00,840 --> 00:31:58,149

which was 717 am here pacific daylight

718

00:32:03,330 --> 00:32:00,850

time and with all the imaging it took

719

00:32:06,419 --> 00:32:03,340

roughly 16 minutes and the majority of

720

00:32:08,490 --> 00:32:06,429

that time is spent taking the images the

721

00:32:14,159 --> 00:32:08,500

rover actually probably only drove for

722

00:32:17,370 --> 00:32:14,169

45 minutes of that motion and that for

723

00:32:18,960 --> 00:32:17,380

Roger the one of the things I think you

724

00:32:21,240 --> 00:32:18,970

all have talked about earlier with chem

725

00:32:24,990 --> 00:32:21,250

can as you are curious if you were going

726

00:32:27,419 --> 00:32:25,000

to see different spectra as you as you

727

00:32:29,720 --> 00:32:27,429

pulse deeper into the rock and was

728

00:32:33,019 --> 00:32:29,730

wondering if you did see any composition

729

00:32:34,769 --> 00:32:33,029

changes and then I think I might have

730

00:32:36,870 --> 00:32:34,779

wasn't sure about this but his

731

00:32:38,460 --> 00:32:36,880

coronation actually at the Goulburn

732

00:32:42,120 --> 00:32:38,470

scour or was that in a different

733

00:32:43,830 --> 00:32:42,130

location thanks um no I'll answer your

734

00:32:46,560 --> 00:32:43,840

first question or your last question

735

00:32:50,130 --> 00:32:46,570

first coronation was not a part of the

736

00:32:52,440 --> 00:32:50,140

Goulburn scour it was just sort of ahead

737

00:32:54,180 --> 00:32:52,450

of and a little bit to the right of the

738

00:32:56,669 --> 00:32:54,190

rover where it was sitting when it

739

00:32:59,879 --> 00:32:56,679

landed the Goulburn scour was off to the

740

00:33:02,010 --> 00:32:59,889

left and so if you look back at image at

741

00:33:04,440 --> 00:33:02,020

the image of coronation you'll actually

742

00:33:05,790 --> 00:33:04,450

see the rover's shadow in it

743

00:33:09,540 --> 00:33:05,800

and that's sort of looking to the

744

00:33:11,850 --> 00:33:09,550

forward side of the rover so let's see

745

00:33:13,680 --> 00:33:11,860

the other was about asking whether we

746

00:33:16,680 --> 00:33:13,690

were seeing differences in the spectra

747

00:33:19,740 --> 00:33:16,690

as we as we dug down into the rock so

748

00:33:23,130 --> 00:33:19,750

the the little inset of the spectrum did

749

00:33:25,530 --> 00:33:23,140

show the hydrogen at the very surface so

750

00:33:27,570 --> 00:33:25,540

of course the surface is one thing we

751

00:33:31,620 --> 00:33:27,580

were interested in and we'll be looking

752

00:33:33,300 --> 00:33:31,630

into that further there there was a hint

753

00:33:36,120 --> 00:33:33,310

of some other variations and one other

754

00:33:38,430 --> 00:33:36,130

measurement we made but this can be say

755

00:33:40,620 --> 00:33:38,440

a transition between looking at one

756

00:33:43,860 --> 00:33:40,630

mineral grain to another so we have to

757

00:33:46,500 --> 00:33:43,870

look at that a little bit more okay

758

00:33:48,180 --> 00:33:46,510

before we before we go back to another

759

00:33:50,730 --> 00:33:48,190

phone question just want to make sure

760

00:33:52,620 --> 00:33:50,740

anybody reporters here at JPL who have a

761

00:33:54,420 --> 00:33:52,630

question just go ahead and raise your

762

00:33:56,040 --> 00:33:54,430

hand and we will get to you but in the

763

00:33:59,580 --> 00:33:56,050

meantime let's take a phone question

764

00:34:01,380 --> 00:33:59,590

from Leo and right at Irish TV thanks

765

00:34:03,720 --> 00:34:01,390

very much Jane there just a quick

766

00:34:06,450 --> 00:34:03,730

question about coronation and the

767

00:34:08,910 --> 00:34:06,460

spectra you said that is it a basaltic

768

00:34:12,150 --> 00:34:08,920

composition so I mean what do you say

769

00:34:15,240 --> 00:34:12,160

you think this is Bassel Jim but not as

770

00:34:17,040 --> 00:34:15,250

we know it or is this the standard bath

771

00:34:18,930 --> 00:34:17,050

salt and can you make any comparison

772

00:34:21,240 --> 00:34:18,940

with you know where on earth you might

773

00:34:23,250 --> 00:34:21,250

find similar bath salts given that you

774

00:34:26,550 --> 00:34:23,260

seem to know so much about this already

775

00:34:29,580 --> 00:34:26,560

thanks to this instrument yeah thanks

776

00:34:34,470 --> 00:34:29,590

we're still working on the calibrations

777

00:34:36,720 --> 00:34:34,480

in a big way yet on on cam cam we have a

778

00:34:38,160 --> 00:34:36,730

number of different types of calibration

779

00:34:41,900 --> 00:34:38,170

we have to do first of all wavelength

780

00:34:44,670 --> 00:34:41,910

calibration this is much this this

781

00:34:46,320 --> 00:34:44,680

spectrometer has much higher sensitivity

782

00:34:48,900 --> 00:34:46,330

to the wavelength than anything that

783

00:34:50,820 --> 00:34:48,910

we've we've used in this spectral region

784

00:34:53,370 --> 00:34:50,830

before and so we're working to make sure

785

00:34:55,290 --> 00:34:53,380

that that is characterized I mean the

786

00:34:57,240 --> 00:34:55,300

wavelength shifts just a little bit when

787

00:34:59,190 --> 00:34:57,250

when the rover changes temperature just

788

00:35:02,130 --> 00:34:59,200

slightly during a day and so we're

789

00:35:04,950 --> 00:35:02,140

working on that we also have a spectral

790

00:35:06,860 --> 00:35:04,960

library that we built up back here

791

00:35:09,900 --> 00:35:06,870

before we sent the instrument off and

792

00:35:11,180 --> 00:35:09,910

and so we have those to compare with but

793

00:35:14,190 --> 00:35:11,190

right now all we're doing is looking

794

00:35:16,790 --> 00:35:14,200

qualitatively at that spectrum and sort

795

00:35:18,089 --> 00:35:16,800

of you know matching it up against a

796

00:35:20,039 --> 00:35:18,099

spectrum

797

00:35:21,719 --> 00:35:20,049

that we have from the laboratory and it

798

00:35:23,789 --> 00:35:21,729

just looks like some of the basalts

799

00:35:26,489 --> 00:35:23,799

we're going to get into the quantitative

800

00:35:29,370 --> 00:35:26,499

aspects in a little bit but I also want

801  
00:35:32,579 --> 00:35:29,380  
to say that that chemcam is is a bit

802  
00:35:34,979 --> 00:35:32,589  
less quantitative actually then then the

803  
00:35:37,440 --> 00:35:34,989  
apxs instrument on board for many

804  
00:35:40,380 --> 00:35:37,450  
elements and so we're also looking

805  
00:35:42,479 --> 00:35:40,390  
forward to when apxs gets deployed on

806  
00:35:44,460 --> 00:35:42,489  
the arm and when we can make some cross

807  
00:35:46,650 --> 00:35:44,470  
calibrations which will make us more

808  
00:35:48,450 --> 00:35:46,660  
certain of our of our compositions as

809  
00:35:51,779 --> 00:35:48,460  
well these two instruments really

810  
00:35:53,880 --> 00:35:51,789  
complement each other very well chemcam

811  
00:35:57,599 --> 00:35:53,890  
gets some elements very sensitively that

812  
00:35:59,519 --> 00:35:57,609  
apxs didn't does not an apxs tends to

813  
00:36:04,769 --> 00:35:59,529

have more accuracy overall than chemcam

814

00:36:06,120 --> 00:36:04,779

so it's a great duo to have our next

815

00:36:16,499 --> 00:36:06,130

question is going to come from ken

816

00:36:18,269 --> 00:36:16,509

kremer @ Space Flight magazine hello ken

817

00:36:21,989 --> 00:36:18,279

are you still there so you can go ahead

818

00:36:24,319 --> 00:36:21,999

and ask your question ok I guess yeah

819

00:36:26,940 --> 00:36:24,329

we'll come back to can if he reappears

820

00:36:29,299 --> 00:36:26,950

the next question is going to come from

821

00:36:34,049 --> 00:36:29,309

Robert Perlman at collectspace.com

822

00:36:38,579 --> 00:36:34,059

Robert you there I am looking at the

823

00:36:43,529 --> 00:36:38,589

track can you quantify how deep or how

824

00:36:45,509 --> 00:36:43,539

shallow the the track marks are and if

825

00:36:47,130 --> 00:36:45,519

for example if a good windstorm came by

826

00:36:48,479 --> 00:36:47,140

would they just be blown away or what

827

00:36:51,359 --> 00:36:48,489

does that tell you about the nature of

828

00:36:54,120 --> 00:36:51,369

the land that you landed on I have a

829

00:36:56,249 --> 00:36:54,130

follow I can answer maybe just how deep

830

00:36:58,380 --> 00:36:56,259

we sink so we've got the cleats which

831

00:37:01,049 --> 00:36:58,390

are about a centimeter or so tall and

832

00:37:02,549 --> 00:37:01,059

what happens is we dig into the terrain

833

00:37:03,989 --> 00:37:02,559

with the cleats and then the ground

834

00:37:05,880 --> 00:37:03,999

pressure is absorbed by the rest of the

835

00:37:07,709 --> 00:37:05,890

wheel and we don't see much sinkage

836

00:37:09,029 --> 00:37:07,719

beyond that where if you were driving on

837

00:37:11,670 --> 00:37:09,039

really soft sand you would see

838

00:37:13,829 --> 00:37:11,680

significantly more sinkage so we can

839

00:37:16,049 --> 00:37:13,839

tell just from the properties of looking

840

00:37:18,450 --> 00:37:16,059

at these tracks kind of how firm the

841

00:37:19,799 --> 00:37:18,460

soil is but I don't think I can

842

00:37:21,359 --> 00:37:19,809

necessarily answer a question about the

843

00:37:26,180 --> 00:37:21,369

dust and how they might get covered up

844

00:37:29,150 --> 00:37:26,190

maybe joy depend on what the winds do

845

00:37:30,530 --> 00:37:29,160

and whether there's fine material that

846

00:37:34,340 --> 00:37:30,540

will get deposited on these tracks or

847

00:37:36,980 --> 00:37:34,350

not i think if i'm not mistaken it's the

848

00:37:40,550 --> 00:37:36,990

tracks should be somewhat similar in

849

00:37:41,780 --> 00:37:40,560

depth to mur tracks so there still could

850

00:37:43,700 --> 00:37:41,790

be a difference in the material

851  
00:37:46,880 --> 00:37:43,710  
properties here but if you treat them as

852  
00:37:50,450 --> 00:37:46,890  
murder tracks then there were times it

853  
00:37:52,820 --> 00:37:50,460  
took a little when the tracks would get

854  
00:37:55,910 --> 00:37:52,830  
covered and doesn't start to disappear

855  
00:37:58,970 --> 00:37:55,920  
so I don't expect that this would happen

856  
00:38:01,310 --> 00:37:58,980  
rapidly but maybe after many months or

857  
00:38:05,900 --> 00:38:01,320  
years get harder and harder to see these

858  
00:38:08,450 --> 00:38:05,910  
tracks I think and just a quick

859  
00:38:12,010 --> 00:38:08,460  
follow-up with regards to Bradbury

860  
00:38:14,210 --> 00:38:12,020  
landing is it defined by the borders of

861  
00:38:15,980 --> 00:38:14,220  
curiosities wheels where it's set where

862  
00:38:18,530 --> 00:38:15,990  
it landed or it does it accomplish this

863  
00:38:20,900 --> 00:38:18,540

whole area where you're now even sitting

864

00:38:23,240 --> 00:38:20,910

now well we're actually thinking of

865

00:38:29,050 --> 00:38:23,250

using the the wheel marks as the corner

866

00:38:31,790 --> 00:38:29,060

posts for Bradbury landing a great thing

867

00:38:33,950 --> 00:38:31,800

i'm told that ken Kramer of spaceflight

868

00:38:36,830 --> 00:38:33,960

magazine has reappeared so go ahead Ken

869

00:38:39,530 --> 00:38:36,840

okay I here can you hear me I hope we

870

00:38:41,900 --> 00:38:39,540

didn't get disconnected again my

871

00:38:44,480 --> 00:38:41,910

question is for Roger Weems I wonder if

872

00:38:47,060 --> 00:38:44,490

you could talk about how many targets in

873

00:38:49,520 --> 00:38:47,070

a day can you can you analyze with with

874

00:38:51,380 --> 00:38:49,530

chemcam I understand it's 14,000 overall

875

00:38:55,100 --> 00:38:51,390

but almost wondering in a day how many

876

00:38:58,010 --> 00:38:55,110

can can you analyze yes that 14,000

877

00:38:59,960 --> 00:38:58,020

number can came from looking at the

878

00:39:02,090 --> 00:38:59,970

number of days or Sol's that were going

879

00:39:05,750 --> 00:39:02,100

to be on Mars in the nominal mission

880

00:39:08,570 --> 00:39:05,760

which is 700 some and and assuming that

881

00:39:11,810 --> 00:39:08,580

a maximum that we would possibly do

882

00:39:13,970 --> 00:39:11,820

would be 20 analyses per day and so

883

00:39:16,340 --> 00:39:13,980

that's how we came up with that now it's

884

00:39:18,860 --> 00:39:16,350

going to be a long time or it could be a

885

00:39:22,160 --> 00:39:18,870

while anyway before we are we get to do

886

00:39:24,260 --> 00:39:22,170

20 analyses in one day but if we arrive

887

00:39:26,750 --> 00:39:24,270

at a new site after driving some

888

00:39:29,570 --> 00:39:26,760

distance and you can imagine an outcrop

889

00:39:31,460 --> 00:39:29,580

in front of us we could perhaps target

890

00:39:34,940 --> 00:39:31,470

something close to that it really

891

00:39:36,740 --> 00:39:34,950

depends how how crafty and how skillful

892

00:39:39,240 --> 00:39:36,750

some of our uplink people get and

893

00:39:40,950 --> 00:39:39,250

devising these sequences

894

00:39:44,850 --> 00:39:40,960

and they're coming up to speed very

895

00:39:47,400 --> 00:39:44,860

nicely okay I was willing to act after

896

00:39:49,830 --> 00:39:47,410

you get the data how quickly are you

897

00:39:52,740 --> 00:39:49,840

able to analyze it and decide you know

898

00:39:55,170 --> 00:39:52,750

what what you're seeing yeah so the

899

00:39:58,830 --> 00:39:55,180

process once the once the information

900

00:40:01,920 --> 00:39:58,840

comes down we have a role called a

901  
00:40:05,520 --> 00:40:01,930  
payload downlink lead and so that person

902  
00:40:08,730 --> 00:40:05,530  
is responsible on our chemcam team for

903  
00:40:12,120 --> 00:40:08,740  
pulling the data over onto a computer

904  
00:40:14,640 --> 00:40:12,130  
and starting to first of all check out

905  
00:40:18,930 --> 00:40:14,650  
what files did we receive and then

906  
00:40:20,760 --> 00:40:18,940  
secondly are they looking okay and so we

907  
00:40:22,290 --> 00:40:20,770  
look at the images that we received and

908  
00:40:24,690 --> 00:40:22,300  
we look at the spectra that we received

909  
00:40:27,600 --> 00:40:24,700  
and we look at other things such as we

910  
00:40:29,280 --> 00:40:27,610  
usually usually take a non laser dark

911  
00:40:31,290 --> 00:40:29,290  
spectrum as well to subtract the

912  
00:40:34,470 --> 00:40:31,300  
background all of those things get

913  
00:40:37,320 --> 00:40:34,480

pulled together and then within within

914

00:40:41,220 --> 00:40:37,330

about a couple of hours they've usually

915

00:40:45,000 --> 00:40:41,230

gone through and catalogued what we've

916

00:40:46,650 --> 00:40:45,010

seen and we get ready to present that at

917

00:40:48,840 --> 00:40:46,660

a science kickoff meeting with in about

918

00:40:50,910 --> 00:40:48,850

two hours of the downlink and then we

919

00:40:54,420 --> 00:40:50,920

usually do more analysis after that but

920

00:40:56,670 --> 00:40:54,430

that's the initial thank you we're going

921

00:40:59,040 --> 00:40:56,680

to take a question now from space calm

922

00:41:02,190 --> 00:40:59,050

and mike wall and i see we do have a

923

00:41:03,900 --> 00:41:02,200

question after that from JPL go ahead

924

00:41:07,110 --> 00:41:03,910

Mike yeah oh yeah hi this one's probably

925

00:41:09,150 --> 00:41:07,120

for format do you guys have any idea I

926  
00:41:10,650 --> 00:41:09,160  
mean once you guys start start to

927  
00:41:12,870 --> 00:41:10,660  
actually drive made your first big

928  
00:41:14,130 --> 00:41:12,880  
drives I mean how how long are those

929  
00:41:18,750 --> 00:41:14,140  
first drive is going to be when you

930  
00:41:20,190 --> 00:41:18,760  
finally head out from from the yeah like

931  
00:41:22,380 --> 00:41:20,200  
the like sort of landing site where you

932  
00:41:24,300 --> 00:41:22,390  
are now and and like head toward your

933  
00:41:26,010 --> 00:41:24,310  
first big science target like there's

934  
00:41:28,110 --> 00:41:26,020  
going to be 10 to 20 meters like I've

935  
00:41:29,700 --> 00:41:28,120  
heard before you guys like have a little

936  
00:41:33,360 --> 00:41:29,710  
more confidence now that like maybe can

937  
00:41:35,130 --> 00:41:33,370  
mix them and a longer drive that's a

938  
00:41:37,620 --> 00:41:35,140

good question Mike so we'll start out

939

00:41:39,360 --> 00:41:37,630

with fairly modest drives in a 10 meter

940

00:41:40,620 --> 00:41:39,370

range and then as I mentioned before

941

00:41:43,200 --> 00:41:40,630

we're going to do a couple checkouts

942

00:41:45,330 --> 00:41:43,210

we're going to check out the autonomous

943

00:41:47,610 --> 00:41:45,340

ability of the rover to image obstacles

944

00:41:49,860 --> 00:41:47,620

and identify hazards so that it doesn't

945

00:41:51,240 --> 00:41:49,870

you know it keeps itself safe we'll

946

00:41:52,710 --> 00:41:51,250

check out visual odometry where the

947

00:41:53,100 --> 00:41:52,720

rover takes a couple of images and is

948

00:41:55,110 --> 00:41:53,110

able to

949

00:41:56,910 --> 00:41:55,120

how far it moves so we can see if we're

950

00:41:58,590 --> 00:41:56,920

slipping and abetting in the in the

951  
00:42:00,720 --> 00:41:58,600  
terrain and we're doing that on Mars

952  
00:42:02,550 --> 00:42:00,730  
because we've never done that image

953  
00:42:04,020 --> 00:42:02,560  
processing on board the software using

954  
00:42:05,280 --> 00:42:04,030  
images coming from Mars it's different

955  
00:42:06,270 --> 00:42:05,290  
lighting it's different terrain so we

956  
00:42:08,460 --> 00:42:06,280  
just want to make sure it's all working

957  
00:42:09,930 --> 00:42:08,470  
as we expect once we get that

958  
00:42:11,250 --> 00:42:09,940  
functionality checked out and we have

959  
00:42:13,320 --> 00:42:11,260  
confidence in it will start expanding

960  
00:42:16,980 --> 00:42:13,330  
the drive distances will go to 20 meters

961  
00:42:18,930 --> 00:42:16,990  
30 meters 40 meters and 40 meters is

962  
00:42:20,250 --> 00:42:18,940  
kind of the edge of our nav cam horizon

963  
00:42:22,710 --> 00:42:20,260

that we can see right now that's where

964

00:42:24,930 --> 00:42:22,720

we get good stereo data with these nav

965

00:42:26,880 --> 00:42:24,940

cams that we're taking and then as we

966

00:42:28,200 --> 00:42:26,890

continue to have more and more

967

00:42:29,430 --> 00:42:28,210

confidence in the system will extend

968

00:42:32,760 --> 00:42:29,440

those drives and will start driving

969

00:42:34,140 --> 00:42:32,770

beyond that nav cam horizon out 50 even

970

00:42:38,310 --> 00:42:34,150

up to a potentially hundred meters or so

971

00:42:40,980 --> 00:42:38,320

poor person we're going to jump back to

972

00:42:42,300 --> 00:42:40,990

JPL we have a question from women in the

973

00:42:45,690 --> 00:42:42,310

row there please state your name and

974

00:42:47,970 --> 00:42:45,700

affiliation Amy Johnson kcbs-tv I think

975

00:42:50,070 --> 00:42:47,980

my question is for Matt and looking at

976

00:42:51,900 --> 00:42:50,080

the screen here this photo I I can

977

00:42:53,670 --> 00:42:51,910

clearly make out the tracks but can you

978

00:42:56,700 --> 00:42:53,680

explain a little bit more about what

979

00:42:59,670 --> 00:42:56,710

we're actually seeing in this photo yes

980

00:43:01,260 --> 00:42:59,680

so this is a very historic photo there's

981

00:43:03,420 --> 00:43:01,270

only one place on Mars where you start

982

00:43:04,980 --> 00:43:03,430

your tracks and you can see exactly

983

00:43:07,260 --> 00:43:04,990

where we landed because you can see the

984

00:43:08,970 --> 00:43:07,270

tracks where we're starting and then to

985

00:43:11,040 --> 00:43:08,980

the right of the tracks you can see kind

986

00:43:13,290 --> 00:43:11,050

of two dark spots those are the scour

987

00:43:15,270 --> 00:43:13,300

marks form from the landing engines and

988

00:43:17,700 --> 00:43:15,280

then similar you see them symmetrically

989

00:43:19,350 --> 00:43:17,710

on the other side the two left marks and

990

00:43:21,360 --> 00:43:19,360

then you can see the tracks how we drive

991

00:43:23,460 --> 00:43:21,370

forward and then you can see roughly a

992

00:43:25,170 --> 00:43:23,470

circle which is where the rover did what

993

00:43:27,180 --> 00:43:25,180

we call its turn in place maneuver so it

994

00:43:30,210 --> 00:43:27,190

steered all of its wheels and then it

995

00:43:31,470 --> 00:43:30,220

performed a turn of 120 degrees pivoting

996

00:43:34,260 --> 00:43:31,480

about that point in the middle of that

997

00:43:35,700 --> 00:43:34,270

circle and then it backed up one of the

998

00:43:37,890 --> 00:43:35,710

other things that we can point out in

999

00:43:40,260 --> 00:43:37,900

here is that we see different patterns

1000

00:43:42,360 --> 00:43:40,270

in the wheels we have intentionally put

1001

00:43:44,070 --> 00:43:42,370

holes in the wheels to leave a unique

1002

00:43:46,470 --> 00:43:44,080

track on Mars that we can use for that

1003

00:43:47,940 --> 00:43:46,480

visual odometry where we can for in sand

1004

00:43:49,560 --> 00:43:47,950

dunes where we don't have lots of rock

1005

00:43:52,520 --> 00:43:49,570

features around us we can use those

1006

00:43:54,780 --> 00:43:52,530

patterns to to do our visual odometry

1007

00:43:56,760 --> 00:43:54,790

the other thing to note in here is

1008

00:43:59,190 --> 00:43:56,770

there's a small rock under where we

1009

00:44:00,750 --> 00:43:59,200

landed on the right rear wheel and when

1010

00:44:03,180 --> 00:44:00,760

we did our steer actuator check out we

1011

00:44:04,530 --> 00:44:03,190

saw some somewhat high currents and you

1012

00:44:06,120 --> 00:44:04,540

can actually see in the animation that

1013

00:44:06,480 --> 00:44:06,130

the bogie the suspension system at the

1014

00:44:08,400 --> 00:44:06,490

back of

1015

00:44:10,470 --> 00:44:08,410

Rover kind of tweaks out to the to the

1016

00:44:12,960 --> 00:44:10,480

right a little bit and we were able to

1017

00:44:15,390 --> 00:44:12,970

confirm that we were kind of on that

1018

00:44:17,250 --> 00:44:15,400

nine centimeter tall rock when we landed

1019

00:44:18,630 --> 00:44:17,260

down so this is great we're able to see

1020

00:44:20,100 --> 00:44:18,640

under the rover see exactly what we

1021

00:44:22,410 --> 00:44:20,110

landed on and kind of correlate that to

1022

00:44:25,500 --> 00:44:22,420

the engineering we data we got from the

1023

00:44:27,800 --> 00:44:25,510

Saul 15 steer actuator check out that

1024

00:44:30,750 --> 00:44:27,810

answer your question it did thank you

1025

00:44:33,630 --> 00:44:30,760

okay that oh it looks like we have what

1026  
00:44:35,220 --> 00:44:33,640  
time for one more question go ahead nice

1027  
00:44:39,090 --> 00:44:35,230  
ending question the you present of the

1028  
00:44:41,040 --> 00:44:39,100  
United States of lauded JPL and ms dr.

1029  
00:44:42,210 --> 00:44:41,050  
elachi the Governor of California is

1030  
00:44:44,220 --> 00:44:42,220  
going to be here today Michael if you

1031  
00:44:46,859 --> 00:44:44,230  
wouldn't mind everything seems to have

1032  
00:44:49,890 --> 00:44:46,869  
been working perfectly up till now it is

1033  
00:44:51,930 --> 00:44:49,900  
it seems to be textbook give us an

1034  
00:44:55,410 --> 00:44:51,940  
assessment several weeks into this now

1035  
00:44:57,060 --> 00:44:55,420  
as to how your team is working your soul

1036  
00:44:59,790 --> 00:44:57,070  
is a different day than the one that

1037  
00:45:01,050 --> 00:44:59,800  
we're used to and and what what the

1038  
00:45:03,000 --> 00:45:01,060

attitude is like now that you've

1039

00:45:05,580 --> 00:45:03,010

captured the nation's attention and the

1040

00:45:09,870 --> 00:45:05,590

imagination of so many with this with

1041

00:45:12,390 --> 00:45:09,880

this Rover the team is tremendously

1042

00:45:14,580 --> 00:45:12,400

excited everything's working there the

1043

00:45:16,070 --> 00:45:14,590

we've kind of gone through starting in

1044

00:45:18,570 --> 00:45:16,080

the middle of the night going through

1045

00:45:19,590 --> 00:45:18,580

daylight and and actually over the next

1046

00:45:21,900 --> 00:45:19,600

couple of weeks we're going to move back

1047

00:45:23,400 --> 00:45:21,910

to being on the night shift as you know

1048

00:45:27,330 --> 00:45:23,410

the difference between Earth Day and

1049

00:45:31,230 --> 00:45:27,340

marsall shifts out of you know from day

1050

00:45:35,340 --> 00:45:31,240

to day night but everything's working

1051

00:45:36,810 --> 00:45:35,350

the the hard part is kind of damn

1052

00:45:38,640 --> 00:45:36,820

purring the excitement a little bit so

1053

00:45:41,160 --> 00:45:38,650

that people get enough rest so that they

1054

00:45:44,550 --> 00:45:41,170

are in it for the long haul instead of

1055

00:45:46,349 --> 00:45:44,560

just just waiting anxiously for each

1056

00:45:49,470 --> 00:45:46,359

image to come down but it is fantastic

1057

00:45:52,680 --> 00:45:49,480

how well everything is working and so

1058

00:45:54,450 --> 00:45:52,690

everything that we've promised with with

1059

00:45:55,890 --> 00:45:54,460

this Rover going to Mars and going to

1060

00:45:58,200 --> 00:45:55,900

place where we think is interacted with

1061

00:45:59,849 --> 00:45:58,210

water I we have high hopes that this is

1062

00:46:01,880 --> 00:45:59,859

going to really prove out this region

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00:46:05,730 --> 00:46:01,890

and tell us whether or not it was ever

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00:46:07,800 --> 00:46:05,740

potentially habitable and I wouldn't be

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00:46:09,780 --> 00:46:07,810

doing my job if I didn't exercise a

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00:46:13,200 --> 00:46:09,790

little bit of caution here

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00:46:16,380 --> 00:46:13,210

ok we are 16 days into a two-year

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00:46:20,400 --> 00:46:16,390

mission ok we haven't put the grout the

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00:46:22,170 --> 00:46:20,410

arm on the ground yet ok there's a we

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00:46:24,140 --> 00:46:22,180

haven't exercised a sample gathering

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00:46:27,060 --> 00:46:24,150

capability which is a key key key

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00:46:29,340 --> 00:46:27,070

element of this Rover science mission so

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00:46:33,030 --> 00:46:29,350

as good as its gon and as wonderful as

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00:46:34,560 --> 00:46:33,040

it is you know we still only checked off

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00:46:39,180 --> 00:46:34,570

about two of the level one requirement

1076  
00:46:41,700 --> 00:46:39,190  
boxes launched on time land on Mars ok

1077  
00:46:43,890 --> 00:46:41,710  
and and we got a long way to go before

1078  
00:46:46,620 --> 00:46:43,900  
this mission reached its full its full

1079  
00:46:48,930 --> 00:46:46,630  
potential but but the fact we haven't

1080  
00:46:54,270 --> 00:46:48,940  
had any early problem is is in fact

1081  
00:46:57,720 --> 00:46:54,280  
fantastic but I just you know managing

1082  
00:46:59,520 --> 00:46:57,730  
expectations right you know and and we

1083  
00:47:02,040 --> 00:46:59,530  
got to keep doing this as the team has

1084  
00:47:04,380 --> 00:47:02,050  
been doing methodically properly

1085  
00:47:06,300 --> 00:47:04,390  
prudently so as not to get out of

1086  
00:47:10,320 --> 00:47:06,310  
ourselves and cause ourselves our own

1087  
00:47:12,750 --> 00:47:10,330  
headache so but as as Michael said so

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00:47:17,160 --> 00:47:12,760

far it's been wonderful science

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00:47:21,540 --> 00:47:17,170

engineering enthusiasm caution what more

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00:47:24,210 --> 00:47:21,550

we connect all right well that wraps up

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00:47:26,190 --> 00:47:24,220

the Q&A portion and thank you to our

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00:47:27,840 --> 00:47:26,200

panelists immediately after this we will

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00:47:29,580 --> 00:47:27,850

replay the visuals from the news

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00:47:32,780 --> 00:47:29,590

conference and remember a lot of

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00:47:38,550 --> 00:47:32,790

informations online and images 24-7 at

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00:47:42,090 --> 00:47:38,560

WWDC gov / MSL however in closing we do

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00:47:44,550 --> 00:47:42,100

have a short video clip from 2009 when

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00:47:46,590 --> 00:47:44,560

Ray Bradbury visited JPL and he was

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00:47:49,110 --> 00:47:46,600

right here in this von karman auditorium

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00:47:52,050 --> 00:47:49,120

he was here to congratulate the team on

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00:47:55,590 --> 00:47:52,060

the fifth anniversary of the twin Mars

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00:47:58,260 --> 00:47:55,600

rovers spirit and opportunity and some

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00:47:59,760 --> 00:47:58,270

of the rover drivers they were very

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00:48:02,490 --> 00:47:59,770

excited to meet him and wanted to

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00:48:05,400 --> 00:48:02,500

express their gratitude to him for

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00:48:07,740 --> 00:48:05,410

inspiring them so we have a very short

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00:48:12,100 --> 00:48:07,750

video remembrance of that day to share

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00:48:35,070 --> 00:48:18,240

you

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00:48:40,060 --> 00:48:37,630

having Ray Bradbury here was incredible

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00:48:42,370 --> 00:48:40,070

because in particular from Mars he

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00:48:45,550 --> 00:48:42,380

really has been one of the voices from

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00:48:48,370 --> 00:48:45,560

very very early on for going to Mars and

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00:48:51,190 --> 00:48:48,380

exploring Mars long before we knew how

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00:48:52,990 --> 00:48:51,200

to do it he was taking us there in our

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00:48:54,730 --> 00:48:53,000

minds he introduce you to some of the

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00:48:57,550 --> 00:48:54,740

other people to drive the rover with me

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00:49:00,400 --> 00:48:57,560

yes sir so our Rovers well just like

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00:49:04,360 --> 00:49:00,410

this when he came to the operations room

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00:49:07,330 --> 00:49:04,370

and we showed him that the model of the

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00:49:09,070 --> 00:49:07,340

rover and the the large-scale panoramic

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00:49:12,090 --> 00:49:09,080

pictures that we've taken the actual

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00:49:14,890 --> 00:49:12,100

photographs of the surface of the planet

1123

00:49:17,260 --> 00:49:14,900

it was like watching him experience it

1124

00:49:19,060 --> 00:49:17,270

as a child almost would experience it

1125

00:49:22,120 --> 00:49:19,070

just the wonderment he has never lost

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00:49:24,190 --> 00:49:22,130

that wonder for Mars that he's always

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00:49:25,750 --> 00:49:24,200

conveyed in his books there you go we're

1128

00:49:27,790 --> 00:49:25,760

getting a vit already we're gonna have

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00:49:29,980 --> 00:49:27,800

to hire you showing him how we control

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00:49:31,990 --> 00:49:29,990

the rover and using the simulator and

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00:49:33,880 --> 00:49:32,000

letting him we basically drive for

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00:49:36,310 --> 00:49:33,890

simulated over across the surface of the

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00:49:38,530 --> 00:49:36,320

planet and letting him see the reality

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00:49:40,990 --> 00:49:38,540

of that was very rewarding for us

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00:49:44,470 --> 00:49:41,000

because we could tell how how much it

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00:49:46,870 --> 00:49:44,480

meant to him to see this that once that

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00:49:50,320 --> 00:49:46,880

was only fiction that partly because of

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00:49:52,630 --> 00:49:50,330

his vision and his sharing that vision