



# OSIRIS-REX

ASTEROID SAMPLE COLLECTION RECAP

AND FIRST IMAGES

1  
00:06:32,400 --> 00:06:37,510  
we are ready

2  
00:06:40,950 --> 00:06:39,270  
so what i'll do is just give a quick

3  
00:06:43,430 --> 00:06:40,960  
countdown for you all

4  
00:06:45,270 --> 00:06:43,440  
um then i'll be snuffing the music okay

5  
00:06:47,590 --> 00:06:45,280  
so in three

6  
00:06:50,870 --> 00:06:48,629  
all right

7  
00:06:53,029 --> 00:06:50,880  
hello everyone i'm nancy neal jones from

8  
00:06:54,790 --> 00:06:53,039  
the office of communications at nasa

9  
00:06:56,629 --> 00:06:54,800  
goddard space flight center

10  
00:06:59,110 --> 00:06:56,639  
i'm standing in the mission support area

11  
00:07:01,430 --> 00:06:59,120  
at lockheed martin space facility

12  
00:07:03,589 --> 00:07:01,440  
we are complying with local county

13  
00:07:06,150 --> 00:07:03,599

guidelines and lockheed martin's social

14

00:07:08,629 --> 00:07:06,160

distancing policy of maintaining at

15

00:07:10,309 --> 00:07:08,639

least six feet when possible and by

16

00:07:11,430 --> 00:07:10,319

wearing mass

17

00:07:13,510 --> 00:07:11,440

yesterday

18

00:07:16,070 --> 00:07:13,520

nasa's first asteroid sample return

19

00:07:18,390 --> 00:07:16,080

mission osiris-rex successfully made

20

00:07:20,950 --> 00:07:18,400

contact with the surface of asteroid

21

00:07:24,469 --> 00:07:20,960

bennu to collect the pristine sample for

22

00:07:26,469 --> 00:07:24,479

delivery to earth in 2023

23

00:07:27,670 --> 00:07:26,479

to share some remarks with us and to

24

00:07:29,189 --> 00:07:27,680

tell us more about what happened

25

00:07:32,230 --> 00:07:29,199

yesterday and what's coming up for the

26

00:07:35,510 --> 00:07:32,240

mission we have with us today

27

00:07:37,189 --> 00:07:35,520

jim bridenstine nasa administrator nasa

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00:07:38,629 --> 00:07:37,199

headquarters he'll be joining us by

29

00:07:40,070 --> 00:07:38,639

phone

30

00:07:42,309 --> 00:07:40,080

tommy zabukin

31

00:07:44,390 --> 00:07:42,319

associate administrator science mission

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00:07:47,270 --> 00:07:44,400

director nasa headquarters

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00:07:49,670 --> 00:07:47,280

he will also be joining us by phone

34

00:07:53,350 --> 00:07:49,680

dante loreta osiris-rex principal

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00:07:56,550 --> 00:07:53,360

investigator university of arizona

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00:07:58,869 --> 00:07:56,560

rich burns osiris-rex project manager

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00:08:01,430 --> 00:07:58,879

nasa's goddard space flight center

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00:08:04,790 --> 00:08:01,440

and sandy friend osiris-rex mission

39  
00:08:06,629 --> 00:08:04,800  
operations manager lockheed martin space

40  
00:08:08,629 --> 00:08:06,639  
we'll start with the administrator with

41  
00:08:09,510 --> 00:08:08,639  
administrator branding stein joining us

42  
00:08:10,629 --> 00:08:09,520  
from

43  
00:08:12,790 --> 00:08:10,639  
his phone

44  
00:08:14,950 --> 00:08:12,800  
administrator brian stein we'll turn it

45  
00:08:17,270 --> 00:08:14,960  
over to you

46  
00:08:18,629 --> 00:08:17,280  
well thank you it's uh it's it's an

47  
00:08:21,790 --> 00:08:18,639  
amazing day

48  
00:08:25,110 --> 00:08:21,800  
i just saw the first images there of

49  
00:08:27,110 --> 00:08:25,120  
osiris-rex touching down on bennu

50  
00:08:29,110 --> 00:08:27,120  
and it was every bit as beautiful as i

51  
00:08:31,830 --> 00:08:29,120  
thought it would be uh what what an

52  
00:08:32,870 --> 00:08:31,840  
amazing accomplishment by such amazing

53  
00:08:35,190 --> 00:08:32,880  
people

54  
00:08:38,230 --> 00:08:35,200  
uh at this time we think about

55  
00:08:39,350 --> 00:08:38,240  
the challenges of of getting osiris

56  
00:08:41,029 --> 00:08:39,360  
built and

57  
00:08:42,949 --> 00:08:41,039  
launched we think about

58  
00:08:45,990 --> 00:08:42,959  
you know this has been a project that

59  
00:08:48,070 --> 00:08:46,000  
nasa and the university of arizona and

60  
00:08:50,870 --> 00:08:48,080  
lockheed martin and all of our partners

61  
00:08:53,110 --> 00:08:50,880  
we've been collaborating on since 2011

62  
00:08:55,190 --> 00:08:53,120  
and i know arizona university of arizona

63  
00:08:56,949 --> 00:08:55,200

was working on and even before that

64

00:08:59,030 --> 00:08:56,959

trying to get it approved

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00:09:01,590 --> 00:08:59,040

and here we are in the year 2020 with

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00:09:03,430 --> 00:09:01,600

this really stunning achievement and i

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00:09:04,630 --> 00:09:03,440

just want to say congratulations to all

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00:09:07,110 --> 00:09:04,640

of the teams

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

the idea that this team

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00:09:11,590 --> 00:09:09,360

broke the record for

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00:09:13,430 --> 00:09:11,600

being able to orbit the smallest object

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00:09:16,150 --> 00:09:13,440

that's ever been orbited before the idea

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00:09:18,310 --> 00:09:16,160

that they were able to orbit an object

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00:09:19,750 --> 00:09:18,320

closer than any object has ever been

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00:09:21,350 --> 00:09:19,760

orbited before

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00:09:23,829 --> 00:09:21,360

the idea that when we got there we

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00:09:26,710 --> 00:09:23,839

learned so much about how rough the

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00:09:29,190 --> 00:09:26,720

terrain was which was not anticipated

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00:09:31,509 --> 00:09:29,200

how small of a landing area we actually

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00:09:32,550 --> 00:09:31,519

had and then ultimately being able to

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00:09:34,949 --> 00:09:32,560

use

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00:09:37,030 --> 00:09:34,959

those extremely sophisticated precision

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00:09:39,990 --> 00:09:37,040

navigation capability

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00:09:42,790 --> 00:09:40,000

that way outperformed what anybody

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00:09:44,389 --> 00:09:42,800

believed could be done of course i know

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00:09:45,750 --> 00:09:44,399

the people who built it believed in it

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00:09:49,030 --> 00:09:45,760

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00:09:52,790 --> 00:09:49,040

but it was just uh it was an amazing day

89

00:09:55,590 --> 00:09:52,800

yesterday uh when we watched it land

90

00:09:58,230 --> 00:09:55,600

on a parking spot basically the the area

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00:09:59,670 --> 00:09:58,240

was about the size of two parking spaces

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00:10:03,590 --> 00:09:59,680

side by side

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00:10:05,829 --> 00:10:03,600

uh and it landed just just uh just as as

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00:10:08,230 --> 00:10:05,839

as it should have we didn't get five or

95

00:10:10,710 --> 00:10:08,240

ten minutes uh five or ten seconds on

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00:10:12,310 --> 00:10:10,720

the surface we got 15 seconds

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00:10:13,910 --> 00:10:12,320

uh and of course we're learning we're

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00:10:15,829 --> 00:10:13,920

going to be learning more about uh how

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00:10:16,630 --> 00:10:15,839

much sample we got and things like that

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00:10:18,389 --> 00:10:16,640

but

101  
00:10:20,870 --> 00:10:18,399  
this one it went as well as could have

102  
00:10:21,990 --> 00:10:20,880  
gone uh i i said it yesterday i'll say

103  
00:10:24,550 --> 00:10:22,000  
it again

104  
00:10:26,790 --> 00:10:24,560  
the osiris of the osiris-rex mission

105  
00:10:28,630 --> 00:10:26,800  
outperformed in every way

106  
00:10:31,269 --> 00:10:28,640  
and so i just wanted to make sure that i

107  
00:10:34,710 --> 00:10:31,279  
congratulated the teams um

108  
00:10:36,550 --> 00:10:34,720  
and uh you guys all made not just the

109  
00:10:38,389 --> 00:10:36,560  
united states of america proud that you

110  
00:10:40,949 --> 00:10:38,399  
made humanity proud

111  
00:10:42,790 --> 00:10:40,959  
in your ability to to go way out into

112  
00:10:44,949 --> 00:10:42,800  
deep space and characterize this

113  
00:10:46,870 --> 00:10:44,959

asteroid venue

114

00:10:48,470 --> 00:10:46,880

there's so so much more to do i want to

115

00:10:50,389 --> 00:10:48,480

be clear there's a lot left to do we've

116

00:10:53,509 --> 00:10:50,399

got to bring the sample home

117

00:10:55,350 --> 00:10:53,519

uh but at the same time uh this this in

118

00:10:57,670 --> 00:10:55,360

itself the touchdown

119

00:10:59,509 --> 00:10:57,680

the sample collection was an amazing

120

00:11:00,630 --> 00:10:59,519

achievement and i want to congratulate

121

00:11:05,110 --> 00:11:00,640

the team

122

00:11:10,949 --> 00:11:08,150

thank you sir um thanks administrator

123

00:11:13,829 --> 00:11:10,959

it's thomas sibling here and uh yes

124

00:11:16,389 --> 00:11:13,839

yesterday our team did an amazing thing

125

00:11:17,910 --> 00:11:16,399

a true first for nasa

126

00:11:19,990 --> 00:11:17,920

uh the mission of course has its

127

00:11:22,230 --> 00:11:20,000

senators in the early 2000s like you

128

00:11:24,870 --> 00:11:22,240

said you know rex finally had that an

129

00:11:27,430 --> 00:11:24,880

ultimate act of its amazing journey when

130

00:11:30,150 --> 00:11:27,440

it successfully touched the surface of

131

00:11:31,750 --> 00:11:30,160

to collect a sample

132

00:11:33,350 --> 00:11:31,760

we're going to hear about this but

133

00:11:35,430 --> 00:11:33,360

everything

134

00:11:38,230 --> 00:11:35,440

really went like it should and like we

135

00:11:40,550 --> 00:11:38,240

hoped yesterday the technology performed

136

00:11:42,710 --> 00:11:40,560

flawlessly and to command our great

137

00:11:44,069 --> 00:11:42,720

teams and to the spacecraft unfolded

138

00:11:45,910 --> 00:11:44,079

autonomously

139

00:11:48,230 --> 00:11:45,920

since the signal from the earth to all

140

00:11:50,230 --> 00:11:48,240

rex is 18 plus minutes and the

141

00:11:52,150 --> 00:11:50,240

spacecraft had to be pre-loaded and

142

00:11:52,870 --> 00:11:52,160

prepared for this amazing journey on its

143

00:11:54,230 --> 00:11:52,880

own

144

00:11:56,470 --> 00:11:54,240

i remember thinking on multiple

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00:11:58,629 --> 00:11:56,480

locations down to yesterday and bridge

146

00:12:00,470 --> 00:11:58,639

you know wow if only the speed of light

147

00:12:03,030 --> 00:12:00,480

was a lot faster

148

00:12:05,110 --> 00:12:03,040

and it isn't of course so the spacecraft

149

00:12:07,910 --> 00:12:05,120

slowly approached the surface of tenno

150

00:12:11,030 --> 00:12:07,920

uh it's data getting more detailed

151  
00:12:14,629 --> 00:12:11,040  
and uh the risk going down decreasing as

152  
00:12:16,470 --> 00:12:14,639  
we got more and more uh information and

153  
00:12:18,710 --> 00:12:16,480  
uh approaching that target with an

154  
00:12:19,750 --> 00:12:18,720  
accuracy unprecedented in previous tests

155  
00:12:21,509 --> 00:12:19,760  
that then

156  
00:12:24,230 --> 00:12:21,519  
touch panel and we're going to hear

157  
00:12:26,949 --> 00:12:24,240  
about this grasp into the wreckage and

158  
00:12:28,790 --> 00:12:26,959  
stirred up a swirl of material probably

159  
00:12:29,990 --> 00:12:28,800  
unlike anything ben who had seen in

160  
00:12:32,550 --> 00:12:30,000  
quite a while

161  
00:12:35,110 --> 00:12:32,560  
and then as planned evaluating its

162  
00:12:37,430 --> 00:12:35,120  
surrounding the spacecraft backed away

163  
00:12:39,750 --> 00:12:37,440

and is talking to its handlers on earth

164

00:12:42,389 --> 00:12:39,760

the team has a lot to work on to analyze

165

00:12:45,110 --> 00:12:42,399

them which is likely to be a sample and

166

00:12:46,629 --> 00:12:45,120

it appears that the spacecraft is safe

167

00:12:48,550 --> 00:12:46,639

and again i look forward to hearing the

168

00:12:50,389 --> 00:12:48,560

details here

169

00:12:52,470 --> 00:12:50,399

this is all the beginning of the process

170

00:12:54,710 --> 00:12:52,480

and we're nowhere near the end this

171

00:12:56,389 --> 00:12:54,720

morning in fact i thought of the analogy

172

00:12:59,110 --> 00:12:56,399

of fishing yes

173

00:13:01,590 --> 00:12:59,120

a line tied and the sinker dropped and

174

00:13:02,470 --> 00:13:01,600

we are excited but now we need to bring

175

00:13:04,710 --> 00:13:02,480

it in

176

00:13:07,269 --> 00:13:04,720

see where we caught the fish and then of

177

00:13:09,269 --> 00:13:07,279

course bring it home

178

00:13:11,829 --> 00:13:09,279

it was an honor and a joy to be with the

179

00:13:14,150 --> 00:13:11,839

mission control team yesterday and the

180

00:13:16,310 --> 00:13:14,160

leadership team at lockheed and we

181

00:13:18,470 --> 00:13:16,320

determined uh that the spacecraft had

182

00:13:20,150 --> 00:13:18,480

done exactly what it was designed for

183

00:13:22,629 --> 00:13:20,160

and apparently touch the surface and

184

00:13:24,870 --> 00:13:22,639

fire the gas bottle

185

00:13:25,590 --> 00:13:24,880

powers the collection mechanism attacks

186

00:13:27,990 --> 00:13:25,600

them

187

00:13:29,829 --> 00:13:28,000

and it's not safely on its way back from

188

00:13:31,750 --> 00:13:29,839

this hazardous environment it's always

189

00:13:34,790 --> 00:13:31,760

an amazing feeling to be with people

190

00:13:37,110 --> 00:13:34,800

celebrating such a success for humanity

191

00:13:39,269 --> 00:13:37,120

as the administrators and one that took

192

00:13:40,629 --> 00:13:39,279

many thousands of people over many years

193

00:13:43,430 --> 00:13:40,639

to achieve

194

00:13:46,069 --> 00:13:43,440

i know from my uh emails and uh tech

195

00:13:47,990 --> 00:13:46,079

streams and social media to find this

196

00:13:49,829 --> 00:13:48,000

within the united states and around the

197

00:13:52,629 --> 00:13:49,839

world are ecstatic

198

00:13:54,870 --> 00:13:52,639

discoveries will make we will make about

199

00:13:57,430 --> 00:13:54,880

our solar system and our planet for

200

00:13:59,670 --> 00:13:57,440

materials that was around at the time of

201  
00:14:01,430 --> 00:13:59,680  
its formation will be immense and the

202  
00:14:03,829 --> 00:14:01,440  
questions that we have there or not

203  
00:14:05,509 --> 00:14:03,839  
these bodies could in fact exceed life

204  
00:14:08,310 --> 00:14:05,519  
on earth there's another tantalizing

205  
00:14:10,230 --> 00:14:08,320  
avenue we want to pursue and many more

206  
00:14:12,230 --> 00:14:10,240  
and it looks like many generations will

207  
00:14:14,629 --> 00:14:12,240  
have the chance to pursue these kind of

208  
00:14:17,350 --> 00:14:14,639  
questions and others from the pristine

209  
00:14:19,509 --> 00:14:17,360  
examples coming back to earth

210  
00:14:21,430 --> 00:14:19,519  
and countless discoveries and

211  
00:14:23,110 --> 00:14:21,440  
researchers will be uh happening as a

212  
00:14:25,670 --> 00:14:23,120  
result of that

213  
00:14:27,350 --> 00:14:25,680

so dante loretta principal investigator

214

00:14:29,990 --> 00:14:27,360

i want to commend you and the entire

215

00:14:32,470 --> 00:14:30,000

team at the university of arizona uh the

216

00:14:34,870 --> 00:14:32,480

team at nasa goddard and rich uh ferns

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00:14:37,030 --> 00:14:34,880

and others and lockheed martin with the

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00:14:39,030 --> 00:14:37,040

people that we met there yesterday i

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00:14:40,949 --> 00:14:39,040

also want to give a shout out again as

220

00:14:43,910 --> 00:14:40,959

our international partners on all wrecks

221

00:14:46,150 --> 00:14:43,920

and the canadian states and the japanese

222

00:14:48,069 --> 00:14:46,160

space agency who are our partners in

223

00:14:50,069 --> 00:14:48,079

ashrae exploration

224

00:14:51,910 --> 00:14:50,079

and i really look forward uh with

225

00:14:53,509 --> 00:14:51,920

everyone else to hear from downtown to

226

00:14:55,829 --> 00:14:53,519

team about the details that's how we

227

00:14:58,310 --> 00:14:55,839

pulled up this hold off this incredible

228

00:15:00,629 --> 00:14:58,320

mission and what's next most importantly

229

00:15:02,870 --> 00:15:00,639

i really look forward to him releasing

230

00:15:03,750 --> 00:15:02,880

what i believe will become an iconic

231

00:15:05,189 --> 00:15:03,760

image

232

00:15:09,110 --> 00:15:05,199

of the power and excitement of

233

00:15:11,590 --> 00:15:09,120

exploration one that inspires all of us

234

00:15:13,269 --> 00:15:11,600

back to you

235

00:15:15,750 --> 00:15:13,279

okay thank you thank you administrator

236

00:15:18,069 --> 00:15:15,760

bradenstein and dr zabuki we will now

237

00:15:20,230 --> 00:15:18,079

turn it over to donte loretta the

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00:15:23,110 --> 00:15:20,240

principal investigator of the osiris-rex

239

00:15:24,870 --> 00:15:23,120

mission dante thank you nancy and thank

240

00:15:26,790 --> 00:15:24,880

you administrator bridenstine and dr

241

00:15:27,910 --> 00:15:26,800

zabukin for your words of support and

242

00:15:30,389 --> 00:15:27,920

encouragement

243

00:15:32,389 --> 00:15:30,399

uh it was great to have dr zabrukin and

244

00:15:34,150 --> 00:15:32,399

dr lori glaze and other representatives

245

00:15:36,310 --> 00:15:34,160

from headquarters here yesterday

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00:15:38,310 --> 00:15:36,320

supporting and encouraging this team and

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00:15:41,110 --> 00:15:38,320

we really appreciated administrator

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00:15:42,710 --> 00:15:41,120

bridenstine's

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00:15:45,110 --> 00:15:42,720

congratulations to the entire team

250

00:15:46,550 --> 00:15:45,120

yesterday it uplifted the team to an

251  
00:15:48,710 --> 00:15:46,560  
even higher level after an amazing

252  
00:15:50,949 --> 00:15:48,720  
accomplishment we really appreciate your

253  
00:15:53,350 --> 00:15:50,959  
joining the team in our celebration

254  
00:15:54,949 --> 00:15:53,360  
so yesterday was all about monitoring

255  
00:15:57,350 --> 00:15:54,959  
this real-time telemetry from the

256  
00:15:59,910 --> 00:15:57,360  
spacecraft as we watched the events

257  
00:16:01,509 --> 00:15:59,920  
unfold 200 million miles away

258  
00:16:03,829 --> 00:16:01,519  
and the question that came up over and

259  
00:16:05,590 --> 00:16:03,839  
over again in that live broadcast was

260  
00:16:07,030 --> 00:16:05,600  
when are we going to get the images back

261  
00:16:08,629 --> 00:16:07,040  
when are we going to know how the

262  
00:16:10,389 --> 00:16:08,639  
sampling event went

263  
00:16:12,470 --> 00:16:10,399

i can tell you a lot of us were up

264

00:16:14,470 --> 00:16:12,480

really late last night

265

00:16:17,590 --> 00:16:14,480

we were watching the images come down

266

00:16:20,470 --> 00:16:17,600

one by one by about two am here local

267

00:16:22,949 --> 00:16:20,480

time in denver we got what was what i

268

00:16:25,430 --> 00:16:22,959

call the money shot where we saw tag

269

00:16:28,310 --> 00:16:25,440

sand contacting the surface and then the

270

00:16:30,710 --> 00:16:28,320

effect of injecting that high purity gas

271

00:16:32,470 --> 00:16:30,720

down into the asteroid regolith so i

272

00:16:34,150 --> 00:16:32,480

think without further ado

273

00:16:35,189 --> 00:16:34,160

let's just go and take a quick look at

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00:16:37,509 --> 00:16:35,199

the data

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00:16:39,350 --> 00:16:37,519

i'm going to show you a series of images

276

00:16:41,269 --> 00:16:39,360

taken by the sand cam

277

00:16:43,509 --> 00:16:41,279

this is about twice the frame rate so

278

00:16:44,629 --> 00:16:43,519

we're coming in a little bit faster here

279

00:16:46,470 --> 00:16:44,639

and i'm just going to let that play out

280

00:16:48,470 --> 00:16:46,480

i'm going to let you appreciate it one

281

00:16:50,069 --> 00:16:48,480

more time as we go through and then

282

00:16:53,110 --> 00:16:50,079

we've got some analysis that we can

283

00:16:59,990 --> 00:16:53,120

perform about what happened here

284

00:17:04,150 --> 00:17:01,590

i must have watched it about a hundred

285

00:17:05,990 --> 00:17:04,160

times last night before i finally got a

286

00:17:09,029 --> 00:17:06,000

little bit of shut eye

287

00:17:10,949 --> 00:17:09,039

and then i dreamed of a wonder world of

288

00:17:11,990 --> 00:17:10,959

bennu regolith particles floating all

289

00:17:13,669 --> 00:17:12,000

around me

290

00:17:14,789 --> 00:17:13,679

so just to remind you what we're looking

291

00:17:17,350 --> 00:17:14,799

at here

292

00:17:18,630 --> 00:17:17,360

this is a full scale model of the tag

293

00:17:20,309 --> 00:17:18,640

sam head

294

00:17:22,230 --> 00:17:20,319

and so this is what's at the end of that

295

00:17:24,789 --> 00:17:22,240

long robotic arm you can see it's about

296

00:17:27,270 --> 00:17:24,799

30 centimeters or about a foot in

297

00:17:29,110 --> 00:17:27,280

diameter and this is what we placed onto

298

00:17:31,110 --> 00:17:29,120

the surface of the asteroid

299

00:17:33,029 --> 00:17:31,120

it's at the end of the robotic arm and

300

00:17:35,430 --> 00:17:33,039

the high purity nitrogen gas feeds in

301  
00:17:36,950 --> 00:17:35,440  
here through a couple tubes and that

302  
00:17:40,230 --> 00:17:36,960  
actually comes out through this inner

303  
00:17:42,070 --> 00:17:40,240  
annulus and pushes everything up into

304  
00:17:44,470 --> 00:17:42,080  
the collection chamber

305  
00:17:46,549 --> 00:17:44,480  
let's take a another look at just a

306  
00:17:48,549 --> 00:17:46,559  
couple of the key images

307  
00:17:51,430 --> 00:17:48,559  
right before contact and right after

308  
00:17:53,830 --> 00:17:51,440  
contact before the gas is fired so

309  
00:17:56,070 --> 00:17:53,840  
there's a little over one second time

310  
00:17:57,350 --> 00:17:56,080  
difference between these two images and

311  
00:17:59,029 --> 00:17:57,360  
there's an enormous wealth of

312  
00:18:00,549 --> 00:17:59,039  
information about the asteroid surface

313  
00:18:02,310 --> 00:18:00,559

contained in here

314

00:18:04,470 --> 00:18:02,320

so the first thing that you can see if

315

00:18:06,230 --> 00:18:04,480

you look at the area right above about

316

00:18:07,110 --> 00:18:06,240

the 12 o'clock position on the sample

317

00:18:08,870 --> 00:18:07,120

head

318

00:18:11,350 --> 00:18:08,880

we're making contact with a relatively

319

00:18:13,190 --> 00:18:11,360

large rock a little over 20 centimeters

320

00:18:16,390 --> 00:18:13,200

which we had considered a potential

321

00:18:18,630 --> 00:18:16,400

obstruction to sampling but literally we

322

00:18:21,270 --> 00:18:18,640

crushed it when the spacecraft made

323

00:18:22,470 --> 00:18:21,280

contact that rock appears to fragment

324

00:18:24,470 --> 00:18:22,480

and shatter

325

00:18:26,470 --> 00:18:24,480

which is great news because that means

326

00:18:28,549 --> 00:18:26,480

that ingestible material by tag sam is

327

00:18:30,230 --> 00:18:28,559

probably being created just by the

328

00:18:32,150 --> 00:18:30,240

motion of the spacecraft

329

00:18:34,070 --> 00:18:32,160

pushing into the surface if you look at

330

00:18:36,630 --> 00:18:34,080

a couple other areas around like this

331

00:18:38,789 --> 00:18:36,640

one here about 10 30 just off to the

332

00:18:41,110 --> 00:18:38,799

upper left of the tag sam head you can

333

00:18:43,750 --> 00:18:41,120

actually see motion

334

00:18:46,390 --> 00:18:43,760

in the regolith so it looks like we are

335

00:18:49,110 --> 00:18:46,400

pushing and exerting a force throughout

336

00:18:51,669 --> 00:18:49,120

this soil on the asteroid surface also

337

00:18:53,909 --> 00:18:51,679

good news for uh our potential for

338

00:18:55,750 --> 00:18:53,919

successful sample collection

339

00:18:57,430 --> 00:18:55,760

i want to point out another feature of

340

00:18:59,590 --> 00:18:57,440

the tag sam head that didn't get a lot

341

00:19:01,510 --> 00:18:59,600

of attention yesterday we talked a lot

342

00:19:03,909 --> 00:19:01,520

about the gas stimulation and driving

343

00:19:06,150 --> 00:19:03,919

bulk sample into this filter but as you

344

00:19:08,390 --> 00:19:06,160

can see in this 3d printed model of tag

345

00:19:09,590 --> 00:19:08,400

sam there's a whole series of circular

346

00:19:11,510 --> 00:19:09,600

disks

347

00:19:14,070 --> 00:19:11,520

on the flight hardware what's mounted in

348

00:19:16,230 --> 00:19:14,080

here are contact pads literally made out

349

00:19:17,750 --> 00:19:16,240

of stainless steel velcro and these are

350

00:19:20,310 --> 00:19:17,760

designed to pick up material on the

351

00:19:22,150 --> 00:19:20,320

order of a millimeter size and smaller

352

00:19:23,750 --> 00:19:22,160

so the fact that when the tag sam head

353

00:19:25,750 --> 00:19:23,760

is making contact with the asteroid

354

00:19:28,950 --> 00:19:25,760

surface and it's crushing what appears

355

00:19:30,710 --> 00:19:28,960

to be a very soft friable material is

356

00:19:32,310 --> 00:19:30,720

good news not only for the bulk sample

357

00:19:34,870 --> 00:19:32,320

collection because in our laboratory

358

00:19:36,230 --> 00:19:34,880

tests when the tag sam head penetrates

359

00:19:38,789 --> 00:19:36,240

and we're estimating about two

360

00:19:40,950 --> 00:19:38,799

centimeters of penetration at least

361

00:19:42,870 --> 00:19:40,960

during this event a lot of material gets

362

00:19:44,390 --> 00:19:42,880

forced up into the sample collector and

363

00:19:45,669 --> 00:19:44,400

of course by crushing you're going to

364

00:19:48,549 --> 00:19:45,679

drive a lot of material into these

365

00:19:50,150 --> 00:19:48,559

contact pads so right away bottom line

366

00:19:52,070 --> 00:19:50,160

is from analysis of the images that

367

00:19:54,310 --> 00:19:52,080

we've gotten down so far is that the

368

00:19:55,830 --> 00:19:54,320

sampling event went really well

369

00:19:57,510 --> 00:19:55,840

as good as we could have imagined it

370

00:19:59,590 --> 00:19:57,520

would and i think the chances that

371

00:20:01,270 --> 00:19:59,600

there's material inside the tag sam head

372

00:20:02,950 --> 00:20:01,280

have gone wayne way up based on the

373

00:20:04,710 --> 00:20:02,960

analysis of these images we're going to

374

00:20:07,350 --> 00:20:04,720

take a look at just one more sequence

375

00:20:10,470 --> 00:20:07,360

now after the event when the gas bottle

376

00:20:12,950 --> 00:20:10,480

gets fired uh you can see that particles

377

00:20:15,270 --> 00:20:12,960

are flying all over the place we really

378

00:20:16,870 --> 00:20:15,280

did kind of make a mess on the surface

379

00:20:19,190 --> 00:20:16,880

of this asteroid but it's a good mass

380

00:20:21,669 --> 00:20:19,200

it's the kind of mess we were hoping for

381

00:20:23,590 --> 00:20:21,679

lots of material has been mobilized

382

00:20:25,669 --> 00:20:23,600

giving us additional confidence that we

383

00:20:27,590 --> 00:20:25,679

actually push material up into the

384

00:20:30,149 --> 00:20:27,600

sampler head and just a little bit of

385

00:20:33,590 --> 00:20:30,159

the timeline here we made

386

00:20:35,990 --> 00:20:33,600

contact about one second went by the gas

387

00:20:38,310 --> 00:20:36,000

bottle fired uh the gas was blown down

388

00:20:39,909 --> 00:20:38,320

for about five seconds which is as much

389

00:20:42,149 --> 00:20:39,919

time as we were hoping to get to collect

390

00:20:44,149 --> 00:20:42,159

that material so the system seems to

391

00:20:46,710 --> 00:20:44,159

have performed normally the surf

392

00:20:49,270 --> 00:20:46,720

nominally the surface of bennu behaved

393

00:20:51,110 --> 00:20:49,280

very well and so everything that we can

394

00:20:52,549 --> 00:20:51,120

see from these initial images indicates

395

00:20:54,230 --> 00:20:52,559

sampling success

396

00:20:56,310 --> 00:20:54,240

we still have some work to do we're

397

00:20:58,870 --> 00:20:56,320

going to go through our entire procedure

398

00:21:00,549 --> 00:20:58,880

including we'll hear from sandy later in

399

00:21:02,950 --> 00:21:00,559

the day about the additional activities

400

00:21:04,870 --> 00:21:02,960

for sample verification so in case you

401  
00:21:07,430 --> 00:21:04,880  
can't tell i'm pretty excited about all

402  
00:21:08,310 --> 00:21:07,440  
of this this is great news

403  
00:21:09,750 --> 00:21:08,320  
and

404  
00:21:11,350 --> 00:21:09,760  
i'm going to turn it over to rich to

405  
00:21:12,950 --> 00:21:11,360  
talk about the spacecraft performance

406  
00:21:15,270 --> 00:21:12,960  
from here

407  
00:21:17,990 --> 00:21:15,280  
thanks very much dante i'm happy to be

408  
00:21:19,909 --> 00:21:18,000  
here we're all super excited to uh

409  
00:21:22,310 --> 00:21:19,919  
to be sharing all this information from

410  
00:21:25,029 --> 00:21:22,320  
with you and i'm going to try to set

411  
00:21:27,350 --> 00:21:25,039  
some context for the movie that that

412  
00:21:29,190 --> 00:21:27,360  
dante showed with showing you exactly

413  
00:21:31,430 --> 00:21:29,200

what happened during the last stages of

414

00:21:33,750 --> 00:21:31,440

tag and uh

415

00:21:35,990 --> 00:21:33,760

orienting you with uh

416

00:21:37,190 --> 00:21:36,000

what our sample site look nightingale

417

00:21:39,990 --> 00:21:37,200

look like

418

00:21:41,909 --> 00:21:40,000

so let's begin with the animation this

419

00:21:44,390 --> 00:21:41,919

is the final descent stages this is the

420

00:21:46,390 --> 00:21:44,400

same perspective you see in the images

421

00:21:49,590 --> 00:21:46,400

this is an animation of course

422

00:21:51,430 --> 00:21:49,600

so we'll transfer to an uh a perspective

423

00:21:53,750 --> 00:21:51,440

that's near the surface so you see just

424

00:21:56,390 --> 00:21:53,760

how rugged the terrain is here

425

00:21:58,390 --> 00:21:56,400

and then at contact you'll see the

426  
00:22:00,070 --> 00:21:58,400  
sample collection head make contact with

427  
00:22:01,830 --> 00:22:00,080  
the surface

428  
00:22:03,590 --> 00:22:01,840  
regolith gets disturbed and then the

429  
00:22:06,070 --> 00:22:03,600  
nitrogen bottle gets fired and more

430  
00:22:09,110 --> 00:22:06,080  
regolith gets disturbed the

431  
00:22:11,350 --> 00:22:09,120  
cutaway of the tax ham or the sample

432  
00:22:12,390 --> 00:22:11,360  
collection head shows the airflow of the

433  
00:22:14,230 --> 00:22:12,400  
nitrogen

434  
00:22:16,070 --> 00:22:14,240  
and the back away maneuver from the

435  
00:22:18,710 --> 00:22:16,080  
surface

436  
00:22:21,029 --> 00:22:18,720  
so that that completes where we're uh

437  
00:22:23,029 --> 00:22:21,039  
that that maneuver completed the

438  
00:22:25,909 --> 00:22:23,039

uh sequence we're safely away from the

439

00:22:28,870 --> 00:22:25,919

surface right now i'll turn now to

440

00:22:31,029 --> 00:22:28,880

orientation of the the sample collection

441

00:22:33,590 --> 00:22:31,039

site nightingale and we'll show a

442

00:22:36,950 --> 00:22:33,600

graphic to describe that

443

00:22:39,350 --> 00:22:36,960

so you see on the upper right is a image

444

00:22:41,669 --> 00:22:39,360

from our reconnaissance c

445

00:22:43,990 --> 00:22:41,679

the resolution in that image is about

446

00:22:47,350 --> 00:22:44,000

four millimeters per pixel

447

00:22:49,430 --> 00:22:47,360

the yellow circle in that image is the

448

00:22:51,830 --> 00:22:49,440

uh dimension of our sample collection

449

00:22:53,510 --> 00:22:51,840

head so it gives you a a sense of the

450

00:22:56,149 --> 00:22:53,520

rocks the material that was under the

451

00:22:58,230 --> 00:22:56,159  
collection head at the time of uh

452

00:23:01,190 --> 00:22:58,240  
contact and then the bottom right is

453

00:23:04,310 --> 00:23:01,200  
just the uh snapshot of the sample

454

00:23:06,470 --> 00:23:04,320  
collection head just before contact

455

00:23:09,110 --> 00:23:06,480  
on the left hand side of this graphic is

456

00:23:12,390 --> 00:23:09,120  
the nightingale site

457

00:23:15,270 --> 00:23:12,400  
and annotated on that uh on that graphic

458

00:23:17,510 --> 00:23:15,280  
is our estimated point of contact

459

00:23:19,110 --> 00:23:17,520  
which is less than a meter away from the

460

00:23:20,710 --> 00:23:19,120  
center of the site

461

00:23:23,590 --> 00:23:20,720  
i'll emphasize that because we're over

462

00:23:26,310 --> 00:23:23,600  
over 320

463

00:23:27,669 --> 00:23:26,320

million kilometers away from earth at

464

00:23:29,990 --> 00:23:27,679

this point

465

00:23:32,310 --> 00:23:30,000

and we touched this asteroid within a

466

00:23:33,110 --> 00:23:32,320

meter of where we intended to

467

00:23:35,029 --> 00:23:33,120

so

468

00:23:36,630 --> 00:23:35,039

that's extraordinary and a real credit

469

00:23:38,230 --> 00:23:36,640

to our team

470

00:23:40,149 --> 00:23:38,240

our navigators

471

00:23:41,750 --> 00:23:40,159

the folks here at lockheed and the

472

00:23:43,750 --> 00:23:41,760

science team who all had to come

473

00:23:45,990 --> 00:23:43,760

together to

474

00:23:48,950 --> 00:23:46,000

to enable that to happen to allow the

475

00:23:51,029 --> 00:23:48,960

navigation system to work

476  
00:23:53,350 --> 00:23:51,039  
as administrator bridenstine said

477  
00:23:55,350 --> 00:23:53,360  
outperforming our requirements our

478  
00:23:56,230 --> 00:23:55,360  
initial requirements to work to land

479  
00:23:59,190 --> 00:23:56,240  
within

480  
00:24:02,549 --> 00:23:59,200  
25 meters of a specified site we landed

481  
00:24:04,630 --> 00:24:02,559  
within a meter so incredible there and

482  
00:24:06,710 --> 00:24:04,640  
also the rugged terrain you saw from the

483  
00:24:08,630 --> 00:24:06,720  
perspective near the surface

484  
00:24:11,350 --> 00:24:08,640  
of of the site

485  
00:24:13,909 --> 00:24:11,360  
extraordinarily rugged terrain the site

486  
00:24:16,070 --> 00:24:13,919  
the the sample site nightingale is

487  
00:24:18,070 --> 00:24:16,080  
actually one of the smoother areas but

488  
00:24:19,269 --> 00:24:18,080

quite small compared to that 25 meter

489

00:24:20,789 --> 00:24:19,279

requirement

490

00:24:23,350 --> 00:24:20,799

now we'll talk a little bit about where

491

00:24:24,789 --> 00:24:23,360

the spacecraft is presently we'll start

492

00:24:26,789 --> 00:24:24,799

an animation that begins with the

493

00:24:27,990 --> 00:24:26,799

backway maneuver you see the thrusters

494

00:24:30,710 --> 00:24:28,000

firing

495

00:24:32,950 --> 00:24:30,720

this is a 40 centimeter per second uh

496

00:24:35,350 --> 00:24:32,960

maneuver which may not sound like much

497

00:24:37,830 --> 00:24:35,360

but you see the uh spacecraft going away

498

00:24:39,990 --> 00:24:37,840

quickly from venue and out of orbit

499

00:24:42,710 --> 00:24:40,000

this graphic shows the uh

500

00:24:45,190 --> 00:24:42,720

the orbit we left from and then we're on

501  
00:24:47,190 --> 00:24:45,200  
a hyperbolic trajectory safely drifting

502  
00:24:49,590 --> 00:24:47,200  
away from bennu

503  
00:24:50,950 --> 00:24:49,600  
we will actually arrest that drift away

504  
00:24:53,590 --> 00:24:50,960  
on friday

505  
00:24:56,310 --> 00:24:53,600  
at about 80 kilometers distance from

506  
00:24:58,390 --> 00:24:56,320  
bennett so all the mess that dante

507  
00:25:00,310 --> 00:24:58,400  
described that we made

508  
00:25:02,630 --> 00:25:00,320  
we're safely away from all that debris

509  
00:25:03,830 --> 00:25:02,640  
field at the at the present moment

510  
00:25:06,710 --> 00:25:03,840  
and i'm going to turn it over to my

511  
00:25:07,830 --> 00:25:06,720  
colleague sandy friend from lockheed

512  
00:25:09,029 --> 00:25:07,840  
thank you rich

513  
00:25:11,669 --> 00:25:09,039

i'm going to talk a little bit about the

514

00:25:13,190 --> 00:25:11,679

spacecraft performance yesterday and

515

00:25:14,950 --> 00:25:13,200

what is coming up

516

00:25:17,750 --> 00:25:14,960

so the spacecraft performance was

517

00:25:19,590 --> 00:25:17,760

phenomenal all throughout the tag event

518

00:25:21,269 --> 00:25:19,600

performing just as planned natural

519

00:25:23,830 --> 00:25:21,279

feature tracking matching all of its

520

00:25:25,590 --> 00:25:23,840

features as we slowly descended

521

00:25:27,750 --> 00:25:25,600

you've heard and seen from the images

522

00:25:29,909 --> 00:25:27,760

that we made contact fired the gas

523

00:25:31,990 --> 00:25:29,919

bottle just as planned and we hope to

524

00:25:33,990 --> 00:25:32,000

have a lot of regolith captured in there

525

00:25:36,230 --> 00:25:34,000

before we backed away

526

00:25:38,149 --> 00:25:36,240

we did start downlinking our tag data

527

00:25:40,630 --> 00:25:38,159

yesterday and we were fortunate to

528

00:25:41,909 --> 00:25:40,640

maintain communication throughout the

529

00:25:43,909 --> 00:25:41,919

contact

530

00:25:45,190 --> 00:25:43,919

and our 40-bit telemetry

531

00:25:47,029 --> 00:25:45,200

last night we were able to go to a

532

00:25:48,789 --> 00:25:47,039

higher data rate and get down some of

533

00:25:51,350 --> 00:25:48,799

our recorded data including that

534

00:25:52,470 --> 00:25:51,360

phenomenal set of images that dante just

535

00:25:55,110 --> 00:25:52,480

showed

536

00:25:57,110 --> 00:25:55,120

all of our spacecraft subsystems are

537

00:25:59,269 --> 00:25:57,120

reporting nominal performance at this

538

00:26:01,269 --> 00:25:59,279

time we're not working any issues

539

00:26:03,110 --> 00:26:01,279

we did see a number of additional bright

540

00:26:04,789 --> 00:26:03,120

objects in our star tracker not

541

00:26:07,110 --> 00:26:04,799

unexpected seeing what came off the

542

00:26:08,149 --> 00:26:07,120

surface of bennu and that has all now

543

00:26:09,590 --> 00:26:08,159

cleared

544

00:26:11,269 --> 00:26:09,600

so coming up we have a series of

545

00:26:13,269 --> 00:26:11,279

spacecraft activities that's going to

546

00:26:15,190 --> 00:26:13,279

help inform us on how much sample we've

547

00:26:18,549 --> 00:26:15,200

collected and give us a little more

548

00:26:20,070 --> 00:26:18,559

insight into the spacecraft subsystems

549

00:26:22,390 --> 00:26:20,080

our first event will actually happen

550

00:26:25,269 --> 00:26:22,400

tomorrow and we've got an animation

551  
00:26:27,590 --> 00:26:25,279  
showing what sample imaging looks like

552  
00:26:30,710 --> 00:26:27,600  
so we're able to articulate our arm and

553  
00:26:33,190 --> 00:26:30,720  
the tag sam head over our sam cam

554  
00:26:35,190 --> 00:26:33,200  
which will take a series of images

555  
00:26:38,070 --> 00:26:35,200  
we're hoping that we can see lots of

556  
00:26:39,990 --> 00:26:38,080  
sample entrained inside the sampler head

557  
00:26:42,950 --> 00:26:40,000  
we'll also be able to see evidence of

558  
00:26:45,510 --> 00:26:42,960  
sample on those contact pads any dust

559  
00:26:48,390 --> 00:26:45,520  
that may be on the arm or the sampler

560  
00:26:50,390 --> 00:26:48,400  
head so that'll be the first activity to

561  
00:26:53,510 --> 00:26:50,400  
help us determine just how much sample

562  
00:26:55,590 --> 00:26:53,520  
we've collected then our second activity

563  
00:26:58,230 --> 00:26:55,600

is our sample mass measurement and we

564

00:27:00,630 --> 00:26:58,240

have a second animation showing that

565

00:27:02,870 --> 00:27:00,640

we'll extend the arm and spin the

566

00:27:05,430 --> 00:27:02,880

spacecraft now we've done this activity

567

00:27:07,590 --> 00:27:05,440

before so we've got a pre tag and this

568

00:27:09,669 --> 00:27:07,600

will be our post tag that way we can

569

00:27:11,430 --> 00:27:09,679

compare the moment of inertia which will

570

00:27:14,070 --> 00:27:11,440

help us determine how much mass is

571

00:27:16,390 --> 00:27:14,080

actually in the sampler head

572

00:27:18,230 --> 00:27:16,400

we do also have a spacecraft checkout

573

00:27:19,830 --> 00:27:18,240

plans early next week where we'll get an

574

00:27:21,430 --> 00:27:19,840

opportunity to do some engineering

575

00:27:23,830 --> 00:27:21,440

checkouts of some of our redundant

576

00:27:25,830 --> 00:27:23,840

components as we continue to trend the

577

00:27:27,669 --> 00:27:25,840

spacecraft which looks just absolutely

578

00:27:28,870 --> 00:27:27,679

amazing after what we put it through

579

00:27:31,190 --> 00:27:28,880

yesterday

580

00:27:33,830 --> 00:27:31,200

i'm going to turn it back over to nancy

581

00:27:36,149 --> 00:27:33,840

okay thank you sandy we're now ready to

582

00:27:37,909 --> 00:27:36,159

take questions from the media by phone

583

00:27:41,029 --> 00:27:37,919

operator please patch through our first

584

00:27:45,350 --> 00:27:43,029

thank you we will now begin the question

585

00:27:48,389 --> 00:27:45,360

and answer session if you would like to

586

00:27:51,669 --> 00:27:48,399

ask a question please press star one

587

00:27:54,070 --> 00:27:51,679

i meet your phone and record your name

588

00:27:56,870 --> 00:27:54,080

your name and your associated press is

589

00:27:58,470 --> 00:27:56,880

required to introduce your question to

590

00:27:59,669 --> 00:27:58,480

withdraw your question please press

591

00:28:01,750 --> 00:27:59,679

start to

592

00:28:04,710 --> 00:28:01,760

again to ask a question please press

593

00:28:09,269 --> 00:28:04,720

star one the first question comes from

594

00:28:12,549 --> 00:28:09,279

marsha dunn from associated print

595

00:28:16,310 --> 00:28:14,310

congratulations

596

00:28:18,549 --> 00:28:16,320

i heard that mr breidenstein say that

597

00:28:19,590 --> 00:28:18,559

contact was actually 15 seconds which is

598

00:28:22,070 --> 00:28:19,600

a little

599

00:28:25,110 --> 00:28:22,080

longer than anticipated um i guess

600

00:28:27,430 --> 00:28:25,120

that's a good thing uh right and when do

601  
00:28:30,549 --> 00:28:27,440  
you think might be the soonest that you

602  
00:28:33,269 --> 00:28:30,559  
can declare success and

603  
00:28:34,950 --> 00:28:33,279  
have at least a pretty good hunch that

604  
00:28:36,789 --> 00:28:34,960  
you've got what you were going after

605  
00:28:39,830 --> 00:28:36,799  
thank you

606  
00:28:43,430 --> 00:28:39,840  
a great question i'll tell you the 15

607  
00:28:46,310 --> 00:28:43,440  
seconds i got in open media reports

608  
00:28:48,549 --> 00:28:46,320  
so i'll let probably the experts uh tell

609  
00:28:51,190 --> 00:28:48,559  
us exactly what what they know occurred

610  
00:28:52,710 --> 00:28:51,200  
if uh dante if you'd like to take that i

611  
00:28:54,870 --> 00:28:52,720  
think i'll let sandy answer that she's

612  
00:28:56,870 --> 00:28:54,880  
our spacecraft engineer and analyze the

613  
00:28:58,870 --> 00:28:56,880

telemetry that gives us that information

614

00:29:01,269 --> 00:28:58,880

yes our preliminary analysis of the

615

00:29:04,470 --> 00:29:01,279

telemetry shows that we were in contact

616

00:29:06,470 --> 00:29:04,480

with the surface for about six seconds

617

00:29:08,230 --> 00:29:06,480

and our collection time about five

618

00:29:10,149 --> 00:29:08,240

seconds it takes just about a second

619

00:29:12,630 --> 00:29:10,159

after we make contact before that gas

620

00:29:14,549 --> 00:29:12,640

bottle is fired which is that one second

621

00:29:17,510 --> 00:29:14,559

difference

622

00:29:21,669 --> 00:29:17,520

so i i i read an article and it says 15

623

00:29:23,830 --> 00:29:21,679

so i guess i was raw marsha i apologize

624

00:29:25,669 --> 00:29:23,840

oh that's quite all right and when do

625

00:29:27,110 --> 00:29:25,679

you think the soonest might be that

626  
00:29:29,669 --> 00:29:27,120  
you'll have

627  
00:29:33,510 --> 00:29:29,679  
if not an exact measurement a pretty

628  
00:29:37,990 --> 00:29:33,520  
good idea that you uh that you can uh

629  
00:29:45,669 --> 00:29:41,590  
uh yeah so we're continuing oh go ahead

630  
00:29:49,029 --> 00:29:47,510  
yeah so we're continuing to analyze of

631  
00:29:50,549 --> 00:29:49,039  
all the engineering data that we have on

632  
00:29:52,389 --> 00:29:50,559  
the ground so that we can better

633  
00:29:54,149 --> 00:29:52,399  
correlate all the data sets together and

634  
00:29:55,990 --> 00:29:54,159  
get an exact timeline of everything that

635  
00:29:57,669 --> 00:29:56,000  
happened here on the surface

636  
00:29:59,190 --> 00:29:57,679  
how fast the bottle pressure went down

637  
00:30:01,750 --> 00:29:59,200  
and all of that is is being looked at

638  
00:30:03,750 --> 00:30:01,760

very closely here as we look to analyze

639

00:30:05,190 --> 00:30:03,760

the sample we've collected so hoping to

640

00:30:07,190 --> 00:30:05,200

have good solid timelines here in the

641

00:30:09,909 --> 00:30:07,200

next few days and i think the sample

642

00:30:11,269 --> 00:30:09,919

mass measurement is planned for saturday

643

00:30:13,110 --> 00:30:11,279

yes that's when the spacecraft will

644

00:30:15,590 --> 00:30:13,120

execute that maneuver and the team needs

645

00:30:18,230 --> 00:30:15,600

some time to analyze that information

646

00:30:21,110 --> 00:30:18,240

uh and so uh sandy remind me when do we

647

00:30:23,110 --> 00:30:21,120

expect the final report from gnc on that

648

00:30:25,590 --> 00:30:23,120

value yes we are expecting a final

649

00:30:28,149 --> 00:30:25,600

sample mass measurement report on monday

650

00:30:31,350 --> 00:30:29,590

operator we're ready for the next

651  
00:30:33,110 --> 00:30:31,360  
question

652  
00:30:36,710 --> 00:30:33,120  
thank you

653  
00:30:39,190 --> 00:30:36,720  
sarik malik of space.com your line is

654  
00:30:43,990 --> 00:30:41,830  
hello uh thank you so much for uh for

655  
00:30:47,510 --> 00:30:44,000  
the update here and uh congratulations

656  
00:30:49,830 --> 00:30:47,520  
it appears uh so far on um the sampling

657  
00:30:52,070 --> 00:30:49,840  
my question is for dante uh i'm just

658  
00:30:55,590 --> 00:30:52,080  
curious you know it's been a long road

659  
00:30:57,750 --> 00:30:55,600  
reaching venue with osiris-rex uh and

660  
00:30:59,750 --> 00:30:57,760  
and you know very

661  
00:31:01,590 --> 00:30:59,760  
unexpected circumstances to try to

662  
00:31:04,070 --> 00:31:01,600  
actually collect samples of the

663  
00:31:07,830 --> 00:31:04,080

asteroids last night and i'm wondering

664

00:31:10,230 --> 00:31:07,840

kind of what you and and the team

665

00:31:11,909 --> 00:31:10,240

are feeling or were feeling when you saw

666

00:31:14,470 --> 00:31:11,919

those images come down

667

00:31:16,710 --> 00:31:14,480

uh after you know making lots of

668

00:31:19,190 --> 00:31:16,720

precautions uh for you know the ongoing

669

00:31:20,470 --> 00:31:19,200

pandemic or uh you know every other

670

00:31:21,590 --> 00:31:20,480

challenge situation that we're facing

671

00:31:23,509 --> 00:31:21,600

right now

672

00:31:26,549 --> 00:31:23,519

i'm just curious kind of what that tone

673

00:31:28,630 --> 00:31:26,559

was like when you saw those images there

674

00:31:31,029 --> 00:31:28,640

of course that's a great question so we

675

00:31:33,590 --> 00:31:31,039

stayed here at the msa at lockheed

676

00:31:35,909 --> 00:31:33,600

martin fairly late last night

677

00:31:37,830 --> 00:31:35,919

i stuck around to get to the point where

678

00:31:39,029 --> 00:31:37,840

we made the high gain antenna contact

679

00:31:41,110 --> 00:31:39,039

with the spacecraft and we started to

680

00:31:42,630 --> 00:31:41,120

get the initial telemetry back down and

681

00:31:44,950 --> 00:31:42,640

we actually had a spacecraft status

682

00:31:47,830 --> 00:31:44,960

meeting about 9 30 p.m here local denver

683

00:31:51,269 --> 00:31:47,840

time i got back to my apartment here in

684

00:31:52,789 --> 00:31:51,279

denver around 11 o'clock last night

685

00:31:54,389 --> 00:31:52,799

and i couldn't sleep as you could

686

00:31:56,389 --> 00:31:54,399

imagine i knew we were expecting those

687

00:31:59,509 --> 00:31:56,399

images around 2 a.m

688

00:32:01,830 --> 00:31:59,519

so i got on to the chat we have a chat

689

00:32:03,909 --> 00:32:01,840

feature with our science team

690

00:32:05,190 --> 00:32:03,919

and actually the images get processed

691

00:32:07,590 --> 00:32:05,200

through the science processing and

692

00:32:09,990 --> 00:32:07,600

operation center in tucson arizona so

693

00:32:10,950 --> 00:32:10,000

our imaging scientists at u of a were

694

00:32:13,190 --> 00:32:10,960

busy

695

00:32:15,110 --> 00:32:13,200

downloading and analyzing the images and

696

00:32:17,509 --> 00:32:15,120

the science team was analyzing them in

697

00:32:19,509 --> 00:32:17,519

real time through the chat feature and

698

00:32:22,070 --> 00:32:19,519

we were producing the animated gifs

699

00:32:24,950 --> 00:32:22,080

looking at various aspects and timing in

700

00:32:27,830 --> 00:32:24,960

the sequences and as you can imagine the

701  
00:32:30,389 --> 00:32:27,840  
chat was filled with emojis and wows and

702  
00:32:32,710 --> 00:32:30,399  
all kinds of celebratory remarks uh

703  
00:32:35,110 --> 00:32:32,720  
science it never sleeps in these kinds

704  
00:32:37,669 --> 00:32:35,120  
of conditions so we immediately started

705  
00:32:39,990 --> 00:32:37,679  
assessing how far the tag sam had

706  
00:32:42,950 --> 00:32:40,000  
penetrated into the surface

707  
00:32:44,789 --> 00:32:42,960  
overall the the mood was uh jubilant

708  
00:32:47,430 --> 00:32:44,799  
because everything looked better than we

709  
00:32:49,190 --> 00:32:47,440  
expected and i could say the best piece

710  
00:32:51,509 --> 00:32:49,200  
of information we got was that that tag

711  
00:32:54,149 --> 00:32:51,519  
sam head looks like it pushed down into

712  
00:32:55,909 --> 00:32:54,159  
the asteroid surface uh when with all

713  
00:32:58,149 --> 00:32:55,919

the laboratory testing that the team at

714

00:33:00,549 --> 00:32:58,159

lockheed martin did here to assess tag

715

00:33:03,509 --> 00:33:00,559

sam performance some of the best test

716

00:33:05,669 --> 00:33:03,519

results occurred when tag sam gets down

717

00:33:07,990 --> 00:33:05,679

underneath the surface just a little bit

718

00:33:10,710 --> 00:33:08,000

and is able to fire the nitrogen gas

719

00:33:12,389 --> 00:33:10,720

with regolith all around it so

720

00:33:13,990 --> 00:33:12,399

i know we're going to hear in another

721

00:33:16,549 --> 00:33:14,000

event later today from our tag sam

722

00:33:18,710 --> 00:33:16,559

scientist beau beerhouse so

723

00:33:19,590 --> 00:33:18,720

you can look forward to that i know he

724

00:33:25,509 --> 00:33:19,600

is

725

00:33:27,830 --> 00:33:25,519

devices performed and that spread

726

00:33:29,750 --> 00:33:27,840

throughout the entire science team

727

00:33:31,430 --> 00:33:29,760

the only thing i'm looking forward to

728

00:33:33,190 --> 00:33:31,440

is maybe being able to sleep tonight

729

00:33:35,590 --> 00:33:33,200

knowing that we had a job really well

730

00:33:35,600 --> 00:33:40,789

thank you dante operating next question

731

00:33:48,630 --> 00:33:44,230

thank you stephen clark of space flight

732

00:33:55,509 --> 00:33:52,789

hi congratulations on the success um my

733

00:33:56,710 --> 00:33:55,519

question is for dante uh are you at any

734

00:33:59,110 --> 00:33:56,720

point in the next few days or a few

735

00:34:02,389 --> 00:33:59,120

weeks expecting to get any images

736

00:34:04,149 --> 00:34:02,399

inside the tank stamp to see

737

00:34:05,269 --> 00:34:04,159

maybe an image of the sample that you

738

00:34:08,310 --> 00:34:05,279

collected

739

00:34:09,990 --> 00:34:08,320

and i was wondering also if you have any

740

00:34:13,109 --> 00:34:10,000

estimate of the error bars that you'll

741

00:34:15,589 --> 00:34:13,119

have on your mass estimate um from the

742

00:34:18,470 --> 00:34:15,599

spin maneuver this weekend thanks

743

00:34:20,310 --> 00:34:18,480

yeah thank you stephen um absolutely so

744

00:34:23,109 --> 00:34:20,320

i think the next major flight activity

745

00:34:25,750 --> 00:34:23,119

for the spacecraft is using the sam cam

746

00:34:27,589 --> 00:34:25,760

to image the tag sam head

747

00:34:29,270 --> 00:34:27,599

sandy showed an animation of what that

748

00:34:30,710 --> 00:34:29,280

sequence looks like just a little bit

749

00:34:32,310 --> 00:34:30,720

earlier

750

00:34:33,510 --> 00:34:32,320

we will be able to look at the base

751

00:34:36,230 --> 00:34:33,520

plate we'll be able to look at those

752

00:34:38,470 --> 00:34:36,240

contact pads based on what i've seen so

753

00:34:40,230 --> 00:34:38,480

far with the asteroid surface crushing

754

00:34:42,470 --> 00:34:40,240

underneath the tag sam head i'm

755

00:34:44,869 --> 00:34:42,480

anticipating that we see contact pads

756

00:34:46,389 --> 00:34:44,879

coated in dark black asteroid regolith

757

00:34:49,589 --> 00:34:46,399

but of course we need those images down

758

00:34:51,349 --> 00:34:49,599

to verify that we hope to be able to see

759

00:34:52,869 --> 00:34:51,359

inside the tag sam head but that's not

760

00:34:55,109 --> 00:34:52,879

guaranteed

761

00:34:57,589 --> 00:34:55,119

for one thing the tag sam head may be so

762

00:34:59,349 --> 00:34:57,599

full of regolith that no light is able

763

00:35:00,870 --> 00:34:59,359

to penetrate inside that i'm going to

764

00:35:02,550 --> 00:35:00,880

take that as a win

765

00:35:03,990 --> 00:35:02,560

but it does require just the right

766

00:35:06,790 --> 00:35:04,000

lighting conditions

767

00:35:09,270 --> 00:35:06,800

for us to see inside that tag same head

768

00:35:10,790 --> 00:35:09,280

and we don't require that to take place

769

00:35:12,150 --> 00:35:10,800

but those images will be acquired

770

00:35:14,310 --> 00:35:12,160

tomorrow

771

00:35:16,230 --> 00:35:14,320

downlinked over the next day or so and

772

00:35:18,630 --> 00:35:16,240

obviously we'll be analyzing those

773

00:35:22,710 --> 00:35:18,640

intently um remind me what the second

774

00:35:26,790 --> 00:35:24,870

yeah just how precise is this moment of

775

00:35:28,950 --> 00:35:26,800

inertia measurement going to be in in

776

00:35:31,990 --> 00:35:28,960

terms of estimating how much mass

777

00:35:34,870 --> 00:35:32,000

how much sample you collected thank you

778

00:35:37,670 --> 00:35:34,880

so the mission requirement is to bring

779

00:35:39,430 --> 00:35:37,680

back 60 grams of regolith

780

00:35:40,230 --> 00:35:39,440

and we have done a lot of work with this

781

00:35:41,990 --> 00:35:40,240

team

782

00:35:44,230 --> 00:35:42,000

to determine what the precision on that

783

00:35:45,670 --> 00:35:44,240

measurement is and in fact we rehearsed

784

00:35:47,589 --> 00:35:45,680

it during the checkpoint rehearsal in

785

00:35:50,150 --> 00:35:47,599

the match point rehearsal

786

00:35:53,750 --> 00:35:50,160

right now we're carrying a three sigma

787

00:35:55,270 --> 00:35:53,760

uncertainty of about 20 grams on that

788

00:35:57,109 --> 00:35:55,280

measurement so

789

00:35:59,349 --> 00:35:57,119

we've actually worked through this with

790

00:36:01,750 --> 00:35:59,359

our stakeholders at nasa headquarters

791

00:36:04,790 --> 00:36:01,760

and 80 grams is kind of the magic number

792

00:36:07,349 --> 00:36:04,800

if we see smm coming in at 80 grams or

793

00:36:09,910 --> 00:36:07,359

higher we have a 90 percent confidence

794

00:36:11,589 --> 00:36:09,920

of having collected 60 grams of regolith

795

00:36:14,150 --> 00:36:11,599

so that's a key number that i'm looking

796

00:36:16,710 --> 00:36:14,160

for uh if it's below that uh it's a

797

00:36:19,670 --> 00:36:16,720

conversation that we have with the team

798

00:36:21,589 --> 00:36:19,680

with nasa headquarters dr zurbukin to

799

00:36:24,310 --> 00:36:21,599

decide what we think the best path uh

800

00:36:26,310 --> 00:36:24,320

forward is but 20 grand three sigma is

801  
00:36:29,589 --> 00:36:26,320  
the number that uh we have agreed to

802  
00:36:29,599 --> 00:36:35,109  
thank you operator next question

803  
00:36:42,550 --> 00:36:37,910  
craig smith of k

804  
00:36:46,390 --> 00:36:45,270  
thank you a question for for dante

805  
00:36:47,910 --> 00:36:46,400  
um

806  
00:36:49,589 --> 00:36:47,920  
how is the

807  
00:36:51,349 --> 00:36:49,599  
how is it decided just which

808  
00:36:52,950 --> 00:36:51,359  
organizations in which share of the

809  
00:36:55,990 --> 00:36:52,960  
collected material

810  
00:36:58,230 --> 00:36:56,000  
how what share do you expect university

811  
00:37:00,550 --> 00:36:58,240  
of arizona to get and please give us an

812  
00:37:03,270 --> 00:37:00,560  
idea of i guess the uh

813  
00:37:06,230 --> 00:37:03,280

the researchers who are

814

00:37:08,310 --> 00:37:06,240

lined up to get a look at that maturity

815

00:37:11,349 --> 00:37:08,320

thanks craig great to hear from you uh

816

00:37:13,430 --> 00:37:11,359

so first the sample belongs to nasa and

817

00:37:16,870 --> 00:37:13,440

really to the american taxpayers

818

00:37:19,030 --> 00:37:16,880

uh so the only transfer of sample that's

819

00:37:21,670 --> 00:37:19,040

been authorized is that four percent

820

00:37:23,430 --> 00:37:21,680

goes to the canadian space agency that's

821

00:37:25,190 --> 00:37:23,440

by mass

822

00:37:27,829 --> 00:37:25,200

and then half a percent goes to the

823

00:37:29,430 --> 00:37:27,839

japanese space agency uh

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00:37:31,030 --> 00:37:29,440

in to reciprocate for their

825

00:37:33,670 --> 00:37:31,040

contributions to the success of this

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00:37:36,630 --> 00:37:33,680

mission the science team which is what i

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00:37:39,510 --> 00:37:36,640

lead will be allocated 25

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00:37:41,109 --> 00:37:39,520

of the return mass and also 25 of the

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00:37:43,430 --> 00:37:41,119

contact pads

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00:37:45,670 --> 00:37:43,440

for our scientific analysis but in all

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00:37:47,750 --> 00:37:45,680

cases that material still belongs to the

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00:37:48,790 --> 00:37:47,760

agency and is under the control of nasa

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00:37:51,030 --> 00:37:48,800

and it's

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00:37:53,510 --> 00:37:51,040

allocated to me and to the science team

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00:37:56,069 --> 00:37:53,520

through what's called a loan agreement

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00:37:58,710 --> 00:37:56,079

but all that aside we're basically

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00:38:00,710 --> 00:37:58,720

planning right now on analyzing 25

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00:38:02,870 --> 00:38:00,720

percent of the return mass

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00:38:03,589 --> 00:38:02,880

and a lot of my activity lately has been

840

00:38:15,750 --> 00:38:03,599

in

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00:38:17,750 --> 00:38:15,760

course the university of arizona will be

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00:38:20,230 --> 00:38:17,760

a central organization in the analysis

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00:38:22,230 --> 00:38:20,240

of the return material we've got new

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00:38:24,470 --> 00:38:22,240

laboratories that we've installed over

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00:38:26,710 --> 00:38:24,480

the last couple years a new instrument

846

00:38:27,910 --> 00:38:26,720

being developed right now

847

00:38:29,670 --> 00:38:27,920

that we're really looking forward to

848

00:38:31,829 --> 00:38:29,680

analyzing that material with

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00:38:33,190 --> 00:38:31,839

but the science team really spans the

850

00:38:34,790 --> 00:38:33,200

entire globe

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00:38:36,710 --> 00:38:34,800

we've got key organizations in the

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00:38:39,109 --> 00:38:36,720

united states like nasa's goddard space

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00:38:40,390 --> 00:38:39,119

flight center johnson space center that

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00:38:42,550 --> 00:38:40,400

are going to play central roles in the

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00:38:44,790 --> 00:38:42,560

sample analysis program and then we've

856

00:38:47,190 --> 00:38:44,800

got team members in canada in japan and

857

00:38:48,870 --> 00:38:47,200

australia throughout europe uh that are

858

00:38:50,790 --> 00:38:48,880

going to be involved in the program as

859

00:38:52,790 --> 00:38:50,800

well and we'll be able to talk about

860

00:38:55,030 --> 00:38:52,800

that and roll that plan out over the

861

00:38:57,270 --> 00:38:55,040

next year or so as we finalize the

862

00:38:59,510 --> 00:38:57,280

details on that but i can tell you based

863

00:39:01,670 --> 00:38:59,520

on what i've seen today uh we're looking

864

00:39:02,950 --> 00:39:01,680

at hopefully a lot of material and a lot

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00:39:04,550 --> 00:39:02,960

of great science coming out of the

866

00:39:06,630 --> 00:39:04,560

sample analysis phase of those irish

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00:39:07,990 --> 00:39:06,640

wrecks

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00:39:09,990 --> 00:39:08,000

thank you great thank you

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00:39:15,349 --> 00:39:10,000

congratulations

870

00:39:20,630 --> 00:39:19,109

leo in wright of irish tv your line is

871

00:39:22,790 --> 00:39:20,640

open

872

00:39:24,390 --> 00:39:22,800

uh thanks very much for doing this and

873

00:39:27,109 --> 00:39:24,400

congratulations

874

00:39:30,069 --> 00:39:27,119

a couple of questions one for uh rich

875

00:39:33,430 --> 00:39:30,079

burns uh you you mentioned uh the

876

00:39:35,589 --> 00:39:33,440

possibility of maybe less of a sample

877

00:39:38,230 --> 00:39:35,599

than you would hope for now i realize

878

00:39:39,990 --> 00:39:38,240

this is unlikely but if you found that

879

00:39:41,270 --> 00:39:40,000

you had less of a sample than you

880

00:39:44,230 --> 00:39:41,280

expected

881

00:39:46,390 --> 00:39:44,240

is there a plan b can you go back or is

882

00:39:49,829 --> 00:39:46,400

uh or is that it

883

00:39:51,670 --> 00:39:49,839

um and also for dr loretta

884

00:39:54,390 --> 00:39:51,680

can can you talk a little bit about the

885

00:39:57,910 --> 00:39:54,400

rocks that we saw you mentioned that the

886

00:39:59,829 --> 00:39:57,920

the rocks seem to fragment very easily

887

00:40:02,390 --> 00:39:59,839

what can you say about the nature of

888

00:40:04,790 --> 00:40:02,400

these rocks and whether for instance if

889

00:40:09,990 --> 00:40:04,800

i pick one up would i be able to crumble

890

00:40:14,630 --> 00:40:11,670

very much for that question uh it's a

891

00:40:17,270 --> 00:40:14,640

great one uh if we if we for some reason

892

00:40:19,430 --> 00:40:17,280

decided not to stow this sample uh if we

893

00:40:21,430 --> 00:40:19,440

determined this the mass was not

894

00:40:23,270 --> 00:40:21,440

sufficient that we wanted to go back we

895

00:40:25,190 --> 00:40:23,280

can in fact go back

896

00:40:27,349 --> 00:40:25,200

we have three nitrogen bottles which

897

00:40:28,470 --> 00:40:27,359

allows us to touch the surface three

898

00:40:30,790 --> 00:40:28,480

times

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00:40:32,069 --> 00:40:30,800

of course we've disturbed as you saw in

900

00:40:33,589 --> 00:40:32,079

the in the

901  
00:40:36,790 --> 00:40:33,599  
animation are not the animation but the

902  
00:40:39,109 --> 00:40:36,800  
images that dante showed we've disturbed

903  
00:40:40,309 --> 00:40:39,119  
the surface of nightingale in a radical

904  
00:40:42,470 --> 00:40:40,319  
way

905  
00:40:44,150 --> 00:40:42,480  
so we won't be going back to

906  
00:40:45,190 --> 00:40:44,160  
nightingale at least for our second

907  
00:40:47,109 --> 00:40:45,200  
attempt

908  
00:40:49,349 --> 00:40:47,119  
we would go to our backup site which is

909  
00:40:51,670 --> 00:40:49,359  
called osprey which is a near equatorial

910  
00:40:54,630 --> 00:40:51,680  
site and we're prepared to do that in

911  
00:40:56,309 --> 00:40:54,640  
the in the mid-january time frame

912  
00:40:57,589 --> 00:40:56,319  
i'll turn it over to dante for answer

913  
00:41:00,470 --> 00:40:57,599

the second question

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00:41:02,069 --> 00:41:00,480

yeah the rocks on the asteroid surface

915

00:41:04,150 --> 00:41:02,079

uh have turned out to be fascinating

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00:41:06,150 --> 00:41:04,160

scientifically and the team has done an

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00:41:07,990 --> 00:41:06,160

amazing job processing all of the remote

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00:41:10,069 --> 00:41:08,000

sensing data that we've acquired

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00:41:13,430 --> 00:41:10,079

starting in late 2018 and throughout

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00:41:15,270 --> 00:41:13,440

2019 i can answer the question that

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00:41:18,390 --> 00:41:15,280

first of all the surface seems to be

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00:41:21,270 --> 00:41:18,400

dominated by two distinct rock types we

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00:41:23,270 --> 00:41:21,280

see a very dark kind of hummucky rock

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00:41:26,230 --> 00:41:23,280

which looks like the one that we crushed

925

00:41:28,470 --> 00:41:26,240

underneath it and from recent analysis

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00:41:30,470 --> 00:41:28,480

uh using the thermal data how the rock

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00:41:32,710 --> 00:41:30,480

heats up and cools off we actually

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00:41:34,630 --> 00:41:32,720

inferred that these rocks might be very

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00:41:36,710 --> 00:41:34,640

weak compared to what we're used to

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00:41:38,630 --> 00:41:36,720

dealing with here on earth and most

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00:41:40,790 --> 00:41:38,640

exciting i think for me as a sample

932

00:41:42,470 --> 00:41:40,800

scientist very weak compared to the

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00:41:44,309 --> 00:41:42,480

meteorites that are currently in our

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00:41:46,550 --> 00:41:44,319

collections here on earth

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00:41:48,710 --> 00:41:46,560

so i think what we've seen is that our

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00:41:51,430 --> 00:41:48,720

meteorites are possibly a biased sample

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00:41:53,349 --> 00:41:51,440

that they're only the most uh sturdy and

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00:41:55,030 --> 00:41:53,359

strong material that survives passage

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00:41:56,630 --> 00:41:55,040

through the earth's atmosphere and it

940

00:41:58,710 --> 00:41:56,640

looks like the material that dominates

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00:42:01,109 --> 00:41:58,720

the surface of bennu might be much more

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00:42:03,190 --> 00:42:01,119

fragile and friable and with this

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00:42:05,589 --> 00:42:03,200

interaction of tag sam with the asteroid

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00:42:07,270 --> 00:42:05,599

surface that seems to be playing out i

945

00:42:09,430 --> 00:42:07,280

can tell you the science team is already

946

00:42:10,950 --> 00:42:09,440

excited uh about the possibility of

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00:42:13,109 --> 00:42:10,960

getting a direct strength measurement

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00:42:14,790 --> 00:42:13,119

through detailed analysis of this image

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00:42:16,230 --> 00:42:14,800

sequence especially this these two

950

00:42:18,550 --> 00:42:16,240

images right before and right after

951

00:42:21,349 --> 00:42:18,560

contact the second kind of rock that

952

00:42:23,430 --> 00:42:21,359

we've seen on bennu is a little brighter

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00:42:25,430 --> 00:42:23,440

it tends to be shot through with bright

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00:42:27,829 --> 00:42:25,440

white veins or white inclusions that

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00:42:29,430 --> 00:42:27,839

we've identified as a mineral carbonate

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00:42:32,069 --> 00:42:29,440

this is a mineral people are probably

957

00:42:34,230 --> 00:42:32,079

familiar with it forms a kind of white

958

00:42:35,750 --> 00:42:34,240

crud around your faucets and sinks if

959

00:42:37,990 --> 00:42:35,760

you live in an area with hard water it's

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00:42:39,829 --> 00:42:38,000

basically an evaporite and those rocks

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00:42:41,589 --> 00:42:39,839

seem to be a little stronger probably

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00:42:43,270 --> 00:42:41,599

because of that material that has

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00:42:45,030 --> 00:42:43,280

cemented them together

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00:42:46,470 --> 00:42:45,040

we do see maybe some hints that there

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00:42:48,390 --> 00:42:46,480

was some of that brighter material

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00:42:50,309 --> 00:42:48,400

smaller fragments of it underneath the

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00:42:52,069 --> 00:42:50,319

tag sam head but the team is going in

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00:42:53,990 --> 00:42:52,079

for detailed analysis to determine if

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00:42:55,910 --> 00:42:54,000

that's in fact the case and then i'll

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00:42:57,349 --> 00:42:55,920

just said mineralogically we've done a

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00:42:59,510 --> 00:42:57,359

pretty good job understanding what these

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00:43:02,390 --> 00:42:59,520

rocks are made out of they're definitely

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00:43:05,109 --> 00:43:02,400

dominated by hydrated minerals that is

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00:43:06,550 --> 00:43:05,119

clays that have water contained in their

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00:43:08,470 --> 00:43:06,560

crystal structure

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00:43:10,829 --> 00:43:08,480

that's very exciting scientifically

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00:43:13,430 --> 00:43:10,839

we've also seen an iron oxide called

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00:43:15,510 --> 00:43:13,440

magnetite abundant organic material

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00:43:17,190 --> 00:43:15,520

particularly carbon hydrogen bonded

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00:43:19,190 --> 00:43:17,200

material which is really what this

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00:43:20,870 --> 00:43:19,200

mission is all about bringing back home

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00:43:24,069 --> 00:43:20,880

and then that carbonate material that i

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00:43:31,750 --> 00:43:25,190

thank you

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00:43:39,349 --> 00:43:36,230

um nova pbs carolina's open

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00:43:42,230 --> 00:43:39,359

hi everyone um firstly congratulations

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00:43:44,710 --> 00:43:42,240

this is just super exciting and i know

987

00:43:47,190 --> 00:43:44,720

that we're all to use your point earlier

988

00:43:49,910 --> 00:43:47,200

over the asteroid for all of you guys

989

00:43:52,630 --> 00:43:49,920

and if i'm wondering from the images

990

00:43:54,470 --> 00:43:52,640

that you have currently i know during

991

00:43:56,230 --> 00:43:54,480

monday's press conferences there's a lot

992

00:43:57,430 --> 00:43:56,240

of conversation about

993

00:43:58,390 --> 00:43:57,440

diversity

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00:44:00,309 --> 00:43:58,400

in

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00:44:02,790 --> 00:44:00,319

regard to the size of

996

00:44:05,030 --> 00:44:02,800

the sample pieces as well as the

997

00:44:06,790 --> 00:44:05,040

material and everything so

998

00:44:08,390 --> 00:44:06,800

is there any clue from the images that

999

00:44:10,470 --> 00:44:08,400

you have currently that we have a good

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00:44:12,309 --> 00:44:10,480

diversity of really small pieces and

1001

00:44:14,550 --> 00:44:12,319

maybe pieces closer to that two

1002

00:44:16,309 --> 00:44:14,560

centimeter mark and maybe of different

1003

00:44:18,470 --> 00:44:16,319

types of material as well

1004

00:44:20,150 --> 00:44:18,480

um i guess that's for dante or really

1005

00:44:23,349 --> 00:44:20,160

anyone just an answer

1006

00:44:25,990 --> 00:44:23,359

yeah i'll take that um i could say just

1007

00:44:28,390 --> 00:44:26,000

within the past hour or so i got the

1008

00:44:30,230 --> 00:44:28,400

analysis from my image processing team

1009

00:44:32,870 --> 00:44:30,240

about the exact location where we think

1010

00:44:34,710 --> 00:44:32,880

the tag sam had made contact uh so i

1011

00:44:36,230 --> 00:44:34,720

haven't had time to process that

1012

00:44:38,470 --> 00:44:36,240

information i know that team is busy

1013

00:44:40,950 --> 00:44:38,480

analyzing that but from that quick look

1014

00:44:43,510 --> 00:44:40,960

assessment it does appear that we made

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00:44:45,829 --> 00:44:43,520

contact with an area that had already

1016

00:44:48,390 --> 00:44:45,839

been mapped out and verified to contain

1017

00:44:50,470 --> 00:44:48,400

abundant sampleable material rich

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00:44:52,790 --> 00:44:50,480

mentioned the imaging resolution during

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00:44:54,630 --> 00:44:52,800

the recon c characterization of

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00:44:57,270 --> 00:44:54,640

nightingale where we got down to that

1021

00:44:59,589 --> 00:44:57,280

four millimeter per pixel scale uh so

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00:45:00,790 --> 00:44:59,599

that this region does look uh really

1023

00:45:03,190 --> 00:45:00,800

sampleable

1024

00:45:04,870 --> 00:45:03,200

uh lots of small particles and then the

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00:45:06,630 --> 00:45:04,880

fact that the material just crushed

1026  
00:45:09,030 --> 00:45:06,640  
underneath the tag sam is just going to

1027  
00:45:10,870 --> 00:45:09,040  
add more smaller particles for us to

1028  
00:45:12,950 --> 00:45:10,880  
collect but i don't want to answer the

1029  
00:45:14,950 --> 00:45:12,960  
question just yet about the diversity of

1030  
00:45:16,470 --> 00:45:14,960  
the rock types there because the team is

1031  
00:45:17,990 --> 00:45:16,480  
still processing that

1032  
00:45:22,150 --> 00:45:18,000  
right up to the beginning of this this

1033  
00:45:22,160 --> 00:45:26,150  
operator next question

1034  
00:45:26,160 --> 00:45:30,230  
thank you

1035  
00:45:41,270 --> 00:45:34,790  
and

1036  
00:45:45,670 --> 00:45:43,510  
uh thank you um i wonder if you could

1037  
00:45:47,430 --> 00:45:45,680  
explain a little bit more about how you

1038  
00:45:49,270 --> 00:45:47,440

will measure how much sample you've

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00:45:53,430 --> 00:45:49,280

collected besides the possibility of

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00:45:57,670 --> 00:45:55,349

yeah so we've got a sample mass

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00:45:59,750 --> 00:45:57,680

measurement activity so we've been

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00:46:01,430 --> 00:45:59,760

practicing this as i think dante rich

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00:46:03,270 --> 00:46:01,440

mentioned around our checkpoint and our

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00:46:05,030 --> 00:46:03,280

match point burns

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00:46:07,589 --> 00:46:05,040

or activities where we can extend the

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00:46:09,589 --> 00:46:07,599

arm and rotate the spacecraft and we can

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00:46:12,150 --> 00:46:09,599

measure the moment of inertia and by

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00:46:13,990 --> 00:46:12,160

doing that before tag and doing that

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00:46:15,349 --> 00:46:14,000

same activity after tag we can take the

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00:46:16,790 --> 00:46:15,359

difference in those measurements to

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00:46:19,270 --> 00:46:16,800

estimate the mass

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00:46:21,190 --> 00:46:19,280

so we did perform our pre-tag sample

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00:46:23,670 --> 00:46:21,200

mass measurement activity about 10 days

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00:46:25,349 --> 00:46:23,680

ago and we'll do our post tag one this

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00:46:26,950 --> 00:46:25,359

saturday and we'll be able to take those

1056

00:46:28,550 --> 00:46:26,960

two measurements and look at the

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00:46:30,630 --> 00:46:28,560

difference of them to get that estimate

1058

00:46:34,309 --> 00:46:30,640

of how much mass we believe is inside of

1059

00:46:34,319 --> 00:46:37,990

operator next question

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00:46:43,270 --> 00:46:40,150

thank you

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00:46:45,829 --> 00:46:43,280

chuck fields of your space journey your

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00:46:48,069 --> 00:46:45,839

line is open

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00:46:49,510 --> 00:46:48,079

i thank you everyone um for taking my

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00:46:51,829 --> 00:46:49,520

call and just congratulations to the

1065

00:46:53,670 --> 00:46:51,839

entire team i'm just wondering what are

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00:46:56,150 --> 00:46:53,680

the reasons for waiting until january

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00:46:58,230 --> 00:46:56,160

for a second collection attempt and if

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00:47:00,390 --> 00:46:58,240

the third attempt is required have you

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00:47:04,390 --> 00:47:00,400

determined when will that take place and

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00:47:09,190 --> 00:47:07,910

so uh yeah great question uh the the

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00:47:11,589 --> 00:47:09,200

reason that were

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00:47:13,829 --> 00:47:11,599

we would do a second attempt at

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00:47:17,030 --> 00:47:13,839

osprey in january as you saw we're

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00:47:19,190 --> 00:47:17,040

backing away from the asteroid right now

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00:47:21,349 --> 00:47:19,200

and i mentioned that

1076  
00:47:24,470 --> 00:47:21,359  
we'd be about 80 kilometers when we make

1077  
00:47:26,870 --> 00:47:24,480  
a maneuver to arrest that drift away on

1078  
00:47:29,589 --> 00:47:26,880  
friday that will put us on a trajectory

1079  
00:47:32,150 --> 00:47:29,599  
that goes to a to a waypoint where we

1080  
00:47:34,710 --> 00:47:32,160  
can re-enter orbit you see the orbit in

1081  
00:47:37,910 --> 00:47:34,720  
that animation that was just shown is a

1082  
00:47:38,790 --> 00:47:37,920  
tenuous uh as a tenuous trick for to get

1083  
00:47:41,430 --> 00:47:38,800  
into

1084  
00:47:43,510 --> 00:47:41,440  
uh then it was only 500 meters

1085  
00:47:45,829 --> 00:47:43,520  
in diameter so its gravity feel is

1086  
00:47:49,190 --> 00:47:45,839  
extraordinarily weak just getting into

1087  
00:47:51,750 --> 00:47:49,200  
orbit takes weeks of maneuvering to get

1088  
00:47:53,910 --> 00:47:51,760

to get there and we want and we also

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00:47:56,549 --> 00:47:53,920

have to phase the orbit appropriately so

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00:47:59,030 --> 00:47:56,559

we depart for the next sample collection

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00:48:01,270 --> 00:47:59,040

attempt at the right latitude

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00:48:03,990 --> 00:48:01,280

uh all that takes weeks of planning and

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00:48:05,430 --> 00:48:04,000

preparation uh we also have to prepare

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00:48:08,150 --> 00:48:05,440

the spacecraft

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00:48:11,430 --> 00:48:08,160

to to tag at a different site

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00:48:13,589 --> 00:48:11,440

which involves uh

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00:48:15,829 --> 00:48:13,599

generating the spacecraft commands

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00:48:18,630 --> 00:48:15,839

testing them and so forth so that that

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00:48:20,950 --> 00:48:18,640

runs out the timeline to january

1100

00:48:23,589 --> 00:48:20,960

and then the third sample

1101

00:48:26,549 --> 00:48:23,599

attempt would be uh

1102

00:48:28,069 --> 00:48:26,559

to be determined uh date most likely in

1103

00:48:30,150 --> 00:48:28,079

march

1104

00:48:32,950 --> 00:48:30,160

when we'd be attempting a third attempt

1105

00:48:34,710 --> 00:48:32,960

but it largely depends on what happens

1106

00:48:37,990 --> 00:48:34,720

at osprey

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00:48:40,069 --> 00:48:38,000

if we were to go to osprey in january

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00:48:41,589 --> 00:48:40,079

and wave off abort

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00:48:44,390 --> 00:48:41,599

for some reason and not touch the

1110

00:48:45,829 --> 00:48:44,400

surface and not disturb osprey as we've

1111

00:48:47,510 --> 00:48:45,839

seen

1112

00:48:48,390 --> 00:48:47,520

the the dramatic disturbance of

1113

00:48:50,710 --> 00:48:48,400

nightingale

1114

00:48:52,870 --> 00:48:50,720

we go back to osprey

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00:48:55,430 --> 00:48:52,880

if we did disturb osprey that's a

1116

00:48:57,670 --> 00:48:55,440

contingency that we would have to either

1117

00:48:59,430 --> 00:48:57,680

uh perform more reconnaissance over one

1118

00:49:01,589 --> 00:48:59,440

of the two

1119

00:49:03,510 --> 00:49:01,599

nightingale or osprey or follow some

1120

00:49:05,910 --> 00:49:03,520

other path

1121

00:49:07,990 --> 00:49:05,920

and the reason i'm saying that is we use

1122

00:49:09,190 --> 00:49:08,000

optical navigation to get down to the

1123

00:49:10,870 --> 00:49:09,200

surface so

1124

00:49:12,549 --> 00:49:10,880

much as you're driving to

1125

00:49:15,109 --> 00:49:12,559

some location your local town and you

1126  
00:49:16,870 --> 00:49:15,119  
know where you are where gas station is

1127  
00:49:18,950 --> 00:49:16,880  
or supermarket

1128  
00:49:21,510 --> 00:49:18,960  
the spacecraft knows where it is by

1129  
00:49:23,990 --> 00:49:21,520  
features on the surface so groups of

1130  
00:49:26,230 --> 00:49:24,000  
rocks that cast shadows or just clusters

1131  
00:49:28,790 --> 00:49:26,240  
of rocks that have distinctive features

1132  
00:49:30,390 --> 00:49:28,800  
are recognized by the spacecraft in its

1133  
00:49:32,390 --> 00:49:30,400  
imagery as it descends

1134  
00:49:34,069 --> 00:49:32,400  
and it knows where to go it knows to

1135  
00:49:36,630 --> 00:49:34,079  
take the right turn at the supermarket

1136  
00:49:39,430 --> 00:49:36,640  
to get to the center of the site so

1137  
00:49:41,990 --> 00:49:39,440  
once we disturb all those features

1138  
00:49:43,829 --> 00:49:42,000

that means we're going to need to take

1139

00:49:45,670 --> 00:49:43,839

more images and build a new set of

1140

00:49:47,349 --> 00:49:45,680

feature catalogs to

1141

00:49:49,510 --> 00:49:47,359

teach the spacecraft where the grocery

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00:49:50,309 --> 00:49:49,520

store is

1143

00:49:52,790 --> 00:49:50,319

great

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00:49:56,309 --> 00:49:52,800

thank you rich operator next question

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00:50:03,109 --> 00:49:59,750

joshua ortega of course i need your line

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00:50:06,390 --> 00:50:04,549

thank you for having me and uh

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00:50:08,790 --> 00:50:06,400

congratulations to everybody involved in

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00:50:10,549 --> 00:50:08,800

this mission um

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00:50:13,430 --> 00:50:10,559

what was one of the biggest discoveries

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00:50:15,910 --> 00:50:13,440

that uh that you made in making contact

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00:50:17,829 --> 00:50:15,920

with the asteroid venue

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00:50:20,309 --> 00:50:17,839

that you didn't that you didn't expect

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00:50:22,549 --> 00:50:20,319

and my second question is

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00:50:24,710 --> 00:50:22,559

what is the future applicability of

1155

00:50:30,870 --> 00:50:24,720

future projects with some of the

1156

00:50:35,030 --> 00:50:32,630

i guess i'll take the discovery question

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00:50:37,270 --> 00:50:35,040

i could say we've had the data down for

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00:50:40,710 --> 00:50:37,280

just a little over 13 hours so the

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00:50:42,390 --> 00:50:40,720

discoveries are still uh to come

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00:50:45,030 --> 00:50:42,400

really we're you know what i was looking

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00:50:46,710 --> 00:50:45,040

at yes this morning two o'clock here

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00:50:48,950 --> 00:50:46,720

denver time after being up through a

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00:50:51,109 --> 00:50:48,960

very exciting event was how does it look

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00:50:52,470 --> 00:50:51,119

in terms of getting the sample

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00:50:53,750 --> 00:50:52,480

so the science is something that we're

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00:50:54,630 --> 00:50:53,760

going to think of down the road a little

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00:50:56,630 --> 00:50:54,640

bit

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00:50:59,670 --> 00:50:56,640

but i can tell you that

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00:51:01,750 --> 00:50:59,680

i i was hopeful that the surface was

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00:51:04,549 --> 00:51:01,760

going to be soft and crushable

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00:51:06,230 --> 00:51:04,559

and that was confirmed by our contact

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00:51:07,990 --> 00:51:06,240

with the tag same analysis of the images

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00:51:09,589 --> 00:51:08,000

that we've seen here so far so that is

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00:51:11,589 --> 00:51:09,599

really good news

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00:51:13,109 --> 00:51:11,599

so i'm pretty focused on sampling

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00:51:15,109 --> 00:51:13,119

success right now

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00:51:17,510 --> 00:51:15,119

i i will tell you the science team is

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00:51:19,990 --> 00:51:17,520

busy in a couple of different areas they

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00:51:22,630 --> 00:51:20,000

are working through a detailed analysis

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00:51:25,030 --> 00:51:22,640

of this entire image sequence along with

1181

00:51:27,430 --> 00:51:25,040

additional data from the spacecraft uh

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00:51:29,430 --> 00:51:27,440

guidance navigation and control team

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00:51:31,270 --> 00:51:29,440

about exactly what happened when the

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00:51:34,069 --> 00:51:31,280

spacecraft was in contact for those six

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00:51:36,069 --> 00:51:34,079

seconds uh that'll tell us a lot about

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00:51:37,829 --> 00:51:36,079

tag sam performance and there's also

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00:51:40,710 --> 00:51:37,839

follow on science that we'll be able to

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00:51:43,270 --> 00:51:40,720

do with that information but um right

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00:51:45,589 --> 00:51:43,280

now i would say the big discovery is

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00:51:47,750 --> 00:51:45,599

that it looked really sampleable uh that

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00:51:49,589 --> 00:51:47,760

the tag same had pushed into the surface

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00:51:51,750 --> 00:51:49,599

and that it was in a very good position

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00:51:52,870 --> 00:51:51,760

when that gas fired to collect a lot of

1194

00:51:54,309 --> 00:51:52,880

material

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00:51:55,910 --> 00:51:54,319

so we still have all the confirmation

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00:51:57,750 --> 00:51:55,920

activities that sandy walked us through

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00:52:00,230 --> 00:51:57,760

earlier in the briefing to verify all

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00:52:01,910 --> 00:52:00,240

that but the trend right now is that we

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00:52:03,190 --> 00:52:01,920

we have sample and that we were

1200

00:52:05,829 --> 00:52:03,200

successful here

1201  
00:52:07,589 --> 00:52:05,839  
based on analysis of this image this set

1202  
00:52:09,990 --> 00:52:07,599  
of images yeah i'd love to speak to the

1203  
00:52:11,910 --> 00:52:10,000  
second part of that question if possible

1204  
00:52:14,549 --> 00:52:11,920  
um yeah so

1205  
00:52:16,790 --> 00:52:14,559  
the question was what technologies uh on

1206  
00:52:19,829 --> 00:52:16,800  
board this on the for the spacecraft can

1207  
00:52:21,030 --> 00:52:19,839  
enable future future missions

1208  
00:52:24,069 --> 00:52:21,040  
and

1209  
00:52:26,150 --> 00:52:24,079  
i think one of the most amazing

1210  
00:52:28,069 --> 00:52:26,160  
technologies is the optical navigation

1211  
00:52:29,829 --> 00:52:28,079  
system i talked about what we call

1212  
00:52:32,549 --> 00:52:29,839  
natural feature tracking

1213  
00:52:34,390 --> 00:52:32,559

and it has an actually an amazing story

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00:52:37,510 --> 00:52:34,400

uh the spacecraft is actually was

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00:52:40,870 --> 00:52:37,520

originally designed to use a a lidar to

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00:52:44,390 --> 00:52:40,880

measure the altitude uh to the surface

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00:52:47,030 --> 00:52:44,400

as as its primary uh sensor to to do the

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00:52:47,829 --> 00:52:47,040

navigation to the surface

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00:52:49,589 --> 00:52:47,839

but

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00:52:51,589 --> 00:52:49,599

natural feature tracking or optical

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00:52:54,790 --> 00:52:51,599

navigation was added around the critical

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00:52:57,349 --> 00:52:54,800

design review time period

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00:52:59,670 --> 00:52:57,359

in order to have a backup solution

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00:53:02,309 --> 00:52:59,680

and what as i mentioned what it does is

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00:53:04,150 --> 00:53:02,319

recognize features on the surface of the

1226

00:53:06,549 --> 00:53:04,160

of the asteroid and then

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00:53:08,950 --> 00:53:06,559

update its own sense of its position so

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00:53:12,069 --> 00:53:08,960

it knows where to go in the future

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00:53:15,190 --> 00:53:12,079

now uh this uh this technology being

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00:53:17,109 --> 00:53:15,200

added late in the game was was done by

1231

00:53:19,190 --> 00:53:17,119

our colleagues at lockheed martin and it

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00:53:21,349 --> 00:53:19,200

was an amazing accomplishment of

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00:53:22,710 --> 00:53:21,359

amazing engineering accomplishment

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00:53:25,030 --> 00:53:22,720

and one of the

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00:53:27,990 --> 00:53:25,040

most amazing performances

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00:53:30,870 --> 00:53:28,000

of the system yesterday was just how

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00:53:32,790 --> 00:53:30,880

well that system performed relative to

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00:53:35,270 --> 00:53:32,800

our simulations of it

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00:53:38,230 --> 00:53:35,280

optical navigation systems are notorious

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00:53:40,870 --> 00:53:38,240

for not performing as expected and this

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00:53:42,470 --> 00:53:40,880

one performed exactly as expected and

1242

00:53:44,309 --> 00:53:42,480

allowed us to hit that center of the

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00:53:46,150 --> 00:53:44,319

target within a meter

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00:53:48,950 --> 00:53:46,160

so our colleagues at lockheed martin

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00:53:50,069 --> 00:53:48,960

deserve a lot of credit for that

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00:53:51,829 --> 00:53:50,079

and

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00:53:53,510 --> 00:53:51,839

how that gets applied in the future is

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00:53:55,829 --> 00:53:53,520

it will allow

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00:53:58,870 --> 00:53:55,839

for autonomous navigation for other deep

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00:54:02,549 --> 00:53:58,880

space missions to small bodies or not

1251  
00:54:04,309 --> 00:54:02,559  
for landing or cir or navigation around

1252  
00:54:06,390 --> 00:54:04,319  
uh hazardous or non-hazardous

1253  
00:54:08,470 --> 00:54:06,400  
environments so i don't know if sandy do

1254  
00:54:11,030 --> 00:54:08,480  
you want to follow on to that at all

1255  
00:54:13,349 --> 00:54:11,040  
yeah definitely um i would have for sure

1256  
00:54:15,349 --> 00:54:13,359  
pointed out natural feature tracking as

1257  
00:54:17,430 --> 00:54:15,359  
a capability that i can see useful in

1258  
00:54:19,430 --> 00:54:17,440  
the future i'll also point out that tag

1259  
00:54:20,630 --> 00:54:19,440  
sam is new technology flying onboard the

1260  
00:54:22,390 --> 00:54:20,640  
spacecraft

1261  
00:54:24,470 --> 00:54:22,400  
and you can see that going forward after

1262  
00:54:27,270 --> 00:54:24,480  
future sample collection sample return

1263  
00:54:32,230 --> 00:54:29,670

and one more quick question for the nasa

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00:54:33,510 --> 00:54:32,240

representatives uh what is this

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00:54:35,270 --> 00:54:33,520

is this the first time working with the

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00:54:37,270 --> 00:54:35,280

university of arizona and what does this

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00:54:39,990 --> 00:54:37,280

say

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00:54:42,630 --> 00:54:40,000

about about the school and future

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00:54:46,470 --> 00:54:42,640

projects with the school as well

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00:54:48,150 --> 00:54:46,480

uh and thomas here um um head of science

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00:54:50,630 --> 00:54:48,160

i know this is not the first time i

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00:54:53,670 --> 00:54:50,640

think of the university of

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00:54:55,670 --> 00:54:53,680

uh here it's sauna and it's a kind of uh

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00:54:58,390 --> 00:54:55,680

partner university off the street so to

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00:55:00,710 --> 00:54:58,400

say arizona state to really be kind of

1276  
00:55:02,789 --> 00:55:00,720  
meccas of planetary science uh and

1277  
00:55:03,990 --> 00:55:02,799  
exploration the university of arizona

1278  
00:55:05,750 --> 00:55:04,000  
has

1279  
00:55:07,910 --> 00:55:05,760  
had the principal investigator of

1280  
00:55:09,670 --> 00:55:07,920  
multiple missions and continues to

1281  
00:55:11,589 --> 00:55:09,680  
compete very well

1282  
00:55:12,710 --> 00:55:11,599  
in many different

1283  
00:55:14,789 --> 00:55:12,720  
areas

1284  
00:55:16,630 --> 00:55:14,799  
and uh and really especially in

1285  
00:55:19,910 --> 00:55:16,640  
planetary science at the university of

1286  
00:55:21,750 --> 00:55:19,920  
arizona is one of the top leaders in the

1287  
00:55:23,349 --> 00:55:21,760  
whole country

1288  
00:55:24,710 --> 00:55:23,359

what did you say about arizona state

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00:55:26,950 --> 00:55:24,720

university as well

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00:55:29,270 --> 00:55:26,960

university arizona state university

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00:55:31,430 --> 00:55:29,280

frankly is uh if you just lined up kind

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00:55:33,589 --> 00:55:31,440

of the top universities and planetary

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00:55:35,829 --> 00:55:33,599

science uh oaks university of arizona

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00:55:37,030 --> 00:55:35,839

the arizona state ranked in the top uh

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00:55:39,589 --> 00:55:37,040

in the top

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00:55:42,630 --> 00:55:39,599

uh you know part of of such a ranking

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00:55:44,309 --> 00:55:42,640

list so arizona state also at this

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00:55:46,710 --> 00:55:44,319

moment in time for example has a

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00:55:49,109 --> 00:55:46,720

principal investigator of a discovery uh

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00:55:50,710 --> 00:55:49,119

mission called psyche there's uh

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00:55:53,190 --> 00:55:50,720

instruments are being built there for

1302

00:55:55,750 --> 00:55:53,200

other missions so also arizona state is

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00:55:58,390 --> 00:55:55,760

a really a critical partner for nasa in

1304

00:56:00,870 --> 00:55:58,400

it in this and uh and also other

1305

00:56:02,150 --> 00:56:00,880

disciplines

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00:56:04,950 --> 00:56:02,160

thank you thank you very much for your

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00:56:04,960 --> 00:56:09,670

thank you operator next question

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00:56:14,390 --> 00:56:11,190

mark said

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00:56:16,309 --> 00:56:14,400

me magazine your line is open

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00:56:19,030 --> 00:56:16,319

hi thanks very much for taking my

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00:56:20,710 --> 00:56:19,040

question and congratulations to everyone

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00:56:23,109 --> 00:56:20,720

uh i just had a couple of questions on

1313

00:56:25,990 --> 00:56:23,119

the series of images that was released

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00:56:28,549 --> 00:56:26,000

and the really impressive rubble cloud

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00:56:30,309 --> 00:56:28,559

that this kicked up i just wondered if

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00:56:32,150 --> 00:56:30,319

you're able to green anything

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00:56:34,950 --> 00:56:32,160

scientifically about the surface

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00:56:37,030 --> 00:56:34,960

material from the dynamics of that cloud

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00:56:39,349 --> 00:56:37,040

and the locking particles that make it

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00:56:41,190 --> 00:56:39,359

up and then uh obviously you expect it

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00:56:42,950 --> 00:56:41,200

to make a mess but what kind of

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00:56:44,710 --> 00:56:42,960

safeguards or system checks are in place

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00:56:46,549 --> 00:56:44,720

to make sure that the craft wasn't

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00:56:48,390 --> 00:56:46,559

damaged by that

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00:56:51,510 --> 00:56:48,400

and then finally i was just curious what

1326  
00:56:53,109 --> 00:56:51,520  
is the time step between those images so

1327  
00:56:54,549 --> 00:56:53,119  
what's the effective frame rate of that

1328  
00:56:55,990 --> 00:56:54,559  
video

1329  
00:56:57,430 --> 00:56:56,000  
so i'll answer the imaging questions

1330  
00:57:00,230 --> 00:56:57,440  
i'll hand it over to sandy for the

1331  
00:57:02,150 --> 00:57:00,240  
safety assessment of the spacecraft uh

1332  
00:57:05,589 --> 00:57:02,160  
so right to your final question those

1333  
00:57:07,190 --> 00:57:05,599  
images are about 1.25 seconds apart

1334  
00:57:09,109 --> 00:57:07,200  
so the first version i showed which was

1335  
00:57:11,190 --> 00:57:09,119  
the larger image sequence was sped up by

1336  
00:57:13,349 --> 00:57:11,200  
uh by quite a bit relative that frame

1337  
00:57:15,750 --> 00:57:13,359  
rate

1338  
00:57:19,190 --> 00:57:15,760

in terms of the debris cloud absolutely

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00:57:21,589 --> 00:57:19,200

uh it actually is kind of uh impressive

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00:57:23,510 --> 00:57:21,599

uh the the fragments that we see flying

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00:57:24,630 --> 00:57:23,520

around there's there's some pretty large

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00:57:26,069 --> 00:57:24,640

particles

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00:57:27,829 --> 00:57:26,079

one of the things the science team has

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00:57:30,069 --> 00:57:27,839

already started doing is tracking the

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00:57:32,390 --> 00:57:30,079

trajectories of the particles

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00:57:34,390 --> 00:57:32,400

as we see them mobilizing across the

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00:57:35,829 --> 00:57:34,400

images here they're going by pretty fast

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00:57:37,349 --> 00:57:35,839

right now but obviously we're slowing

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00:57:39,349 --> 00:57:37,359

those down

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00:57:41,750 --> 00:57:39,359

identifying individual particles there's

1351  
00:57:43,430 --> 00:57:41,760  
other images too that we collected with

1352  
00:57:45,109 --> 00:57:43,440  
a different camera called the navcam the

1353  
00:57:46,549 --> 00:57:45,119  
one that was used for the natural

1354  
00:57:48,230 --> 00:57:46,559  
feature tracking

1355  
00:57:49,589 --> 00:57:48,240  
i was getting a quick look at those

1356  
00:57:51,829 --> 00:57:49,599  
right before the media conference those

1357  
00:57:53,750 --> 00:57:51,839  
are fresh off the spacecraft so we're

1358  
00:57:55,270 --> 00:57:53,760  
still processing those and analyzing

1359  
00:57:57,430 --> 00:57:55,280  
those and those will be released a

1360  
00:57:59,349 --> 00:57:57,440  
little later on this week but those give

1361  
00:58:01,510 --> 00:57:59,359  
us a wider field of view as well so

1362  
00:58:03,510 --> 00:58:01,520  
we're kind of getting this great a point

1363  
00:58:05,510 --> 00:58:03,520

of view of the sam cam contacting the

1364

00:58:07,349 --> 00:58:05,520

asteroid surface and all the particle

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00:58:09,270 --> 00:58:07,359

debris that we see and then we have the

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00:58:11,270 --> 00:58:09,280

nav cam 2 which is off pointed a little

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00:58:13,829 --> 00:58:11,280

bit in a wider field of view so it's

1368

00:58:15,750 --> 00:58:13,839

going to be a nice image pair

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00:58:17,670 --> 00:58:15,760

and i think the final thing to point out

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00:58:19,510 --> 00:58:17,680

is that the initial ejection of

1371

00:58:21,910 --> 00:58:19,520

particles actually comes from the tag

1372

00:58:24,069 --> 00:58:21,920

same gas as it was blown down through

1373

00:58:25,510 --> 00:58:24,079

that sample collector head

1374

00:58:27,349 --> 00:58:25,520

but you got to remember we were only in

1375

00:58:29,670 --> 00:58:27,359

contact with that asteroid for six

1376

00:58:31,750 --> 00:58:29,680

seconds after that point the back away

1377

00:58:34,069 --> 00:58:31,760

thrusters fired and those kicked up a

1378

00:58:36,470 --> 00:58:34,079

second set of cloud and debris

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00:58:38,870 --> 00:58:36,480

so we're still disentangling uh that

1380

00:58:40,870 --> 00:58:38,880

whole history what was liberated by tag

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00:58:43,670 --> 00:58:40,880

sam what was uh kicked up by the backway

1382

00:58:46,230 --> 00:58:43,680

thrusters and the navcam images are

1383

00:58:48,549 --> 00:58:46,240

pretty fresh right now on the ground so

1384

00:58:50,069 --> 00:58:48,559

we got a quick look at those uh they're

1385

00:58:51,589 --> 00:58:50,079

very impressive just to get everybody

1386

00:58:53,270 --> 00:58:51,599

excited uh but we're not ready to

1387

00:58:55,109 --> 00:58:53,280

release those because we haven't really

1388

00:58:56,390 --> 00:58:55,119

had a chance to process them ourselves

1389

00:58:58,470 --> 00:58:56,400

quite yet

1390

00:59:00,069 --> 00:58:58,480

uh i'll hand over to sandy about the

1391

00:59:01,990 --> 00:59:00,079

safety assessment

1392

00:59:03,990 --> 00:59:02,000

yeah so the spacecraft was designed for

1393

00:59:05,109 --> 00:59:04,000

this we knew when we made contact that

1394

00:59:07,430 --> 00:59:05,119

we were going to stir up a lot of

1395

00:59:09,670 --> 00:59:07,440

regolith there was a large back scatter

1396

00:59:11,109 --> 00:59:09,680

study done during development to make

1397

00:59:13,750 --> 00:59:11,119

sure that we would keep the spacecraft

1398

00:59:15,589 --> 00:59:13,760

safe now just by monitoring this

1399

00:59:17,670 --> 00:59:15,599

spacecraft over the last you know close

1400

00:59:19,589 --> 00:59:17,680

to 24 hours now we've been able to see a

1401

00:59:22,230 --> 00:59:19,599

number of components

1402

00:59:24,069 --> 00:59:22,240

and we're trending as our subsystems do

1403

00:59:25,750 --> 00:59:24,079

throughout making sure that things are

1404

00:59:27,589 --> 00:59:25,760

going as planned

1405

00:59:29,829 --> 00:59:27,599

and they're not seeing any any changes

1406

00:59:31,670 --> 00:59:29,839

in their measurements and now on next

1407

00:59:33,589 --> 00:59:31,680

week early next week i believe monday

1408

00:59:34,789 --> 00:59:33,599

we'll be doing a spacecraft checkout

1409

00:59:37,030 --> 00:59:34,799

where we'll get a chance to take some

1410

00:59:38,630 --> 00:59:37,040

star camera images on both of our

1411

00:59:40,230 --> 00:59:38,640

primary tracker and our redundant

1412

00:59:41,430 --> 00:59:40,240

tracker and we'll get to do some other

1413

00:59:43,349 --> 00:59:41,440

engineering

1414

00:59:45,030 --> 00:59:43,359

activities to better inform us if we've

1415

00:59:47,670 --> 00:59:45,040

had any sort of degradation on the

1416

00:59:53,990 --> 00:59:47,680

vehicle

1417

00:59:58,789 --> 00:59:56,549

lisa grossman of science new york is

1418

01:00:00,950 --> 00:59:58,799

open

1419

01:00:04,230 --> 01:00:00,960

hi thanks for taking my question um i

1420

01:00:05,829 --> 01:00:04,240

was wondering if you knew if any of the

1421

01:00:08,630 --> 01:00:05,839

regulars that got disturbed any of the

1422

01:00:11,349 --> 01:00:08,640

stuff that got uh tossed up into space

1423

01:00:14,150 --> 01:00:11,359

around the new would end up at earth and

1424

01:00:16,870 --> 01:00:14,160

if maybe you just created a new new year

1425

01:00:20,710 --> 01:00:19,030

hi lisa i'll answer that one uh you i

1426

01:00:22,390 --> 01:00:20,720

think you read my mind i certainly have

1427

01:00:24,549 --> 01:00:22,400

been thinking about that

1428

01:00:25,990 --> 01:00:24,559

uh we have thought about that as as i

1429

01:00:27,750 --> 01:00:26,000

mentioned yesterday and we've talked

1430

01:00:31,030 --> 01:00:27,760

about for quite a while on the mission

1431

01:00:33,030 --> 01:00:31,040

bennu is already kicking particles off

1432

01:00:35,750 --> 01:00:33,040

the surface and one of the things that

1433

01:00:37,829 --> 01:00:35,760

we are doing is monitoring for a meteor

1434

01:00:39,190 --> 01:00:37,839

shower which would have would occur in

1435

01:00:40,710 --> 01:00:39,200

the southern hemisphere in the third

1436

01:00:42,710 --> 01:00:40,720

week of september

1437

01:00:44,150 --> 01:00:42,720

which is when benny's orbit crosses that

1438

01:00:46,789 --> 01:00:44,160

of the earth's orbit

1439

01:00:48,390 --> 01:00:46,799

we actually had data just that we just

1440

01:00:50,470 --> 01:00:48,400

recently received from that meteor

1441

01:00:53,030 --> 01:00:50,480

campaign and we're still processing that

1442

01:00:55,589 --> 01:00:53,040

to see if there's maybe a small signal

1443

01:00:56,789 --> 01:00:55,599

but maybe not of bennu natural venue

1444

01:00:57,589 --> 01:00:56,799

meteors

1445

01:00:59,750 --> 01:00:57,599

so

1446

01:01:01,270 --> 01:00:59,760

that idea is already in place that kind

1447

01:01:02,470 --> 01:01:01,280

of study is something that we're already

1448

01:01:04,390 --> 01:01:02,480

pursuing

1449

01:01:05,670 --> 01:01:04,400

so i'm going to go back to that team

1450

01:01:07,829 --> 01:01:05,680

that's responsible for that

1451  
01:01:10,390 --> 01:01:07,839  
investigation with your exact question i

1452  
01:01:12,150 --> 01:01:10,400  
haven't had a chance to ask him that i

1453  
01:01:15,030 --> 01:01:12,160  
didn't dare to hope that we would kick

1454  
01:01:15,829 --> 01:01:15,040  
up as much debris as we're seeing here

1455  
01:01:17,910 --> 01:01:15,839  
so

1456  
01:01:19,750 --> 01:01:17,920  
i'm not sure but it's definitely a

1457  
01:01:21,750 --> 01:01:19,760  
question i've asked myself and we've got

1458  
01:01:23,430 --> 01:01:21,760  
team members who are thinking about that

1459  
01:01:25,589 --> 01:01:23,440  
based on bennu's natural particle

1460  
01:01:28,549 --> 01:01:25,599  
ejection events so it is a natural line

1461  
01:01:29,990 --> 01:01:28,559  
of inquiry but we just need some time to

1462  
01:01:32,069 --> 01:01:30,000  
to push through this very exciting

1463  
01:01:33,109 --> 01:01:32,079

operational phase of the program and

1464

01:01:35,430 --> 01:01:33,119

start to think about some of the

1465

01:01:37,670 --> 01:01:35,440

long-term science implications we do

1466

01:01:38,630 --> 01:01:37,680

have a phenomenal scientific data set

1467

01:01:40,870 --> 01:01:38,640

tag

1468

01:01:42,309 --> 01:01:40,880

was a great science experiment

1469

01:01:43,990 --> 01:01:42,319

uh and so there's going to be a lot of

1470

01:01:46,230 --> 01:01:44,000

work that comes out of it but but we

1471

01:01:48,390 --> 01:01:46,240

need time to get the data down to get it

1472

01:01:50,549 --> 01:01:48,400

calibrated processed and let's just

1473

01:01:52,309 --> 01:01:50,559

spend some time thinking about it

1474

01:01:53,829 --> 01:01:52,319

without all these critical operational

1475

01:01:57,190 --> 01:01:53,839

decisions in front of us like we have

1476

01:01:57,200 --> 01:02:01,990

okay next question operator

1477

01:02:07,829 --> 01:02:03,589

stephen clark

1478

01:02:10,150 --> 01:02:07,839

is right now your line is open

1479

01:02:13,029 --> 01:02:10,160

hi thanks for taking another question um

1480

01:02:15,109 --> 01:02:13,039

dante the material that we see in the

1481

01:02:17,750 --> 01:02:15,119

imagery that was disturbed and kicked up

1482

01:02:19,029 --> 01:02:17,760

uh with the tag event any estimate yet

1483

01:02:21,430 --> 01:02:19,039

on how some how big some of those

1484

01:02:23,510 --> 01:02:21,440

particles might be um they look kind of

1485

01:02:24,549 --> 01:02:23,520

small but uh it's hard to tell from the

1486

01:02:27,829 --> 01:02:24,559

scale

1487

01:02:30,870 --> 01:02:27,839

and also uh if if you did collect the

1488

01:02:32,789 --> 01:02:30,880

the required sample of 60 plus grams

1489

01:02:34,710 --> 01:02:32,799

what is uh the flight plan for

1490

01:02:36,470 --> 01:02:34,720

osiris-rex over the next few months and

1491

01:02:40,150 --> 01:02:36,480

do you have a

1492

01:02:42,150 --> 01:02:40,160

date for departure for earth thanks

1493

01:02:44,069 --> 01:02:42,160

yeah great question stephen can we bring

1494

01:02:45,349 --> 01:02:44,079

up the the third set of images that i

1495

01:02:46,789 --> 01:02:45,359

was showing here where we were looking

1496

01:02:48,390 --> 01:02:46,799

at some of the debris and maybe slow it

1497

01:02:49,190 --> 01:02:48,400

down a little bit i know we talked about

1498

01:02:51,109 --> 01:02:49,200

that

1499

01:02:52,789 --> 01:02:51,119

so just remember for scale we're looking

1500

01:02:54,470 --> 01:02:52,799

at this tag sam head which is 30

1501

01:02:56,710 --> 01:02:54,480

centimeters in diameter this is the full

1502

01:02:58,950 --> 01:02:56,720

scale model here uh so you can get a

1503

01:03:00,789 --> 01:02:58,960

sense you know the the spacecraft's only

1504

01:03:02,950 --> 01:03:00,799

a little over two meters away or six

1505

01:03:05,109 --> 01:03:02,960

feet away so not much farther than than

1506

01:03:07,430 --> 01:03:05,119

my span here so you can actually kind of

1507

01:03:09,270 --> 01:03:07,440

estimate the particles uh you know so

1508

01:03:11,430 --> 01:03:09,280

we're looking at things you know that's

1509

01:03:13,349 --> 01:03:11,440

probably on the order of centimeters to

1510

01:03:14,950 --> 01:03:13,359

several centimeters and then we've got

1511

01:03:16,710 --> 01:03:14,960

this guy here

1512

01:03:19,349 --> 01:03:16,720

this is a pretty amazing looking

1513

01:03:21,109 --> 01:03:19,359

particle so if it was to scale with the

1514

01:03:23,190 --> 01:03:21,119

tag sam head it would be on the order of

1515

01:03:24,950 --> 01:03:23,200

15 centimeters it's probably a little

1516

01:03:26,230 --> 01:03:24,960

closer in our field of view so it's

1517

01:03:28,230 --> 01:03:26,240

going to be a little smaller than that

1518

01:03:29,670 --> 01:03:28,240

but this is the biggest one that i've

1519

01:03:31,270 --> 01:03:29,680

seen so far

1520

01:03:32,789 --> 01:03:31,280

in my assessment of the data of course

1521

01:03:34,870 --> 01:03:32,799

the team is going through with much more

1522

01:03:37,109 --> 01:03:34,880

careful analysis but i'm guessing this

1523

01:03:39,270 --> 01:03:37,119

is multiple centimeters maybe up to 10

1524

01:03:40,789 --> 01:03:39,280

centimeters across here and this guy

1525

01:03:42,150 --> 01:03:40,799

kind of comes shooting off from the

1526

01:03:43,430 --> 01:03:42,160

right side of the field of view and

1527

01:03:46,150 --> 01:03:43,440

moves over

1528

01:03:48,789 --> 01:03:46,160

off the off the image to the left so

1529

01:03:51,109 --> 01:03:48,799

there's certainly a lot of work to do to

1530

01:03:52,950 --> 01:03:51,119

really get a sense of how far away

1531

01:03:54,789 --> 01:03:52,960

what's the depth of field of view of the

1532

01:03:56,069 --> 01:03:54,799

image that we're seeing here and to do

1533

01:03:57,750 --> 01:03:56,079

some real

1534

01:03:59,589 --> 01:03:57,760

precise measurements of the sizes of

1535

01:04:01,430 --> 01:03:59,599

these particles but

1536

01:04:03,430 --> 01:04:01,440

this one alone shows me we picked up

1537

01:04:05,029 --> 01:04:03,440

some things that are pretty big uh but

1538

01:04:06,549 --> 01:04:05,039

for the most part we're looking at

1539

01:04:07,990 --> 01:04:06,559  
centimeter sub-centimeter scale

1540

01:04:09,670 --> 01:04:08,000  
particles just from a quick look

1541

01:04:11,750 --> 01:04:09,680  
assessment but there's a lot more

1542

01:04:13,670 --> 01:04:11,760  
detailed analysis to go this is all

1543

01:04:15,190 --> 01:04:13,680  
preliminary and the image processing

1544

01:04:18,230 --> 01:04:15,200  
team at the university of arizona is

1545

01:04:20,150 --> 01:04:18,240  
busy as we speak uh answering that exact

1546

01:04:21,990 --> 01:04:20,160  
question right now

1547

01:04:23,430 --> 01:04:22,000  
and then i think over to rich for the

1548

01:04:26,309 --> 01:04:23,440  
departure date

1549

01:04:28,950 --> 01:04:26,319  
uh and uh and the return crews right so

1550

01:04:31,109 --> 01:04:28,960  
if we stow the sample uh we'll be doing

1551

01:04:33,589 --> 01:04:31,119

so in the first week of november

1552

01:04:35,430 --> 01:04:33,599

uh and we'll be and uh we'll we'll

1553

01:04:37,349 --> 01:04:35,440

follow uh continue to drift away from

1554

01:04:39,670 --> 01:04:37,359

the asteroid after we make that maneuver

1555

01:04:43,190 --> 01:04:39,680

on friday uh rather than

1556

01:04:45,750 --> 01:04:43,200

attempting to re-insert into orbit

1557

01:04:47,670 --> 01:04:45,760

our departure window opens in march

1558

01:04:50,309 --> 01:04:47,680

that's when the orbital mechanics say

1559

01:04:52,630 --> 01:04:50,319

it's uh efficiently it's fuel efficient

1560

01:04:55,349 --> 01:04:52,640

to get back to to earth and our

1561

01:04:57,910 --> 01:04:55,359

designated date in september of 2023

1562

01:05:01,349 --> 01:04:57,920

will depart the asteroid in early march

1563

01:05:17,430 --> 01:05:04,069

okay we have time for one final question

1564

01:05:17,440 --> 01:05:23,829

library do we have another question

1565

01:05:28,870 --> 01:05:27,109

i do apologize for that technical issue

1566

01:05:32,390 --> 01:05:28,880

michael gretchko with national

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01:05:33,829 --> 01:05:32,400

geographic your line is now open

1568

01:05:36,630 --> 01:05:33,839

all right thank you so much and

1569

01:05:39,510 --> 01:05:36,640

congratulations to the team um i had a

1570

01:05:41,990 --> 01:05:39,520

question about sort of the aftermath of

1571

01:05:43,589 --> 01:05:42,000

of this tag um what are the plans

1572

01:05:44,710 --> 01:05:43,599

defending to do any sort of remote

1573

01:05:48,549 --> 01:05:44,720

sensing

1574

01:05:50,789 --> 01:05:48,559

on nightingale site sort of see

1575

01:05:53,029 --> 01:05:50,799

the whole you've all left um and then

1576

01:05:55,029 --> 01:05:53,039

more generally for the theme itself

1577

01:05:56,549 --> 01:05:55,039

um i mean this moment has sort of

1578

01:05:58,789 --> 01:05:56,559

captured the world's

1579

01:06:00,390 --> 01:05:58,799

attention um anything at this time you

1580

01:06:02,309 --> 01:06:00,400

want to say to

1581

01:06:04,950 --> 01:06:02,319

you know people around the world who are

1582

01:06:06,549 --> 01:06:04,960

watching this and sort of taking this in

1583

01:06:07,990 --> 01:06:06,559

along with you

1584

01:06:09,829 --> 01:06:08,000

sure i'll answer that it's a tough

1585

01:06:11,430 --> 01:06:09,839

question michael because there there's

1586

01:06:14,470 --> 01:06:11,440

uh there was a lot of interest from the

1587

01:06:16,470 --> 01:06:14,480

science team on more data more

1588

01:06:18,710 --> 01:06:16,480

characterization of bennu after the

1589

01:06:20,230 --> 01:06:18,720

sampling attempt but uh you know we

1590

01:06:22,470 --> 01:06:20,240

gathered together as a management team

1591

01:06:23,910 --> 01:06:22,480

and we evaluated that exact question

1592

01:06:25,270 --> 01:06:23,920

very thoroughly

1593

01:06:28,390 --> 01:06:25,280

and uh

1594

01:06:30,829 --> 01:06:28,400

we agreed uh unanimously that this

1595

01:06:33,670 --> 01:06:30,839

mission is about safe return of this

1596

01:06:35,670 --> 01:06:33,680

sample and we do not want to do anything

1597

01:06:37,349 --> 01:06:35,680

to put that sample at risk so the plan

1598

01:06:39,109 --> 01:06:37,359

right now is we're going to go through

1599

01:06:41,029 --> 01:06:39,119

these verification activities on the

1600

01:06:43,029 --> 01:06:41,039

flight system we're going to check out

1601  
01:06:45,109 --> 01:06:43,039  
the state of the vehicle if everything

1602  
01:06:46,950 --> 01:06:45,119  
looks positive and we meet with thomas

1603  
01:06:48,230 --> 01:06:46,960  
on october 30th and make that decision

1604  
01:06:49,829 --> 01:06:48,240  
to stow

1605  
01:06:53,190 --> 01:06:49,839  
that is the end of the science campaign

1606  
01:06:55,910 --> 01:06:53,200  
at bennu we are then solely focused on

1607  
01:06:58,150 --> 01:06:55,920  
the return crews and quite honestly the

1608  
01:07:00,549 --> 01:06:58,160  
the real scientific payoff which this

1609  
01:07:03,190 --> 01:07:00,559  
mission is designed to to do is that

1610  
01:07:04,549 --> 01:07:03,200  
sample return and the sample science and

1611  
01:07:06,630 --> 01:07:04,559  
we'll be putting our focus and our

1612  
01:07:09,109 --> 01:07:06,640  
resources into that it wasn't an easy

1613  
01:07:10,789 --> 01:07:09,119

decision i guarantee you

1614

01:07:12,789 --> 01:07:10,799

it was tough especially the scientist in

1615

01:07:15,270 --> 01:07:12,799

me always keeps asking those questions

1616

01:07:17,589 --> 01:07:15,280

but it's the right decision to maintain

1617

01:07:19,589 --> 01:07:17,599

that focus on the level one requirement

1618

01:07:21,910 --> 01:07:19,599

uh because i can tell you you know right

1619

01:07:23,109 --> 01:07:21,920

before we kicked off the tag activity i

1620

01:07:25,510 --> 01:07:23,119

went i went through all of our

1621

01:07:26,710 --> 01:07:25,520

publications and all of our data and i

1622

01:07:28,150 --> 01:07:26,720

mapped them to the level one

1623

01:07:30,549 --> 01:07:28,160

requirements of the mission which is

1624

01:07:32,710 --> 01:07:30,559

what i agreed to with thomas and lori

1625

01:07:35,270 --> 01:07:32,720

that this program would deliver and we

1626

01:07:37,349 --> 01:07:35,280

have met and in most cases vastly

1627

01:07:38,710 --> 01:07:37,359

exceeded all of the science requirements

1628

01:07:41,910 --> 01:07:38,720

associated with the remote sensing

1629

01:07:43,990 --> 01:07:41,920

campaign of bennu so all we have left to

1630

01:07:46,309 --> 01:07:44,000

do to deliver on our promise to the

1631

01:07:48,789 --> 01:07:46,319

agency is get that sample safely back to

1632

01:07:50,470 --> 01:07:48,799

the earth get it into our laboratories

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01:07:52,789 --> 01:07:50,480

and answer the fundamental questions

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01:07:55,750 --> 01:07:52,799

about the formation of our solar system

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01:07:58,309 --> 01:07:55,760

and why earth is a habitable world

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01:08:01,349 --> 01:07:58,319

and then uh you gave me a chance to to

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01:08:02,950 --> 01:08:01,359

uh to promote a message and and

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01:08:05,430 --> 01:08:02,960

i'll just say

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01:08:07,349 --> 01:08:05,440

osiris-rex in my opinion is the

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01:08:09,510 --> 01:08:07,359

culmination of

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01:08:11,190 --> 01:08:09,520

human activity as a species

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01:08:13,109 --> 01:08:11,200

we built this mission

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01:08:14,950 --> 01:08:13,119

for peaceful purposes

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01:08:17,430 --> 01:08:14,960

out of curiosity in our desire for

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01:08:20,149 --> 01:08:17,440

knowledge it's a team that comes from a

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01:08:21,990 --> 01:08:20,159

variety of backgrounds and viewpoints

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01:08:24,229 --> 01:08:22,000

but none of that matters because we work

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01:08:26,630 --> 01:08:24,239

together united in a common vision and a

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01:08:28,709 --> 01:08:26,640

common goal and when we do that we

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01:08:30,630 --> 01:08:28,719

achieve amazing things

1651  
01:08:32,789 --> 01:08:30,640  
and so i told the team

1652  
01:08:35,030 --> 01:08:32,799  
you know i know we focus so much on the

1653  
01:08:38,390 --> 01:08:35,040  
details and the technical implementation

1654  
01:08:40,709 --> 01:08:38,400  
of this program but we serve as a model

1655  
01:08:42,229 --> 01:08:40,719  
for what we can do as human beings uh

1656  
01:08:43,749 --> 01:08:42,239  
when we unite

1657  
01:08:45,590 --> 01:08:43,759  
in a common vision

1658  
01:08:48,149 --> 01:08:45,600  
when we're united we're strong and when

1659  
01:08:51,510 --> 01:08:48,159  
we're divided we're weak and so i hope

1660  
01:08:53,189 --> 01:08:51,520  
the message of unity and common purpose

1661  
01:08:54,789 --> 01:08:53,199  
and that we're all in this together

1662  
01:08:57,030 --> 01:08:54,799  
right we've got this precious planet

1663  
01:08:59,910 --> 01:08:57,040

earth uh that we're the stewards of that

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01:09:00,950 --> 01:08:59,920

we're responsible for and when we come

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01:09:04,229 --> 01:09:00,960

together

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01:09:06,870 --> 01:09:04,239

and unite uh we achieve amazing things

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01:09:07,749 --> 01:09:06,880

could i follow on to that as well please

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01:09:09,990 --> 01:09:07,759

um

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01:09:12,070 --> 01:09:10,000

yeah i think one one additional thing to

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01:09:14,789 --> 01:09:12,080

add on to that you know beautifully put

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01:09:17,510 --> 01:09:14,799

uh uh words from dante

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01:09:19,349 --> 01:09:17,520

uh you know we're hoping to serve for an

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01:09:20,709 --> 01:09:19,359

inspiration for future scientists and

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01:09:22,470 --> 01:09:20,719

engineers

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01:09:24,470 --> 01:09:22,480

this mission is

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01:09:25,349 --> 01:09:24,480

as much fun as you can have and get paid

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01:09:27,829 --> 01:09:25,359

to do

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01:09:29,510 --> 01:09:27,839

right so i had our

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01:09:30,789 --> 01:09:29,520

one of our instrument scientists was

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01:09:32,950 --> 01:09:30,799

examining

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01:09:35,189 --> 01:09:32,960

uh the images from our navigation

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01:09:36,149 --> 01:09:35,199

cameras as it came down this morning he

1683

01:09:40,390 --> 01:09:36,159

said

1684

01:09:42,870 --> 01:09:40,400

the image was this is so cool

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01:09:45,349 --> 01:09:42,880

right and it is he go and what he

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01:09:46,309 --> 01:09:45,359

finished his email with was i love this

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01:09:48,950 --> 01:09:46,319

job

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01:09:51,110 --> 01:09:48,960

so we're hoping that you know there's uh

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01:09:53,910 --> 01:09:51,120

five six ten-year-olds out there that

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01:09:55,669 --> 01:09:53,920

get inspired by this mission the amazing

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01:09:56,790 --> 01:09:55,679

achievements of this mission and it's

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01:09:58,790 --> 01:09:56,800

the people

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01:10:00,550 --> 01:09:58,800

the engineers and the scientists on this

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01:10:02,870 --> 01:10:00,560

mission that made it happen

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01:10:04,630 --> 01:10:02,880

so we need our future generations

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01:10:06,229 --> 01:10:04,640

uh to be inspired by this and that's

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01:10:08,149 --> 01:10:06,239

what we're hoping to do i think the

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01:10:09,750 --> 01:10:08,159

other thing is dante mentioned the

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01:10:11,669 --> 01:10:09,760

sample allocation

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01:10:13,510 --> 01:10:11,679

a large fraction of the sample is going

1701

01:10:15,669 --> 01:10:13,520

to be reserved for study of future

1702

01:10:18,310 --> 01:10:15,679

generations so we're hoping that future

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01:10:21,110 --> 01:10:18,320

sample scientists are inspired by this

1704

01:10:23,110 --> 01:10:21,120

and you know kids kids at home today

1705

01:10:26,070 --> 01:10:23,120

could be the ones studying this sample

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01:10:28,070 --> 01:10:26,080

in 10 or 20 or 30 years and make new

1707

01:10:30,790 --> 01:10:28,080

discoveries that aren't even possible

1708

01:10:31,990 --> 01:10:30,800

with today's technology so

1709

01:10:34,470 --> 01:10:32,000

thank you

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01:10:36,310 --> 01:10:34,480

well that was a great way to wrap the

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01:10:38,709 --> 01:10:36,320

show up and as your engineer said the

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01:10:41,270 --> 01:10:38,719

images they are cool

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01:10:43,270 --> 01:10:41,280

so before we close we'd just like to

1714

01:10:45,430 --> 01:10:43,280

invite everyone to tune into the nasa

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01:10:47,510 --> 01:10:45,440

science live that's going to follow this

1716

01:10:50,390 --> 01:10:47,520

press briefing at 6 15

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01:10:52,950 --> 01:10:50,400

so go on over to nasa.gov

1718

01:10:54,870 --> 01:10:52,960

osiris-rex you'll see a presentation

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01:10:56,229 --> 01:10:54,880

from various osiris-rex scientists

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01:10:59,110 --> 01:10:56,239

they'll talk a little bit more about the

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01:11:00,229 --> 01:10:59,120

images and about the overall osiris-rex

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01:11:02,310 --> 01:11:00,239

mission

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01:11:03,350 --> 01:11:02,320

i just want to say congratulations to

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01:11:05,110 --> 01:11:03,360

the team

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01:11:44,470 --> 01:11:05,120

goal osiris-rex

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01:11:44,480 --> 01:11:48,120

so

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01:12:04,630 --> 01:12:03,030

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01:12:06,470 --> 01:12:04,640

when we are called to do an experiment