



SCIENCE LIVE

VIRTUAL EDITION

WE'RE GOING TO

VENUS

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hello and welcome to another episode of

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nasa science live

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my name is karen fox and i'm nasa's

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00:01:45,270 --> 00:01:42,880

senior science communications officer

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and your host for today's episode

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it's exciting to think about all we can

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learn from these two new missions to

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explore venus and later in the show you

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will have the chance to hear from

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00:01:55,109 --> 00:01:53,119

scientists about each of these new

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00:01:57,510 --> 00:01:55,119

missions ask them your questions and

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00:01:59,350 --> 00:01:57,520

learn why venus is such a fascinating

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planet to study

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but first we have two special guests

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here to tell you more let's hear about

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this exciting announcement from nasa's

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new administrator bill nelson and nasa

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science associate administrator thomas

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zurbukin

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well i'm so excited to be here with you

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on camera

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our new administrator uh senator bill

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nelson i'm just so glad to be working

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with you and learning about your passion

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00:02:29,510 --> 00:02:26,800  
you have for all things space and also

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00:02:31,830 --> 00:02:29,520  
of space science and we're here because

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00:02:33,030 --> 00:02:31,840  
of those two discovery missions focused

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00:02:34,470 --> 00:02:33,040  
on venus

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00:02:36,630 --> 00:02:34,480  
indeed i'm

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00:02:40,309 --> 00:02:36,640  
just honored to be here with such a

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notable scientist as yourself dr z

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uh and we're proud to have you a part of

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00:02:48,869 --> 00:02:45,440  
the nasa family

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00:02:51,190 --> 00:02:48,879  
now tell us a little bit about these two

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00:02:53,190 --> 00:02:51,200  
missions to venus

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00:02:55,910 --> 00:02:53,200  
so first of all you just said their

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00:02:59,030 --> 00:02:55,920

missions to venus now be aware we have

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not been on venus for over 30 years here

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at nasa and so basically of all

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rocky planets that are in our

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neighborhood

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it's the one planet we know the least

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amount so the two planet the two uh

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missions called veritas and davinci plus

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will map the surface of venus at 100

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times the resolution we know today and

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will

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analyze the atmosphere

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that has the whole history of the that

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00:03:28,710 --> 00:03:26,239  
very thick atmosphere of venus really

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00:03:32,949 --> 00:03:28,720  
making the first such measurements ever

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00:03:35,430 --> 00:03:32,959  
so as we move away from the sun

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there's mercury and then there's venus

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with a very thick atmosphere and the

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next one out is earth

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with a habitable atmosphere

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and then comes mars

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00:03:51,670 --> 00:03:50,640  
with a very minimal atmosphere

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00:03:54,630 --> 00:03:51,680  
so

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00:03:57,589 --> 00:03:54,640  
we're going to find out why

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venus has such a thick atmosphere and

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why it traps all that heat like the

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greenhouse effect

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that it can even melt

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lead on the surface tell us about that

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it's absolutely incredible and what's so

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hustling about it is we think that if we

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looked at let's take venus earth and

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mars three billion years ago they would

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be roughly the same modest type

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atmosphere and and as you said correctly

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the

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planet venus went a really horrible

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track right kind of trapping this and

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frankly we don't know today why that is

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we know the greenhouse effect is a

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really important part and of course

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that's something we worry about

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tremendously at earth as well enormously

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because we are heating up the more we

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put things like co2 and methane up in

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the upper atmosphere it's going to trap

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that heat and we'll continue to see the

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effects of heating of the earth

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as we

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learn more about venus how is it that we

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learn enough

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to be able to discover more

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solar systems and other galaxies

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with other planets that we call

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exoplanets

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i love that kind of when we made this

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election we were focused on that just

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the same way as you're indicating we

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have over 6 000 planets that we've

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discovered and so many of them are what

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we will call venus so they're like

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a little bit like you know rocky planets

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like the earth but they have very strong

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atmospheres and frankly we don't know

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our venus so how could we understand

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00:05:39,270 --> 00:05:37,520  
these other venuses all over that galaxy

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around other stars

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00:05:45,110 --> 00:05:42,880  
well i'm so excited about this not only

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00:05:48,469 --> 00:05:45,120  
are we going to send humans

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back out into the cosmos further out of

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low earth orbit

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but we're also going to be concentrating

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on science and part of our science

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00:05:59,510 --> 00:05:58,240  
is that we're looking at planetary

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00:06:03,029 --> 00:05:59,520  
science

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00:06:04,309 --> 00:06:03,039

to find out what's out there is there

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more

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life out there this is an exciting time

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to be at nasa

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now at this time and i couldn't be more

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excited about all of these topics with

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humans going away from earth frankly

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we're opening up new ways of doing

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science as well

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and and so we're really excited about

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we're cheering on the humans out of the

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science director just like our own

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robotic ambassadors that are going all

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over the solar system thank you dr z and

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00:06:40,870 --> 00:06:37,460  
thank you for joining us today

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as you've heard there is so much we can

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00:06:47,670 --> 00:06:45,440  
learn by studying venus from insights

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into the evolution of planets to clues

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00:06:51,589 --> 00:06:49,919  
about planets outside our solar system

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there's so much to gain

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let's take a deeper dive into this

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mysterious planet

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mysteries abound in our universe but bit

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00:07:03,589 --> 00:07:02,090  
by bit we are unlocking its secrets

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we now know that our galaxy contains

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billions of other planets

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but how can we learn more about them

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what traits do these exoplanets have

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what are they made of

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what are their environments like

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are they habitable

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and can planets lose habitability over

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time

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imagine we could study one of these

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planets up close

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we find one at similar size mass and

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composition as earth

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00:07:46,230 --> 00:07:44,080  
by all accounts this planet appears very

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00:07:48,230 --> 00:07:46,240  
similar to our own

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00:07:49,990 --> 00:07:48,240  
we discover evidence that this world may

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have once had liquid water oceans and

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volcanoes a setting that could have been

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but over time something drastic happened

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to this environment

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this planet sun grew brighter and hotter

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increasing the temperature here to the

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point that the oceans boiled away

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and then gradually volcanic gases

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created a thick atmosphere with clouds

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of sulfuric acid

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that once friendly environment

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was gone

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but all is not lost

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the remnants of such a world may hold

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the key to understanding planetary

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evolution and habitability

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the twist is that this isn't science

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fiction this planet does exist and if we

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want to learn more about the past

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present and possible future of our

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planet and the billions of similar

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exoplanets out there this mysterious one

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and it doesn't reside in some distant

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solar system truth be told it sits right

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next door

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this planet is venus

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and the more mysteries we can unravel

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here the more answers we can find out

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it's incredible

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and now that we've learned a little bit

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about the destination let's hear from

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two experts to tell us about these new

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missions and remember throughout the

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show you can send in your questions

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using the hashtag asknasa or commenting

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in the stream wherever you're watching

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this

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we're now joined by two very exciting

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guests dr jim garvin the principal

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investigator for the da vinci plus

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mission and dr sue smrenkar the physic

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the principal investigator for the

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veritas mission thank you both for being

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here

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thanks for having us

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so first of all congratulations on the

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big news it must be so exciting to have

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your mission selected uh can you both

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tell us how it feels to have gone to

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this point why don't we start with dr

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garvin

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well karen it's beyond enthralling it's

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actually beyond words uh for me

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personally and for our team on da vinci

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plus carrying the name of leonardo to

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explore venus this mystery exoplanet

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next door it's just mind-boggling we're

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going to go back in time to understand a

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world that's been a lost horizon and by

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bringing ourselves there with the best

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of the technologies we have in our

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measurement systems we're going to open

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up the venus frontier for for everyone

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and the people of the planet earth will

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go with us so we're ready to go thanks

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yeah it's absolutely exhilarating um i

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think it must be like what it means to

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uh you know get on a rocket and be

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strapped in and blast off

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away from earth's gravity it's just been

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an incredible ride we are

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uh super excited the entire team in fact

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you know the entire venus community we

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we

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won the double lottery veritas davinci

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together uh it's just

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amazingly exciting we so many of us have

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spent uh you know decades in fact uh

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working to this moment so it's

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an incredible ride and we uh yeah we

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can't wait to get the keys and start

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revving up and building your spacecraft

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to take us to venus

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well congratulations so here we are we

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have just selected these two new

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missions to explore the mysteries of

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venus could you each explain the goals

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of veritas and davinci plus i'd like to

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know how they differ and in what areas

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will they work together we'll go to dr

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sure so

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you know as you heard about in the

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conversation with um

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senator nelson and dr subukin

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we really want to understand rocky

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planets um what makes them habitable

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what makes them tick you know both in

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our solar system and in other solar

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systems veritas and davinci are really

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aimed at that we want to uh on veritas

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get a global view of the surface of

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venus

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we'll be peeling back the clouds using

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special special instruments to see

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through the clouds

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and revealing the geologic history uh

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we're looking for processes that are

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active today and you know really

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understanding how the interior venus

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from its core to its surface geology to

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the volcanoes that help create the

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atmosphere how they all interact and

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help um

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build a powerful planet in the past and

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where it went wrong to become this

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oh and i'll just say you know sorry

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well

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sorry for the introduction

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i'm thrilled that davinci is there with

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us because we really have great synergy

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00:12:34,150 --> 00:12:32,880

um you know we'll get the global view

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00:12:35,750 --> 00:12:34,160

and they get the close-up you know this

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00:12:38,230 --> 00:12:35,760

is just what the mars missions have been

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00:12:39,190 --> 00:12:38,240

doing for uh decades now having the

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00:12:41,670 --> 00:12:39,200

global

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00:12:43,990 --> 00:12:41,680

orbital view and finding super exciting

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00:12:46,150 --> 00:12:44,000

science targets and uh then going down

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00:12:47,829 --> 00:12:46,160

to the surface in detail so you know

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00:12:50,069 --> 00:12:47,839

it's just a great pairing of these two

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00:12:52,230 --> 00:12:50,079

missions

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00:12:54,629 --> 00:12:52,240

well thank you and davinci plus is like

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00:12:56,230 --> 00:12:54,639

a flying rover chemistry lab that

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00:12:58,230 --> 00:12:56,240

descends to the atmosphere from the

291

00:13:00,710 --> 00:12:58,240

cloud tops to the surface making

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00:13:02,629 --> 00:13:00,720

measurements by ingesting the atmosphere

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00:13:04,790 --> 00:13:02,639

and measuring it we're bringing sample

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00:13:06,710 --> 00:13:04,800

return to venus through our meter scale

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00:13:09,110 --> 00:13:06,720

probe that will see the surface with

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00:13:11,670 --> 00:13:09,120

human scale eyes in 3d and

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00:13:13,430 --> 00:13:11,680

compositionally as we take the plunge

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00:13:15,430 --> 00:13:13,440

and our spacecraft will unravel the

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00:13:18,150 --> 00:13:15,440

history of the key chemical constituents

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00:13:20,069 --> 00:13:18,160

in the atmosphere which are like the the

301  
00:13:21,430 --> 00:13:20,079  
fingerprints of the processes that zoo

302  
00:13:23,190 --> 00:13:21,440  
is talking about locally and that

303  
00:13:25,829 --> 00:13:23,200  
atmospheric record will tell us the

304  
00:13:27,829 --> 00:13:25,839  
history of past and perhaps lost oceans

305  
00:13:30,150 --> 00:13:27,839  
we'll measure the cycles of carbon and

306  
00:13:32,230 --> 00:13:30,160  
oxygen and hydrogen and sulfur and

307  
00:13:34,069 --> 00:13:32,240  
phosphorus which all put together this

308  
00:13:35,509 --> 00:13:34,079  
massive atmosphere venus is telling us

309  
00:13:37,509 --> 00:13:35,519  
something because it has this big

310  
00:13:39,990 --> 00:13:37,519  
atmosphere we're going to go there back

311  
00:13:41,910 --> 00:13:40,000  
to that lost horizon with our mission to

312  
00:13:44,470 --> 00:13:41,920  
connect those dots so we can see venus

313  
00:13:46,949 --> 00:13:44,480

up close in a suicide and globally so

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00:13:49,030 --> 00:13:46,959

she can become the exoplanet next door

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00:13:50,790 --> 00:13:49,040

that tells us how to discover exo

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00:13:52,870 --> 00:13:50,800

venuses and how they work beyond our

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00:13:54,550 --> 00:13:52,880

solar system we literally cannot wait to

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00:13:56,310 --> 00:13:54,560

get started working together with our

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00:13:59,350 --> 00:13:56,320

partners at veritas this is going to be

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00:14:01,590 --> 00:13:59,360

an epic ride trust me

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00:14:03,590 --> 00:14:01,600

so let's talk more about this planet uh

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00:14:05,910 --> 00:14:03,600

venus is not the closest planet to the

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00:14:06,790 --> 00:14:05,920

sun but it is the hottest in our solar

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00:14:09,990 --> 00:14:06,800

system

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00:14:13,829 --> 00:14:10,000

between the intense heat of 900 degrees

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00:14:15,750 --> 00:14:13,839

fahrenheit the corrosive sulfuric clouds

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00:14:17,910 --> 00:14:15,760

and the crushing atmosphere that is 90

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00:14:20,230 --> 00:14:17,920

times denser than earth's landing a

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00:14:22,470 --> 00:14:20,240

spacecraft here is incredibly

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00:14:24,550 --> 00:14:22,480

challenging of the nine soviet probes

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00:14:28,310 --> 00:14:24,560

that have achieved the feat none lasted

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00:14:31,269 --> 00:14:28,320

longer than 127 minutes

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00:14:33,189 --> 00:14:31,279

so dr garvin can you tell us how da

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00:14:35,509 --> 00:14:33,199

vinci plus will withstand these harsh

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00:14:37,670 --> 00:14:35,519

conditions and plunge right down into

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00:14:39,670 --> 00:14:37,680

venus's atmosphere

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00:14:42,310 --> 00:14:39,680

well what we're going to do is make our

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00:14:43,990 --> 00:14:42,320

instruments comfy that's key so the

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00:14:45,590 --> 00:14:44,000

instruments won't feel that harsh

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00:14:47,670 --> 00:14:45,600

atmosphere that you can see here the

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00:14:49,990 --> 00:14:47,680

sulfuric acid the dense pressures the

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00:14:51,670 --> 00:14:50,000

supercritical fluids near the surface we

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00:14:53,670 --> 00:14:51,680

will encapsulate our instruments so we

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00:14:55,990 --> 00:14:53,680

can make those tell-tale measurements

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00:14:58,710 --> 00:14:56,000

hundreds of times while also imaging

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00:15:00,949 --> 00:14:58,720

this exotic landscape that today may

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00:15:02,949 --> 00:15:00,959

look very hostile and alien something

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00:15:05,030 --> 00:15:02,959

out of star wars or star trek but in the

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00:15:06,949 --> 00:15:05,040

past may have looked like this an ocean

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00:15:09,030 --> 00:15:06,959

world perhaps an ocean world that

351  
00:15:11,110 --> 00:15:09,040  
started life like earth for billions of

352  
00:15:12,870 --> 00:15:11,120  
years we can read that record through

353  
00:15:15,030 --> 00:15:12,880  
the measurements we make by protecting

354  
00:15:17,030 --> 00:15:15,040  
our instruments to give us that wild

355  
00:15:18,550 --> 00:15:17,040  
ride it will be a magical mystery tour

356  
00:15:22,230 --> 00:15:18,560  
as we make the measurements to put

357  
00:15:26,310 --> 00:15:24,069  
fantastic

358  
00:15:28,550 --> 00:15:26,320  
now dr smartcar i understand that

359  
00:15:30,550 --> 00:15:28,560  
veritas will charge surface elevations

360  
00:15:33,110 --> 00:15:30,560  
over nearly the entire planet uh to

361  
00:15:35,189 --> 00:15:33,120  
create three-dimensional reconstructions

362  
00:15:37,189 --> 00:15:35,199  
of topography and confirm whether

363  
00:15:39,590 --> 00:15:37,199

processes like plate tectonics and

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00:15:42,310 --> 00:15:39,600

volcanism are still active on venus so

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00:15:44,069 --> 00:15:42,320

can you explain to us why it's important

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00:15:46,310 --> 00:15:44,079

to understand these particular aspects

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00:15:49,030 --> 00:15:46,320

of the planet

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00:15:51,030 --> 00:15:49,040

sure yeah i mean we're kind of

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00:15:53,110 --> 00:15:51,040

exploring the once in future earth in

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00:15:55,269 --> 00:15:53,120

effect by going to venus

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00:15:57,509 --> 00:15:55,279

you know as we've talked venus has this

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00:15:59,829 --> 00:15:57,519

incredible greenhouse atmosphere today

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00:16:02,550 --> 00:15:59,839

but um you know it was once much more

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00:16:04,790 --> 00:16:02,560

habitable and by actually studying the

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00:16:06,230 --> 00:16:04,800

processes that are we believe active on

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00:16:08,470 --> 00:16:06,240

the surface today

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00:16:11,269 --> 00:16:08,480

we can in effect go back to the very

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00:16:12,069 --> 00:16:11,279

early start of earth's history uh you

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00:16:13,910 --> 00:16:12,079

know

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00:16:16,710 --> 00:16:13,920

uh earth probably looked a lot like this

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00:16:19,189 --> 00:16:16,720

as well as venus in its early days uh

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00:16:21,749 --> 00:16:19,199

and the process that has been the

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00:16:23,189 --> 00:16:21,759

dominant uh factor controlling the

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00:16:25,829 --> 00:16:23,199

earth's surface and much of its

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00:16:28,629 --> 00:16:25,839

atmosphere is plate tectonics so on

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00:16:31,430 --> 00:16:28,639

earth plates move past each other and

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00:16:33,990 --> 00:16:31,440

the process of subduction allows plates

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00:16:37,269 --> 00:16:34,000

to sink into the mantle

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00:16:38,949 --> 00:16:37,279

and we think that that that step of one

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00:16:41,350 --> 00:16:38,959

plate sinking into the mantle is the

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00:16:43,269 --> 00:16:41,360

very first step in plate tectonics that

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00:16:45,910 --> 00:16:43,279

has you know set earth down this path of

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00:16:48,550 --> 00:16:45,920

becoming habitable and um you know

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00:16:50,550 --> 00:16:48,560

developing continents developing oceans

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00:16:53,030 --> 00:16:50,560

but what about venus we would think the

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00:16:54,949 --> 00:16:53,040

same process would happen on venus uh

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00:16:57,670 --> 00:16:54,959

but it so far it seems to have only

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00:16:59,910 --> 00:16:57,680

given us subduction so we can go back

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00:17:01,829 --> 00:16:59,920

effectively to the very first billion or

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00:17:03,829 --> 00:17:01,839

two years of earth's history and

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00:17:06,150 --> 00:17:03,839  
understand that process of how does

402  
00:17:07,510 --> 00:17:06,160  
plate tectonics this incredibly complex

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00:17:09,429 --> 00:17:07,520  
process how does it start what are the

404  
00:17:11,189 --> 00:17:09,439  
conditions that allow it to happen and

405  
00:17:13,750 --> 00:17:11,199  
that's a really important question for

406  
00:17:15,909 --> 00:17:13,760  
being able to uh you know look at just

407  
00:17:17,990 --> 00:17:15,919  
the density the size of exoplanets

408  
00:17:19,909 --> 00:17:18,000  
around other stars and say you know are

409  
00:17:23,990 --> 00:17:19,919  
they likely to be habitable should they

410  
00:17:26,390 --> 00:17:25,029  
all right

411  
00:17:27,270 --> 00:17:26,400  
so why

412  
00:17:29,430 --> 00:17:27,280  
now

413  
00:17:32,549 --> 00:17:29,440

what has advanced in technology since we

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00:17:34,390 --> 00:17:32,559

visited venus in the 70s and the 80s

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00:17:35,590 --> 00:17:34,400

i'll start start with dr garvin this

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00:17:39,029 --> 00:17:35,600

time

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00:17:40,870 --> 00:17:39,039

well everything technology science

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00:17:42,710 --> 00:17:40,880

results modeling what we've learned

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00:17:45,510 --> 00:17:42,720

about our solar system our universe our

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00:17:47,590 --> 00:17:45,520

planet is is just an amazing paradigm

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00:17:49,669 --> 00:17:47,600

shift and so what we thought we knew in

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00:17:52,710 --> 00:17:49,679

the 70s and 80s has been transformed by

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00:17:55,590 --> 00:17:52,720

venus missions magellan uh the venus

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00:17:57,669 --> 00:17:55,600

express agasaki from japan but also by

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our capabilities we have instruments now

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00:18:02,470 --> 00:18:00,160

we can encapsulate to measure things a

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00:18:04,470 --> 00:18:02,480

hundred times finer than we were able to

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00:18:05,830 --> 00:18:04,480

measure in the 70s and 80s and by

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00:18:08,070 --> 00:18:05,840

bringing that

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00:18:09,909 --> 00:18:08,080

powerful transformative knowledge we can

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00:18:12,310 --> 00:18:09,919

probe venus atmosphere measure her

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00:18:13,990 --> 00:18:12,320

surface in ways that were unimaginable

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00:18:16,390 --> 00:18:14,000

30 40 years ago and that's why we're

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00:18:18,549 --> 00:18:16,400

going back venus is calling us the

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00:18:20,390 --> 00:18:18,559

questions the science community have now

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00:18:22,950 --> 00:18:20,400

about past habitability how does a

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00:18:24,950 --> 00:18:22,960

planet lose habitability i mean i lose

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00:18:27,350 --> 00:18:24,960

change not habitability we want to

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00:18:29,430 --> 00:18:27,360

understand how venus lost that because

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00:18:31,270 --> 00:18:29,440

that's part of our own destiny perhaps

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00:18:33,350 --> 00:18:31,280

and reading venus record book through

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00:18:36,150 --> 00:18:33,360

chemistry through landscapes through

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00:18:38,230 --> 00:18:36,160

global studies like veritas will do will

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00:18:41,029 --> 00:18:38,240

change everything and if we don't get to

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00:18:42,549 --> 00:18:41,039

know our exoplanet next door how will

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00:18:45,190 --> 00:18:42,559

great new missions like the james webb

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00:18:47,510 --> 00:18:45,200

space telescope connect our solar system

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00:18:49,750 --> 00:18:47,520

to the exoplanetary systems beyond

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00:18:51,350 --> 00:18:49,760

that's a key question we can do that

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00:18:53,430 --> 00:18:51,360

with the modern techniques of today

451  
00:18:55,750 --> 00:18:53,440  
davinci plus and veritas we'll both do

452  
00:18:59,510 --> 00:18:55,760  
that in the 21st century i can't wait to

453  
00:19:04,789 --> 00:19:02,630  
yeah and uh same same holds for veritas

454  
00:19:06,789 --> 00:19:04,799  
we are building on the discoveries of

455  
00:19:07,750 --> 00:19:06,799  
past missions and the technologies

456  
00:19:09,830 --> 00:19:07,760  
developed

457  
00:19:11,510 --> 00:19:09,840  
to study the earth to study

458  
00:19:13,270 --> 00:19:11,520  
other planets

459  
00:19:14,789 --> 00:19:13,280  
we

460  
00:19:16,390 --> 00:19:14,799  
have to look through the very dense

461  
00:19:18,549 --> 00:19:16,400  
clouds you've been seeing these images

462  
00:19:21,669 --> 00:19:18,559  
of venus's cloud cover

463  
00:19:23,430 --> 00:19:21,679

we have to use special tools to peer

464

00:19:25,590 --> 00:19:23,440

through those clouds and

465

00:19:27,270 --> 00:19:25,600

we are building on instruments designed

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00:19:29,510 --> 00:19:27,280

for the earth we're

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00:19:31,430 --> 00:19:29,520

going to fly the first ever

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00:19:33,430 --> 00:19:31,440

instrument so-called spectrometer that

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00:19:36,230 --> 00:19:33,440

kind of look at the composition of the

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00:19:38,310 --> 00:19:36,240

surface by peering through the clouds so

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00:19:40,230 --> 00:19:38,320

uh you know from those instruments to

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00:19:43,110 --> 00:19:40,240

the cloud cover uh we'll be able to get

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00:19:44,950 --> 00:19:43,120

an entirely entirely new look and yeah

474

00:19:48,070 --> 00:19:44,960

in this image you're seeing uh what the

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00:19:49,830 --> 00:19:48,080

topography of hawaii looks like

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00:19:51,750 --> 00:19:49,840

this is what it looks like currently in

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00:19:53,029 --> 00:19:51,760

the data we have from magellan you know

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00:19:55,350 --> 00:19:53,039

you can see that there are some high

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00:19:57,430 --> 00:19:55,360

points there but we'll just going to be

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00:19:59,270 --> 00:19:57,440

revealing exquisite detail you can see

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00:20:01,110 --> 00:19:59,280

that the calderas at the top of the

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00:20:03,350 --> 00:20:01,120

peaks you can see fault lines you can

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00:20:05,110 --> 00:20:03,360

see individual flows so we'll get a you

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00:20:07,830 --> 00:20:05,120

know unprecedented look at the surface

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00:20:10,310 --> 00:20:07,840

of venus

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00:20:12,710 --> 00:20:10,320

thank you so much we are also getting

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00:20:13,669 --> 00:20:12,720

questions from online there's so much

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00:20:15,029 --> 00:20:13,679

interest

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00:20:16,950 --> 00:20:15,039

and the questions are coming in on

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00:20:18,470 --> 00:20:16,960

social media so

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00:20:20,549 --> 00:20:18,480

for everybody watching remember you can

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00:20:22,310 --> 00:20:20,559

join the conversation by submitting your

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00:20:24,950 --> 00:20:22,320

questions using

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00:20:27,110 --> 00:20:24,960

ask nasa or commenting in the stream

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00:20:29,430 --> 00:20:27,120

wherever you're watching this and let's

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00:20:31,350 --> 00:20:29,440

start with a few questions now our first

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00:20:35,029 --> 00:20:31,360

question is from

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00:20:37,350 --> 00:20:35,039

vanilla sahu on twitter who asks is

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00:20:40,230 --> 00:20:37,360

there any reason behind naming the

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00:20:42,789 --> 00:20:40,240

missions da vinci and veritas let's do

501  
00:20:45,270 --> 00:20:42,799  
da vinci first and then veritas

502  
00:20:47,590 --> 00:20:45,280  
well who doesn't love leonardo da vinci

503  
00:20:49,510 --> 00:20:47,600  
the great renaissance thinker innovator

504  
00:20:52,070 --> 00:20:49,520  
artist scientist technologist he

505  
00:20:54,390 --> 00:20:52,080  
invented helicopters he painted the mona

506  
00:20:56,230 --> 00:20:54,400  
lisa so what we want to do in taking his

507  
00:20:58,390 --> 00:20:56,240  
name which is also the acronym for our

508  
00:21:00,710 --> 00:20:58,400  
mission deep atmosphere

509  
00:21:02,549 --> 00:21:00,720  
exploration of venus with

510  
00:21:05,830 --> 00:21:02,559  
imaging and measurements of chemistry

511  
00:21:07,669 --> 00:21:05,840  
and noble gases by taking his great name

512  
00:21:09,909 --> 00:21:07,679  
catalogued in 500 years of history and

513  
00:21:12,390 --> 00:21:09,919

applying it forward to venus we want to

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00:21:14,230 --> 00:21:12,400

see the new venus rising in the view of

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00:21:15,669 --> 00:21:14,240

of leonardo and leonardo painted the

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00:21:17,350 --> 00:21:15,679

mona lisa one of the most famous

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00:21:19,510 --> 00:21:17,360

paintings of all time we think there's a

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00:21:21,350 --> 00:21:19,520

moan of venus waiting and we want to

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00:21:26,149 --> 00:21:21,360

discover that together for all of

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00:21:31,029 --> 00:21:28,310

well veritas is also an acronym it

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00:21:32,470 --> 00:21:31,039

stands for venus emissivity radar

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science

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00:21:37,350 --> 00:21:35,360

interferometry topography oops

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00:21:38,470 --> 00:21:37,360

topography interferometry

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00:21:40,390 --> 00:21:38,480

um

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00:21:43,350 --> 00:21:40,400

and spectroscopy

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00:21:46,070 --> 00:21:43,360

but it means truth and you know it's

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00:21:47,990 --> 00:21:46,080

been so long since we have been to venus

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00:21:49,830 --> 00:21:48,000

that there are these ideas from about 30

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00:21:51,430 --> 00:21:49,840

years ago that i like to call myths that

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00:21:53,029 --> 00:21:51,440

are still floating around about venus

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00:21:54,630 --> 00:21:53,039

but we've learned so much about the

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00:21:57,750 --> 00:21:54,640

earth and other planets

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00:21:59,909 --> 00:21:57,760

that um they are really outdated ideas

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00:22:01,669 --> 00:21:59,919

and we are excited to

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00:22:05,110 --> 00:22:01,679

bring new instruments to venus and

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00:22:07,430 --> 00:22:05,120

reveal the truth about venus

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00:22:09,230 --> 00:22:07,440

that's a very good answer i like it

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00:22:12,950 --> 00:22:09,240

um

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00:22:14,870 --> 00:22:12,960

gupta18 on twitter asks which side of

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00:22:18,070 --> 00:22:14,880

venus will the exploration be carried

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00:22:19,830 --> 00:22:18,080

out the warmer sunlit side or the colder

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00:22:22,070 --> 00:22:19,840

sun hidden side i'll start with dr

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00:22:25,029 --> 00:22:22,080

smartcar for this one then if dr garvin

545

00:22:28,070 --> 00:22:25,039

you want to add on feel free

546

00:22:30,870 --> 00:22:28,080

uh so as an orbiter we see both the uh

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00:22:33,190 --> 00:22:30,880

sunlit and the uh dark side of unit so

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00:22:34,950 --> 00:22:33,200

we're constantly going around the planet

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00:22:37,510 --> 00:22:34,960

and going from one side to the other in

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00:22:41,110 --> 00:22:37,520

fact uh one of our instruments likes to

551  
00:22:43,510 --> 00:22:41,120  
uh primarily image on the cooler night

552  
00:22:46,310 --> 00:22:43,520  
side our spectrometer that will allow us

553  
00:22:48,070 --> 00:22:46,320  
to get at the composition of the surface

554  
00:22:50,070 --> 00:22:48,080  
so that instrument only operates on the

555  
00:22:53,190 --> 00:22:50,080  
night side because the glare off of the

556  
00:22:55,190 --> 00:22:53,200  
clouds is too intense to

557  
00:22:57,190 --> 00:22:55,200  
allow us to see the surface

558  
00:22:59,430 --> 00:22:57,200  
on the day side but our radar instrument

559  
00:23:01,110 --> 00:22:59,440  
can see the surface all the time so for

560  
00:23:04,470 --> 00:23:01,120  
the most part we

561  
00:23:06,870 --> 00:23:04,480  
are operating on both sides

562  
00:23:09,029 --> 00:23:06,880  
well and karen if i may add

563  
00:23:11,590 --> 00:23:09,039

for davinci plus we're going in with our

564

00:23:13,350 --> 00:23:11,600

probe our flying rover on the day side

565

00:23:15,909 --> 00:23:13,360

over a mountainous region known as alfa

566

00:23:17,830 --> 00:23:15,919

richo the first radar bright area seen

567

00:23:19,990 --> 00:23:17,840

from earth with radio telescopes like

568

00:23:22,070 --> 00:23:20,000

our sibo and so we're going to land in

569

00:23:24,070 --> 00:23:22,080

this mountain zone it's twice the size

570

00:23:26,070 --> 00:23:24,080

of texas that's pretty big we're going

571

00:23:27,750 --> 00:23:26,080

to come in there and see the atmosphere

572

00:23:29,590 --> 00:23:27,760

on the sunlit side so we have lots of

573

00:23:31,350 --> 00:23:29,600

illumination you might think it's dark

574

00:23:33,270 --> 00:23:31,360

on the day side of venus but it's not

575

00:23:35,750 --> 00:23:33,280

and as ours probe comes through the

576

00:23:37,430 --> 00:23:35,760

clouds roughly at maybe 90 000 feet

577

00:23:39,190 --> 00:23:37,440

we'll start to see that surface and it

578

00:23:41,190 --> 00:23:39,200

will get sharper and sharper we'll

579

00:23:43,909 --> 00:23:41,200

measure its composition we'll see it in

580

00:23:45,590 --> 00:23:43,919

3d using new machine vision methods and

581

00:23:47,350 --> 00:23:45,600

eventually we'll see human scale

582

00:23:49,590 --> 00:23:47,360

features as if we're coming in on a

583

00:23:51,110 --> 00:23:49,600

helicopter or in your backyard drone so

584

00:23:53,029 --> 00:23:51,120

we're going to use the day side but as

585

00:23:55,350 --> 00:23:53,039

we get there we're going to visit venus

586

00:23:57,590 --> 00:23:55,360

twice on flybys taking movies of the

587

00:23:59,830 --> 00:23:57,600

upper cloud dynamics using ultraviolet

588

00:24:01,909 --> 00:23:59,840

cameras so we can track cloud motions to

589

00:24:04,149 --> 00:24:01,919

look at the climatology so while we go

590

00:24:05,990 --> 00:24:04,159

in on the dayside we will also see some

591

00:24:08,470 --> 00:24:06,000

of the big venus that sue's mission will

592

00:24:13,029 --> 00:24:10,390

great thank you our next question is

593

00:24:16,310 --> 00:24:13,039

also a da vinci question it is from

594

00:24:22,149 --> 00:24:19,590

who is from twitter and asks can the da

595

00:24:24,549 --> 00:24:22,159

vinci plus probe capture images of the

596

00:24:26,230 --> 00:24:24,559

surrounding landscape after it lands on

597

00:24:27,990 --> 00:24:26,240

the surface

598

00:24:29,990 --> 00:24:28,000

so the da vinci plus mission does not

599

00:24:31,750 --> 00:24:30,000

require landing we call ourselves a

600

00:24:33,029 --> 00:24:31,760

landerless lander because we make

601  
00:24:35,269 --> 00:24:33,039  
measurements all the way through the

602  
00:24:36,950 --> 00:24:35,279  
atmosphere as if we're landing ourselves

603  
00:24:38,870 --> 00:24:36,960  
and then we don't have to land because

604  
00:24:40,630 --> 00:24:38,880  
we'll get all of our data as you can see

605  
00:24:42,789 --> 00:24:40,640  
the probe being released from our mother

606  
00:24:44,549 --> 00:24:42,799  
spacecraft developed by lockheed martin

607  
00:24:47,029 --> 00:24:44,559  
we'll get all those data back to our

608  
00:24:49,350 --> 00:24:47,039  
mother ship back to earth but if we

609  
00:24:51,990 --> 00:24:49,360  
survive landing we have the capacity to

610  
00:24:53,510 --> 00:24:52,000  
operate for a few tens of minutes but we

611  
00:24:55,190 --> 00:24:53,520  
think our final images and final

612  
00:24:56,870 --> 00:24:55,200  
chemical measurements made maybe a

613  
00:24:58,789 --> 00:24:56,880

hundred meters above the surface and

614

00:25:00,390 --> 00:24:58,799

here we're in the clouds flying through

615

00:25:02,549 --> 00:25:00,400

that area about a hundred thousand feet

616

00:25:05,190 --> 00:25:02,559

high will show us features as small as

617

00:25:07,430 --> 00:25:05,200

baseballs hockey pucks on the surface so

618

00:25:09,190 --> 00:25:07,440

we could see that venus almost as if

619

00:25:10,310 --> 00:25:09,200

we've landed and the probe has

620

00:25:12,390 --> 00:25:10,320

instruments that can measure the

621

00:25:14,470 --> 00:25:12,400

chemistry temperature pressure

622

00:25:16,470 --> 00:25:14,480

composition all the way down

623

00:25:19,029 --> 00:25:16,480

literally as a kind of a drive-by

624

00:25:20,789 --> 00:25:19,039

chemical chemistry lab so we don't have

625

00:25:26,310 --> 00:25:20,799

to land to do our mission it would be

626

00:25:30,470 --> 00:25:27,350

all right

627

00:25:31,750 --> 00:25:30,480

uh next one i will uh also start with dr

628

00:25:33,830 --> 00:25:31,760

schmerkar but

629

00:25:36,390 --> 00:25:33,840

you may well want to join in dr garvin

630

00:25:39,110 --> 00:25:36,400

this is from redclix on twitter who's

631

00:25:41,510 --> 00:25:39,120

asking what really inspired nasa to

632

00:25:43,110 --> 00:25:41,520

return back to venus uh it is really

633

00:25:45,590 --> 00:25:43,120

exciting at the same time it's very

634

00:25:47,590 --> 00:25:45,600

challenging to accomplish this hottest

635

00:25:48,870 --> 00:25:47,600

planet destination

636

00:25:52,789 --> 00:25:48,880

what are your thoughts why do you think

637

00:25:57,029 --> 00:25:54,310

um well

638

00:25:59,990 --> 00:25:57,039

so many reasons but um

639

00:26:01,590 --> 00:26:00,000

you know i we heard from the interview

640

00:26:03,990 --> 00:26:01,600

with uh

641

00:26:05,909 --> 00:26:04,000

senator nelson and dr zubukin about the

642

00:26:07,590 --> 00:26:05,919

different atmospheres and the different

643

00:26:09,190 --> 00:26:07,600

uh surface temperatures for venus and

644

00:26:11,510 --> 00:26:09,200

mars and so you know earth is kind of

645

00:26:14,789 --> 00:26:11,520

like the goldilocks planet is just right

646

00:26:15,990 --> 00:26:14,799

you know and uh mars is uh cold and

647

00:26:17,830 --> 00:26:16,000

barren today

648

00:26:18,870 --> 00:26:17,840

uh venus is super hot and earth is just

649

00:26:19,830 --> 00:26:18,880

right so

650

00:26:21,590 --> 00:26:19,840

um

651  
00:26:24,710 --> 00:26:21,600  
you know we've learned so much in the

652  
00:26:26,149 --> 00:26:24,720  
past decades about about mars

653  
00:26:28,789 --> 00:26:26,159  
and of course we're learning new things

654  
00:26:31,430 --> 00:26:28,799  
about the earth all the time so

655  
00:26:33,669 --> 00:26:31,440  
we really need new data for venus to be

656  
00:26:35,909 --> 00:26:33,679  
able to understand what it is that makes

657  
00:26:39,110 --> 00:26:35,919  
earth unique why is it the only place we

658  
00:26:41,750 --> 00:26:39,120  
know of yet that has life why is it uh

659  
00:26:43,909 --> 00:26:41,760  
so so supremely habitable today we need

660  
00:26:45,990 --> 00:26:43,919  
big data from venus to be able to answer

661  
00:26:47,909 --> 00:26:46,000  
this mystery and look for

662  
00:26:50,390 --> 00:26:47,919  
similarly habitable planets around other

663  
00:26:52,630 --> 00:26:50,400

stars

664

00:26:55,269 --> 00:26:52,640

well if i may add karen i would say

665

00:26:58,230 --> 00:26:55,279

agree 100 million with sue but it's

666

00:26:59,909 --> 00:26:58,240

because it's time folks if we ignore our

667

00:27:02,149 --> 00:26:59,919

sister next door

668

00:27:03,669 --> 00:27:02,159

what do you think that says i mean i

669

00:27:05,990 --> 00:27:03,679

guess we ignore our neighbors sometimes

670

00:27:08,310 --> 00:27:06,000

but this case we don't want to but she

671

00:27:10,630 --> 00:27:08,320

has so much to tell us and yes she's

672

00:27:11,990 --> 00:27:10,640

hard but the engineers of planet earth

673

00:27:13,909 --> 00:27:12,000

those women and men that make things

674

00:27:16,230 --> 00:27:13,919

possible that we just talk about all the

675

00:27:18,549 --> 00:27:16,240

time they're going to let us do venus

676  
00:27:21,029 --> 00:27:18,559  
right so we can use what she's trying to

677  
00:27:23,590 --> 00:27:21,039  
tell us she's been trying literally

678  
00:27:25,510 --> 00:27:23,600  
wailing at us over the last 30 40 years

679  
00:27:26,710 --> 00:27:25,520  
to come home to come back and there's

680  
00:27:28,870 --> 00:27:26,720  
there's venus as you can see from

681  
00:27:30,950 --> 00:27:28,880  
magellan a beautiful view we need to go

682  
00:27:33,029 --> 00:27:30,960  
back because the time is right we have

683  
00:27:35,590 --> 00:27:33,039  
the tools we have the people we have the

684  
00:27:37,750 --> 00:27:35,600  
models we have the interest and wouldn't

685  
00:27:39,990 --> 00:27:37,760  
it be horrible if we didn't know our

686  
00:27:42,470 --> 00:27:40,000  
sister next door and started to see this

687  
00:27:44,149 --> 00:27:42,480  
plethora of extra exo venuses that dr

688  
00:27:45,669 --> 00:27:44,159

cherbuchen was talking about there may

689

00:27:47,750 --> 00:27:45,679

be dozens of them that we see with our

690

00:27:50,549 --> 00:27:47,760

james webb telescope we have to measure

691

00:27:53,269 --> 00:27:50,559

our venus to understand those venuses

692

00:27:55,350 --> 00:27:53,279

that's what it's all about

693

00:27:57,510 --> 00:27:55,360

thank you

694

00:28:00,630 --> 00:27:57,520

the next question is from william on

695

00:28:03,990 --> 00:28:00,640

facebook who asks what materials will be

696

00:28:05,669 --> 00:28:04,000

used to keep the spacecraft from melting

697

00:28:07,350 --> 00:28:05,679

it's probably a davinci

698

00:28:10,070 --> 00:28:07,360

question for starters but veritas may

699

00:28:11,669 --> 00:28:10,080

well have its own thermal constraints to

700

00:28:14,070 --> 00:28:11,679

work with

701  
00:28:16,149 --> 00:28:14,080  
well venus is hot and hard as as good

702  
00:28:18,389 --> 00:28:16,159  
question but we're building our

703  
00:28:20,870 --> 00:28:18,399  
spacecraft is about a meter diameter

704  
00:28:22,549 --> 00:28:20,880  
spherical or hemispherical titanium

705  
00:28:25,110 --> 00:28:22,559  
pressure vessel it's like the bath

706  
00:28:26,710 --> 00:28:25,120  
escapes that carry great ocean ocean

707  
00:28:28,310 --> 00:28:26,720  
explorers you can see the da vinci probe

708  
00:28:30,789 --> 00:28:28,320  
there it's about three and a half feet

709  
00:28:33,269 --> 00:28:30,799  
across it has spin veins so we can take

710  
00:28:35,110 --> 00:28:33,279  
beautiful images all the way down um

711  
00:28:37,029 --> 00:28:35,120  
it's made of titanium and inside we use

712  
00:28:38,870 --> 00:28:37,039  
a phase change material to keep the

713  
00:28:40,549 --> 00:28:38,880

temperature just right for those

714

00:28:43,029 --> 00:28:40,559

exquisite instruments that measure the

715

00:28:45,110 --> 00:28:43,039

chemistry and we have other techniques

716

00:28:47,350 --> 00:28:45,120

special kind of seals that allow just

717

00:28:49,430 --> 00:28:47,360

the atmosphere in when we attempt to

718

00:28:51,269 --> 00:28:49,440

make those ingests of atmosphere and at

719

00:28:53,269 --> 00:28:51,279

other times don't let it in so this

720

00:28:55,269 --> 00:28:53,279

technology it's worked before for our

721

00:28:57,430 --> 00:28:55,279

colleagues in russia we used it in the

722

00:29:00,070 --> 00:28:57,440

late 70s we're advancing it to the 21st

723

00:29:04,470 --> 00:29:00,080

century to open that venus frontier so

724

00:29:09,909 --> 00:29:06,310

yeah and we have a much

725

00:29:12,149 --> 00:29:09,919

easier job in the atmosphere than

726

00:29:13,669 --> 00:29:12,159

davinci has going to the surface but

727

00:29:15,590 --> 00:29:13,679

there's still a lot of heat that

728

00:29:18,230 --> 00:29:15,600

reflects off the clouds especially on

729

00:29:21,029 --> 00:29:18,240

the day side so we do have uh extra

730

00:29:23,750 --> 00:29:21,039

material on our solar panels that allow

731

00:29:24,950 --> 00:29:23,760

us to reflect some of that heat and make

732

00:29:26,789 --> 00:29:24,960

sure there's not too much of a

733

00:29:30,310 --> 00:29:26,799

temperature gradient from one side of

734

00:29:33,669 --> 00:29:32,149

great thank you so much we're still

735

00:29:36,470 --> 00:29:33,679

going remember you can send in your

736

00:29:37,669 --> 00:29:36,480

questions to ask nasa

737

00:29:43,909 --> 00:29:37,679

um

738

00:29:46,870 --> 00:29:43,919

up we have a question from at nickbe24

739

00:29:49,190 --> 00:29:46,880

on twitter who asks what data are you

740

00:29:50,950 --> 00:29:49,200

hoping to collect through these missions

741

00:29:53,990 --> 00:29:50,960

we can do dr samarkar again first and

742

00:29:55,110 --> 00:29:54,000

then dr garvin

743

00:29:56,710 --> 00:29:55,120

we are

744

00:29:59,590 --> 00:29:56,720

excited to be collecting a number of

745

00:30:01,909 --> 00:29:59,600

different data sets global topography

746

00:30:02,870 --> 00:30:01,919

global radar images

747

00:30:05,350 --> 00:30:02,880

we will

748

00:30:06,870 --> 00:30:05,360

get data from our spectrometer about the

749

00:30:09,510 --> 00:30:06,880

surface composition

750

00:30:11,590 --> 00:30:09,520

we look for we use that data to look for

751  
00:30:14,230 --> 00:30:11,600  
recent volcanism we can get a thermal

752  
00:30:16,070 --> 00:30:14,240  
signature of active volcanism uh we will

753  
00:30:18,149 --> 00:30:16,080  
be looking for gases coming from

754  
00:30:21,669 --> 00:30:18,159  
volcanoes and water in particular given

755  
00:30:23,830 --> 00:30:21,679  
off by active volcanoes so um and and

756  
00:30:25,909 --> 00:30:23,840  
lastly we take uh gravity data which

757  
00:30:27,909 --> 00:30:25,919  
tells us about the core uh about the

758  
00:30:30,149 --> 00:30:27,919  
mantle and i just want to say we're also

759  
00:30:31,830 --> 00:30:30,159  
taking data to measure active

760  
00:30:33,110 --> 00:30:31,840  
deformation on the surface so we have a

761  
00:30:37,430 --> 00:30:33,120  
bunch of different

762  
00:30:40,149 --> 00:30:37,440  
um ways to see the surface

763  
00:30:41,990 --> 00:30:40,159

well on davinci plus our job is to make

764

00:30:44,389 --> 00:30:42,000

hundreds of exquisite chemical

765

00:30:46,149 --> 00:30:44,399

measurements again as i said an order of

766

00:30:47,830 --> 00:30:46,159

magnitude better than ever made before

767

00:30:49,830 --> 00:30:47,840

and hundreds of times we will make a

768

00:30:52,230 --> 00:30:49,840

complete transect of the atmospheric

769

00:30:54,870 --> 00:30:52,240

chemistry we will sniff the inert noble

770

00:30:56,230 --> 00:30:54,880

gases and look at their isotopic ratios

771

00:30:58,149 --> 00:30:56,240

that's a big word sounds like it's out

772

00:31:00,230 --> 00:30:58,159

of jeopardy but it's not it's something

773

00:31:02,710 --> 00:31:00,240

that allow us to piece together the past

774

00:31:04,950 --> 00:31:02,720

history of venus why was atmosphere

775

00:31:06,950 --> 00:31:04,960

changed and and oceans lost and

776

00:31:08,149 --> 00:31:06,960

volcanoes erupting we can read all that

777

00:31:09,590 --> 00:31:08,159

through the measurements we make in the

778

00:31:11,669 --> 00:31:09,600

atmosphere from our chemistry

779

00:31:13,990 --> 00:31:11,679

measurements we'll also take hundreds of

780

00:31:15,990 --> 00:31:14,000

descent images through our surface port

781

00:31:18,230 --> 00:31:16,000

right at the bottom sapphire window will

782

00:31:19,750 --> 00:31:18,240

let us see the service bright and sharp

783

00:31:22,630 --> 00:31:19,760

just like the landings on mars only

784

00:31:23,990 --> 00:31:22,640

we'll do them in 3d with composition so

785

00:31:25,830 --> 00:31:24,000

we'll be able to measure what the rocks

786

00:31:27,350 --> 00:31:25,840

are like locally to compare to sue's

787

00:31:29,590 --> 00:31:27,360

measurements to the global ones from

788

00:31:31,269 --> 00:31:29,600

veritas and in the in the mount in the

789

00:31:32,789 --> 00:31:31,279

mountains of alpha we're thinking these

790

00:31:34,470 --> 00:31:32,799

could be an ancient continent with

791

00:31:36,870 --> 00:31:34,480

evolved rocks like you'd find in the

792

00:31:39,110 --> 00:31:36,880

mountains of new england or the canadian

793

00:31:41,750 --> 00:31:39,120

shield so we'll make those measurements

794

00:31:43,990 --> 00:31:41,760

and pressure temperature accelerations

795

00:31:45,269 --> 00:31:44,000

all the way down it'll be a wild ride

796

00:31:47,430 --> 00:31:45,279

and that data will be a boundary

797

00:31:49,990 --> 00:31:47,440

condition for scientists for generations

798

00:31:54,710 --> 00:31:52,389

thank you so much uh we have a lot more

799

00:31:57,269 --> 00:31:54,720

questions coming in from from social

800

00:31:58,789 --> 00:31:57,279

media and online but all of you sending

801  
00:32:01,029 --> 00:31:58,799  
your questions are not the only ones

802  
00:32:02,070 --> 00:32:01,039  
excited about these new solar system

803  
00:32:03,909 --> 00:32:02,080  
missions

804  
00:32:06,870 --> 00:32:03,919  
so we're going to hear from some other

805  
00:32:09,190 --> 00:32:06,880  
veritas and da vinci plus mission team

806  
00:32:11,830 --> 00:32:09,200  
members

807  
00:32:14,630 --> 00:32:11,840  
nasi is returning to venus after 30

808  
00:32:18,149 --> 00:32:14,640  
years we're going back to venus and our

809  
00:32:20,470 --> 00:32:18,159  
team of managers engineers scientists

810  
00:32:23,909 --> 00:32:20,480  
technicians and instrument developers

811  
00:32:26,950 --> 00:32:23,919  
are ready i was extremely excited to get

812  
00:32:30,070 --> 00:32:26,960  
to compete with other professionals to

813  
00:32:32,389 --> 00:32:30,080

try and put a new mission around venus

814

00:32:33,990 --> 00:32:32,399

hi everybody and good morning i'm an

815

00:32:35,909 --> 00:32:34,000

environment right now that is as

816

00:32:38,470 --> 00:32:35,919

different from venus as you can possibly

817

00:32:40,870 --> 00:32:38,480

be we have water we've got ice we have

818

00:32:42,549 --> 00:32:40,880

trees venus is one of the most enigmatic

819

00:32:44,870 --> 00:32:42,559

worlds that we know of

820

00:32:47,190 --> 00:32:44,880

we have so many unanswered questions

821

00:32:49,750 --> 00:32:47,200

about the planet next door how did venus

822

00:32:52,470 --> 00:32:49,760

form did it have oceans

823

00:32:54,149 --> 00:32:52,480

where did the water go how earth and

824

00:32:57,029 --> 00:32:54,159

venus

825

00:32:59,269 --> 00:32:57,039

became so different what makes a rocky

826

00:33:00,870 --> 00:32:59,279

planet become habitable and what makes

827

00:33:03,269 --> 00:33:00,880

it not what

828

00:33:04,870 --> 00:33:03,279

ancient climate may be preserved in the

829

00:33:07,269 --> 00:33:04,880

rock record you know these are the

830

00:33:10,070 --> 00:33:07,279

compelling questions that drive me to

831

00:33:11,830 --> 00:33:10,080

study venus i am passionate about venus

832

00:33:14,870 --> 00:33:11,840

because it's been a puzzle that has

833

00:33:17,110 --> 00:33:14,880

compounded us for so many decades venus

834

00:33:18,789 --> 00:33:17,120

promises those answers we're going deep

835

00:33:21,029 --> 00:33:18,799

into the atmosphere learning about the

836

00:33:22,710 --> 00:33:21,039

atmosphere we're going into orbit to get

837

00:33:25,029 --> 00:33:22,720

some long-term images

838

00:33:28,070 --> 00:33:25,039

and this should be a fantastic mission i

839

00:33:30,549 --> 00:33:28,080

also as a geologist i'm anxious to see

840

00:33:33,350 --> 00:33:30,559

the surface of venus with my own eyes as

841

00:33:35,909 --> 00:33:33,360

it were i imagine what it is to be in

842

00:33:38,789 --> 00:33:35,919

the cloud of venus to travel through

843

00:33:40,310 --> 00:33:38,799

the transparent hot atmosphere below and

844

00:33:42,950 --> 00:33:40,320

especially the environment near the

845

00:33:45,669 --> 00:33:42,960

surface where the air is so thick that

846

00:33:48,549 --> 00:33:45,679

in some way we are between a gas and a

847

00:33:51,029 --> 00:33:48,559

liquid in my wildest dreams we're gonna

848

00:33:53,509 --> 00:33:51,039

find a venus that is even more

849

00:33:56,470 --> 00:33:53,519

volcanically active than what we observe

850

00:33:57,909 --> 00:33:56,480

on earth today the secrets of venus past

851  
00:34:00,230 --> 00:33:57,919  
habitability

852  
00:34:02,630 --> 00:34:00,240  
will allow us to understand

853  
00:34:04,870 --> 00:34:02,640  
the evolution of earth-sized planets

854  
00:34:08,230 --> 00:34:04,880  
around other stars i am

855  
00:34:09,909 --> 00:34:08,240  
very inspired and very happy to continue

856  
00:34:12,950 --> 00:34:09,919  
in the business of

857  
00:34:15,349 --> 00:34:12,960  
exploration but also the business of

858  
00:34:17,669 --> 00:34:15,359  
inspiration we're looking forward to

859  
00:34:19,270 --> 00:34:17,679  
bringing the scientific community and

860  
00:34:21,349 --> 00:34:19,280  
the public along with us on our

861  
00:34:23,430 --> 00:34:21,359  
adventure this is a really exciting

862  
00:34:25,750 --> 00:34:23,440  
mission and i am so proud to be part of

863  
00:34:27,990 --> 00:34:25,760

it i can't wait for the data from

864

00:34:29,990 --> 00:34:28,000

davinci working with a beautiful

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00:34:31,829 --> 00:34:30,000

spacecraft with clever mission design

866

00:34:32,550 --> 00:34:31,839

and state-of-the-art instruments

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00:34:34,869 --> 00:34:32,560

and

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00:34:37,829 --> 00:34:34,879

getting just making that happen it would

869

00:34:41,750 --> 00:34:37,839

be tremendous fun and looking forward to

870

00:34:43,990 --> 00:34:41,760

it go veritas and go da vinci plus

871

00:34:46,829 --> 00:34:44,000

it is so great to see all the excitement

872

00:34:49,750 --> 00:34:46,839

and enthusiasm around these new missions

873

00:34:51,909 --> 00:34:49,760

um speaking of excitement and enthusiasm

874

00:34:53,430 --> 00:34:51,919

let's go back to the questions uh from

875

00:34:55,030 --> 00:34:53,440

all of you at home

876

00:34:58,230 --> 00:34:55,040

sending them in

877

00:35:01,109 --> 00:34:58,240

uh we have a canal a on youtube

878

00:35:03,190 --> 00:35:01,119

who asks will there be new technology on

879

00:35:06,870 --> 00:35:03,200

the missions to venus that hasn't

880

00:35:12,950 --> 00:35:09,510

i'll toss to either of you

881

00:35:14,950 --> 00:35:12,960

well i can just say the technology of

882

00:35:16,390 --> 00:35:14,960

encapsulating the next generation kind

883

00:35:18,230 --> 00:35:16,400

of instruments we're flying to venus the

884

00:35:19,910 --> 00:35:18,240

kind they're operating on mars now in

885

00:35:21,990 --> 00:35:19,920

conditions that are a lot more clement

886

00:35:23,510 --> 00:35:22,000

um had to be invented for us to even

887

00:35:25,349 --> 00:35:23,520

have a chance of flying these missions

888

00:35:27,750 --> 00:35:25,359

these are competitively selected

889

00:35:29,589 --> 00:35:27,760

missions by dr zurbukin and and the

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00:35:31,430 --> 00:35:29,599

colleagues at nasa so we have to compete

891

00:35:33,829 --> 00:35:31,440

for the right and the chance to do that

892

00:35:36,310 --> 00:35:33,839

and so the technologies we invent are

893

00:35:38,470 --> 00:35:36,320

invented now to go to venus and we hope

894

00:35:41,030 --> 00:35:38,480

we can test new technologies as part of

895

00:35:42,710 --> 00:35:41,040

our technology demonstration experiments

896

00:35:44,550 --> 00:35:42,720

to even extend that further and we have

897

00:35:46,870 --> 00:35:44,560

one on davinci plus to measure the

898

00:35:48,790 --> 00:35:46,880

hyperspectral composition of the upper

899

00:35:50,790 --> 00:35:48,800

clouds of venus to see what are the

900

00:35:53,030 --> 00:35:50,800

mystery absorbers like this is the kind

901  
00:35:56,870 --> 00:35:53,040  
of future casting we want to do at nasa

902  
00:36:00,470 --> 00:35:58,390  
yeah i mean we

903  
00:36:02,870 --> 00:36:00,480  
have another technology demonstration on

904  
00:36:06,069 --> 00:36:02,880  
veritas it's called a deep space atomic

905  
00:36:09,190 --> 00:36:06,079  
clock and it is incredibly accurate

906  
00:36:10,870 --> 00:36:09,200  
and by bringing that new technology

907  
00:36:14,470 --> 00:36:10,880  
development along

908  
00:36:16,630 --> 00:36:14,480  
we can help improve our ability to

909  
00:36:19,109 --> 00:36:16,640  
measure the motion of our spacecraft and

910  
00:36:21,349 --> 00:36:19,119  
use that to sense the interior of the

911  
00:36:22,390 --> 00:36:21,359  
planet to incense to sense the gravity

912  
00:36:25,030 --> 00:36:22,400  
field

913  
00:36:28,150 --> 00:36:25,040

and it'll help future missions as well

914

00:36:31,030 --> 00:36:28,160

to be able to provide even better data

915

00:36:33,190 --> 00:36:31,040

for the interior of uh perhaps i see

916

00:36:35,190 --> 00:36:33,200

satellite icy moons or

917

00:36:37,589 --> 00:36:35,200

other bodies where they can fly the deep

918

00:36:40,950 --> 00:36:37,599

space atomic clock in the future

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00:36:43,349 --> 00:36:40,960

and you know veritas has a lot of excess

920

00:36:44,870 --> 00:36:43,359

launch mass so it's entirely possible

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00:36:47,190 --> 00:36:44,880

that um

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00:36:49,750 --> 00:36:47,200

nasa will decide to add another payload

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00:36:51,190 --> 00:36:49,760

on that's uh you know being developed as

924

00:36:53,510 --> 00:36:51,200

we speak and

925

00:36:54,870 --> 00:36:53,520

may be selected in future competition so

926  
00:36:57,349 --> 00:36:54,880  
stay tuned we'll see what we actually

927  
00:36:58,310 --> 00:36:57,359  
launch with

928  
00:37:01,589 --> 00:36:58,320  
great

929  
00:37:03,349 --> 00:37:01,599  
uh ziroshuki on youtube asks how are you

930  
00:37:06,150 --> 00:37:03,359  
going to keep the spacecraft up and

931  
00:37:08,150 --> 00:37:06,160  
running as long as possible since most

932  
00:37:10,870 --> 00:37:08,160  
die so fast i'm going to tweak this

933  
00:37:13,349 --> 00:37:10,880  
slightly um to add just about how long

934  
00:37:15,430 --> 00:37:13,359  
each mission is expected to to the

935  
00:37:17,030 --> 00:37:15,440  
lifetime of each mission

936  
00:37:20,310 --> 00:37:17,040  
but i think it's a starter question for

937  
00:37:22,790 --> 00:37:20,320  
davinci with going down onto the surface

938  
00:37:24,550 --> 00:37:22,800

well our mission is is a little over two

939

00:37:26,950 --> 00:37:24,560

and a half years we actually launch and

940

00:37:28,550 --> 00:37:26,960

fly by venus twice to collect special

941

00:37:30,390 --> 00:37:28,560

atmospheric remote sensing data we're

942

00:37:32,230 --> 00:37:30,400

all about the atmosphere we think that's

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00:37:33,910 --> 00:37:32,240

the history book of venus that we want

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00:37:35,510 --> 00:37:33,920

to read and so we'll make these maps of

945

00:37:37,270 --> 00:37:35,520

cloud motions we'll look at the

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00:37:39,109 --> 00:37:37,280

atmosphere as we look at that of earth

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00:37:40,390 --> 00:37:39,119

you can see the earth here as we launch

948

00:37:41,589 --> 00:37:40,400

to venus

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00:37:43,750 --> 00:37:41,599

so we're very excited about that but

950

00:37:45,430 --> 00:37:43,760

then our final mission we release our

951  
00:37:47,750 --> 00:37:45,440  
probe and you can see us being released

952  
00:37:49,430 --> 00:37:47,760  
on our transvenous injection

953  
00:37:50,870 --> 00:37:49,440  
after we launch

954  
00:37:53,109 --> 00:37:50,880  
but it'll take us about six months to

955  
00:37:54,870 --> 00:37:53,119  
get the venus we'll fly by venus twice

956  
00:37:56,550 --> 00:37:54,880  
and then uh going around the sun we'll

957  
00:37:58,390 --> 00:37:56,560  
come back and we'll release our probe

958  
00:38:01,190 --> 00:37:58,400  
two days out and then our probe

959  
00:38:03,109 --> 00:38:01,200  
spacecraft again in an aeroshell will

960  
00:38:05,270 --> 00:38:03,119  
fly through the atmosphere for about an

961  
00:38:07,670 --> 00:38:05,280  
hour and reach the surface landing at

962  
00:38:09,990 --> 00:38:07,680  
about a speed of maybe 20 25 miles an

963  
00:38:12,390 --> 00:38:10,000

hour and during that time we'll collect

964

00:38:15,430 --> 00:38:12,400

thousands of data sets of a new type

965

00:38:17,670 --> 00:38:15,440

chemistry imaging composition uh

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00:38:19,430 --> 00:38:17,680

pressure temperature see the lower

967

00:38:21,829 --> 00:38:19,440

surface of venus for the first time in

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00:38:23,349 --> 00:38:21,839

this new way and so the overall

969

00:38:25,190 --> 00:38:23,359

probe mission will be about an hour

970

00:38:26,870 --> 00:38:25,200

we've survived in the surface we may

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00:38:28,390 --> 00:38:26,880

have another couple of tens of minutes

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00:38:30,310 --> 00:38:28,400

and then our spacecraft will play all

973

00:38:33,589 --> 00:38:30,320

that data back so that's our mission

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00:38:39,589 --> 00:38:36,630

and for veritas we get to venus very

975

00:38:42,390 --> 00:38:39,599

rapidly in about six months and then we

976  
00:38:45,750 --> 00:38:42,400  
spend quite a bit of time going from a

977  
00:38:48,069 --> 00:38:45,760  
big orbit that goes out you know 10 000

978  
00:38:51,030 --> 00:38:48,079  
kilometers uh and then bringing that

979  
00:38:53,270 --> 00:38:51,040  
orbit down slowly to being just a few

980  
00:38:56,470 --> 00:38:53,280  
hundred miles above the surface

981  
00:38:57,829 --> 00:38:56,480  
so uh we actually use our solar panels

982  
00:39:00,870 --> 00:38:57,839  
uh to

983  
00:39:04,310 --> 00:39:00,880  
effectively act like a drag flaps um you

984  
00:39:06,470 --> 00:39:04,320  
know you have a spoiler in the back of a

985  
00:39:08,630 --> 00:39:06,480  
racing car well we use our solar panels

986  
00:39:11,750 --> 00:39:08,640  
instead and we dip gently into the

987  
00:39:14,069 --> 00:39:11,760  
atmosphere and it slows us down over the

988  
00:39:15,990 --> 00:39:14,079

over the course of about a year and in

989

00:39:18,310 --> 00:39:16,000

that time we get into the precise orbit

990

00:39:19,750 --> 00:39:18,320

we need to be in to

991

00:39:22,069 --> 00:39:19,760

get the best performance out of our

992

00:39:23,990 --> 00:39:22,079

instruments so uh you know after about

993

00:39:26,069 --> 00:39:24,000

uh two years we're ready to start taking

994

00:39:27,910 --> 00:39:26,079

our science data and we spend about

995

00:39:28,790 --> 00:39:27,920

three and a half years acquiring science

996

00:39:31,750 --> 00:39:28,800

data

997

00:39:34,310 --> 00:39:31,760

mapping in a series of global houses

998

00:39:36,710 --> 00:39:34,320

around the planet

999

00:39:38,470 --> 00:39:36,720

thank you so much the next one up is a

1000

00:39:41,349 --> 00:39:38,480

davinci question

1001  
00:39:43,750 --> 00:39:41,359  
john spelman on youtube asks will da

1002  
00:39:45,910 --> 00:39:43,760  
vinci plus be able to detect phosphate

1003  
00:39:47,589 --> 00:39:45,920  
molecules what would it mean for future

1004  
00:39:50,069 --> 00:39:47,599  
emissions if phosphine was actually

1005  
00:39:52,230 --> 00:39:50,079  
discovered by da vinci

1006  
00:39:54,630 --> 00:39:52,240  
so first davinci has two analytical

1007  
00:39:55,910 --> 00:39:54,640  
chemistry experiments one can detect

1008  
00:39:57,829 --> 00:39:55,920  
phosphine throughout the entire

1009  
00:39:59,829 --> 00:39:57,839  
atmosphere especially from the lower

1010  
00:40:01,670 --> 00:39:59,839  
clouds all the way to the surface where

1011  
00:40:03,510 --> 00:40:01,680  
none of no species with phosphorus have

1012  
00:40:05,829 --> 00:40:03,520  
been detected so we will be looking for

1013  
00:40:07,750 --> 00:40:05,839

that with exquisite detail like the

1014

00:40:09,510 --> 00:40:07,760

measurements being made on mars now with

1015

00:40:10,950 --> 00:40:09,520

our our instrument we also have an

1016

00:40:13,109 --> 00:40:10,960

instrument that's a very special one

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00:40:15,270 --> 00:40:13,119

that uses lasers and scattering that

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00:40:17,030 --> 00:40:15,280

that can measure lots of great species

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00:40:18,870 --> 00:40:17,040

and we can adapt that instrument by

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00:40:19,990 --> 00:40:18,880

adding a new channel which is an option

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00:40:22,309 --> 00:40:20,000

that we'll be pursuing in the next

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00:40:24,150 --> 00:40:22,319

couple years to specifically measure the

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00:40:26,470 --> 00:40:24,160

phosphate that's such an exciting

1024

00:40:28,390 --> 00:40:26,480

possibility for venus the bigger point

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00:40:30,390 --> 00:40:28,400

though is we will measure the chemical

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00:40:32,870 --> 00:40:30,400

context of all those interesting trace

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00:40:34,790 --> 00:40:32,880

gases phosphine which smells like swamp

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00:40:35,670 --> 00:40:34,800

gas but other ones that might be equally

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00:40:37,670 --> 00:40:35,680

interesting that we haven't even

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00:40:39,750 --> 00:40:37,680

discovered yet and by producing that

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00:40:42,550 --> 00:40:39,760

context we can start to think about

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00:40:44,870 --> 00:40:42,560

venus as an astrobiological target so

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00:40:46,790 --> 00:40:44,880

it's not just phosphine it's all of the

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00:40:48,390 --> 00:40:46,800

context of the chemistry of this rich

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00:40:49,510 --> 00:40:48,400

atmosphere that could have had a

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00:40:53,829 --> 00:40:49,520

habitable

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00:40:56,069 --> 00:40:53,839

past or not but we need the context to

1038

00:40:57,270 --> 00:40:56,079

understand that possibility that's how

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00:40:58,390 --> 00:40:57,280

the astrobiology community has

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00:41:01,589 --> 00:40:58,400

recommended we work and that's what

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00:41:02,630 --> 00:41:01,599

we're going to do with davinci plus

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00:41:04,390 --> 00:41:02,640

thank you

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00:41:06,870 --> 00:41:04,400

next one is a vulcanology question so

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00:41:10,390 --> 00:41:06,880

i'm going to toss this one to dr smrekar

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00:41:12,710 --> 00:41:10,400

um srivasa m on youtube asks a

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00:41:14,790 --> 00:41:12,720

speculative question about earth if all

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00:41:15,910 --> 00:41:14,800

the volcanoes on earth started erupting

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00:41:17,829 --> 00:41:15,920

at once

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00:41:19,430 --> 00:41:17,839

could that turn earth to look into

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00:41:21,750 --> 00:41:19,440

something like venus in just a couple of

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00:41:25,190 --> 00:41:21,760

decades

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00:41:28,790 --> 00:41:25,200

uh it was a hard one a lot more

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00:41:31,910 --> 00:41:28,800

yeah and um you know i will have to uh

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00:41:33,030 --> 00:41:31,920

draw on some uh conclusions that i'll

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00:41:35,430 --> 00:41:33,040

um

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00:41:36,790 --> 00:41:35,440

put together as we speak but

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00:41:39,190 --> 00:41:36,800

there are

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00:41:41,589 --> 00:41:39,200

about a couple dozen active volcanoes on

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00:41:42,790 --> 00:41:41,599

venus and there are many on earth hardly

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00:41:44,069 --> 00:41:42,800

and uh

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00:41:46,550 --> 00:41:44,079

there are

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00:41:49,349 --> 00:41:46,560

many more that haven't erupted recently

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00:41:50,950 --> 00:41:49,359

so if we take all of those and put them

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00:41:52,950 --> 00:41:50,960

together

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00:41:54,870 --> 00:41:52,960

we would certainly have a very big

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00:41:56,710 --> 00:41:54,880

impact on our climate

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00:41:57,589 --> 00:41:56,720

and we would feel that you know right

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00:42:00,470 --> 00:41:57,599

away

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00:42:03,190 --> 00:42:00,480

but uh it would not turn us into a venus

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00:42:05,190 --> 00:42:03,200

that would take you know probably

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00:42:07,349 --> 00:42:05,200

hundreds of millions of years before you

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00:42:10,390 --> 00:42:07,359

get to such an extreme point

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00:42:12,870 --> 00:42:10,400

as um as venus is and you know really

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00:42:15,589 --> 00:42:12,880

the major difference between the climate

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00:42:17,829 --> 00:42:15,599

of earth and venus is that on earth

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00:42:21,270 --> 00:42:17,839

because we still have our oceans

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00:42:23,589 --> 00:42:21,280

um the co2 the carbon dioxide is locked

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00:42:26,390 --> 00:42:23,599

up in our rocks and our carbonate rocks

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00:42:28,390 --> 00:42:26,400

they that carbonate gas dissolves in the

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00:42:29,589 --> 00:42:28,400

ocean and it precipitated out it's just

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00:42:32,230 --> 00:42:29,599

sank to the bottom and created these

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00:42:33,910 --> 00:42:32,240

carbonate rocks and so uh you know

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00:42:36,390 --> 00:42:33,920

unless we release all that carbon

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00:42:40,150 --> 00:42:36,400

dioxide back into the atmosphere uh

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00:42:42,390 --> 00:42:40,160

we'll never become like venus

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00:42:49,750 --> 00:42:42,400

good to know

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00:42:49,760 --> 00:42:52,550

like venus

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00:42:58,309 --> 00:42:55,430

all right next question lou on facebook

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00:43:00,710 --> 00:42:58,319

asks is it true that venus's atmosphere

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00:43:02,870 --> 00:43:00,720

smells like rotten eggs

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00:43:04,630 --> 00:43:02,880

who want to take that one

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00:43:05,910 --> 00:43:04,640

well i can give a stab and sue can

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00:43:08,630 --> 00:43:05,920

obviously finish

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00:43:11,109 --> 00:43:08,640

so rotten eggs of course is an acquired

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00:43:12,470 --> 00:43:11,119

smell based on gases

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00:43:14,470 --> 00:43:12,480

compounds that involve hydrogen and

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00:43:15,910 --> 00:43:14,480

sulfur we'll be able to measure those

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00:43:18,069 --> 00:43:15,920

but however the most of the absolute

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00:43:20,470 --> 00:43:18,079

venus is made of carbon dioxide with

1100

00:43:22,470 --> 00:43:20,480

nitrogen and argon and other inert gases

1101

00:43:24,470 --> 00:43:22,480

so a portion of the atmosphere and the

1102

00:43:26,550 --> 00:43:24,480

clouds you just saw is where we expect

1103

00:43:28,870 --> 00:43:26,560

to find those special

1104

00:43:30,790 --> 00:43:28,880

sulfur and hydrogen compounds

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00:43:32,550 --> 00:43:30,800

and that constitutes this really thick

1106

00:43:34,790 --> 00:43:32,560

cloud deck that's very difficult to see

1107

00:43:36,710 --> 00:43:34,800

through needing instruments like sue has

1108

00:43:39,030 --> 00:43:36,720

but we'll be sniffing those with

1109

00:43:40,470 --> 00:43:39,040

instruments not human noses to measure

1110

00:43:42,150 --> 00:43:40,480

what they're made of and tell you

1111

00:43:44,630 --> 00:43:42,160

specifically would they smell like

1112

00:43:46,550 --> 00:43:44,640

rotten eggs or swamp gas or other things

1113

00:43:47,829 --> 00:43:46,560

that would be very exciting to smell and

1114

00:43:50,230 --> 00:43:47,839

i think we'll connect the smells of

1115

00:43:55,750 --> 00:43:50,240

humanity to the measurements of venus if

1116

00:44:00,550 --> 00:43:58,069

well i will leave it at that uh

1117

00:44:01,589 --> 00:44:00,560

the next question is kaden kolbath on

1118

00:44:04,470 --> 00:44:01,599

youtube

1119

00:44:06,470 --> 00:44:04,480

who asks how long does it take to get to

1120

00:44:07,990 --> 00:44:06,480

venus

1121

00:44:09,990 --> 00:44:08,000

dr schmecker mentioned that why don't we

1122

00:44:13,589 --> 00:44:10,000

go to you for this one

1123

00:44:16,630 --> 00:44:13,599

sure um well it depends on um how close

1124

00:44:18,790 --> 00:44:16,640

you are to venus when you launch but uh

1125

00:44:21,190 --> 00:44:18,800

we have different possible trajectories

1126

00:44:24,390 --> 00:44:21,200

that will get us there from anywhere as

1127

00:44:26,470 --> 00:44:24,400

short as uh you know four months to as

1128

00:44:28,950 --> 00:44:26,480

long as nine months but we're hoping for

1129

00:44:34,150 --> 00:44:28,960

a sweet swat sweet spot around six

1130

00:44:39,109 --> 00:44:37,030

all right i'm going to add on uh a

1131

00:44:41,430 --> 00:44:39,119

slight addition to that question from

1132

00:44:43,430 --> 00:44:41,440

future starman on twitter who's also

1133

00:44:44,790 --> 00:44:43,440

asking how long until the missions are

1134

00:44:47,910 --> 00:44:44,800

ready

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00:44:53,270 --> 00:44:48,710

well

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00:44:55,829 --> 00:44:53,280

we could be as ready as early as 26 um

1137

00:44:57,910 --> 00:44:55,839

nasa has asked us to be ready to launch

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00:44:59,990 --> 00:44:57,920

in uh 28

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00:45:01,430 --> 00:45:00,000

that works best for their phasing of all

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00:45:04,470 --> 00:45:01,440

their various missions so that's our

1141

00:45:07,109 --> 00:45:04,480

goal at the moment

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00:45:09,670 --> 00:45:07,119

right nasa has dictated launch scenarios

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00:45:11,109 --> 00:45:09,680

for us based on funding profiles which

1144

00:45:13,510 --> 00:45:11,119

we're grateful

1145

00:45:15,990 --> 00:45:13,520

grateful to have and so our missions are

1146

00:45:18,230 --> 00:45:16,000

scheduled for the 28 to 2030 time frame

1147

00:45:20,230 --> 00:45:18,240

to reach venus and so that's going to be

1148

00:45:21,829 --> 00:45:20,240

a great time to go to venus james webb

1149

00:45:23,430 --> 00:45:21,839

will be flying we'll be seeing exo

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00:45:25,829 --> 00:45:23,440

venuses maybe they'll look like the

1151  
00:45:27,670 --> 00:45:25,839  
venus we see here from magellan so we

1152  
00:45:30,470 --> 00:45:27,680  
can't wait sooner would be better but

1153  
00:45:31,750 --> 00:45:30,480  
we'll take anything

1154  
00:45:32,950 --> 00:45:31,760  
all right tell us a little bit more

1155  
00:45:34,950 --> 00:45:32,960  
about venus we're getting some good

1156  
00:45:38,470 --> 00:45:34,960  
questions about the planet itself

1157  
00:45:41,589 --> 00:45:38,480  
sonia on facebook asks does venus have

1158  
00:45:45,670 --> 00:45:43,270  
uh well i can take that one we're going

1159  
00:45:48,230 --> 00:45:45,680  
to measure the gravity field of venus

1160  
00:45:50,870 --> 00:45:48,240  
very precisely and uh absolutely it has

1161  
00:45:52,710 --> 00:45:50,880  
gravity it's um sorry i keep

1162  
00:45:54,150 --> 00:45:52,720  
going the wrong direction here

1163  
00:45:56,870 --> 00:45:54,160

but um

1164

00:45:59,109 --> 00:45:56,880

i need gravity to hold it in place um

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00:46:01,430 --> 00:45:59,119

yeah so

1166

00:46:03,670 --> 00:46:01,440

we are going to measure the gravity it

1167

00:46:05,990 --> 00:46:03,680

is just slightly less than that of the

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00:46:06,950 --> 00:46:06,000

earth because it is slightly smaller

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00:46:08,069 --> 00:46:06,960

planet

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00:46:10,870 --> 00:46:08,079

um so

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00:46:14,790 --> 00:46:10,880

the gravity at the surface is about 10

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00:46:16,630 --> 00:46:14,800

less than on earth

1173

00:46:20,069 --> 00:46:16,640

all right this one will be for you as

1174

00:46:22,870 --> 00:46:20,079

well dr smrekar robert on facebook asks

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00:46:24,790 --> 00:46:22,880

is there evidence that oceans existed or

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00:46:26,390 --> 00:46:24,800

are they theoretical

1177

00:46:27,589 --> 00:46:26,400

actually i take it back i think either

1178

00:46:29,990 --> 00:46:27,599

of you can answer that da vinci is

1179

00:46:33,270 --> 00:46:30,000

looking for oceans so i i may toss this

1180

00:46:35,109 --> 00:46:33,280

one to dr garvan i got that backwards

1181

00:46:37,430 --> 00:46:35,119

well uh karen i can take a stab and i

1182

00:46:39,910 --> 00:46:37,440

think sushi it as well so

1183

00:46:40,950 --> 00:46:39,920

the evidence of oceans is recorded in

1184

00:46:43,030 --> 00:46:40,960

the

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00:46:45,589 --> 00:46:43,040

measurements that were made from

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00:46:46,790 --> 00:46:45,599

spacecraft in the late 70s that involved

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00:46:48,790 --> 00:46:46,800

measuring the what are called the

1188

00:46:50,630 --> 00:46:48,800

isotopes of hydrogen and that critical

1189

00:46:53,030 --> 00:46:50,640

ratio of regular hydrogen and heavy

1190

00:46:54,710 --> 00:46:53,040

hydrogen gives us an insight on how much

1191

00:46:56,710 --> 00:46:54,720

water bound

1192

00:46:58,309 --> 00:46:56,720

in hydrogen molecules was present and we

1193

00:47:00,630 --> 00:46:58,319

made that measurement thanks to pioneer

1194

00:47:02,069 --> 00:47:00,640

venus large probe and since then

1195

00:47:03,430 --> 00:47:02,079

atmospheric high atmospheric

1196

00:47:04,950 --> 00:47:03,440

measurements been made by the venus

1197

00:47:07,349 --> 00:47:04,960

express mission and they show a

1198

00:47:09,349 --> 00:47:07,359

possibility of very grand oceans but the

1199

00:47:11,589 --> 00:47:09,359

real exciting thing is like you can see

1200

00:47:13,430 --> 00:47:11,599

here perhaps for billions of years

1201  
00:47:15,589 --> 00:47:13,440  
through venus history the exciting thing

1202  
00:47:17,750 --> 00:47:15,599  
is that new atmosphere climate models

1203  
00:47:19,990 --> 00:47:17,760  
developed by the community around the

1204  
00:47:21,589 --> 00:47:20,000  
world have shown us the possibility that

1205  
00:47:23,589 --> 00:47:21,599  
venus works the way we think and again

1206  
00:47:25,589 --> 00:47:23,599  
as sue said there may be myths about

1207  
00:47:27,349 --> 00:47:25,599  
what we think until we measure more but

1208  
00:47:29,270 --> 00:47:27,359  
if it does venus could have harbored

1209  
00:47:31,349 --> 00:47:29,280  
oceans for three and a half billion

1210  
00:47:32,950 --> 00:47:31,359  
years what davinci plus will do is

1211  
00:47:36,069 --> 00:47:32,960  
measure that ratio

1212  
00:47:37,829 --> 00:47:36,079  
at exquisite exquisite precision ten

1213  
00:47:39,589 --> 00:47:37,839

times through the atmosphere from above

1214

00:47:41,190 --> 00:47:39,599

the clouds all the way to the near

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00:47:43,270 --> 00:47:41,200

surface and that will set the record

1216

00:47:45,190 --> 00:47:43,280

straight did it have big oceans did it

1217

00:47:46,870 --> 00:47:45,200

when were they lost how were they lost

1218

00:47:48,710 --> 00:47:46,880

why were they lost those are key

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00:47:50,309 --> 00:47:48,720

questions we can ask

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00:47:52,309 --> 00:47:50,319

through the chemical measurements that

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00:47:54,630 --> 00:47:52,319

we will make in context with davinci

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00:47:56,630 --> 00:47:54,640

plus

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00:47:59,349 --> 00:47:56,640

right and veritas we'll take another

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00:48:01,430 --> 00:47:59,359

slice at that question we are looking

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00:48:04,069 --> 00:48:01,440

for evidence of

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00:48:07,030 --> 00:48:04,079

analogues of earth's continents

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00:48:10,309 --> 00:48:07,040

on earth the continents that we live on

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00:48:12,150 --> 00:48:10,319

formed when huge amounts of oceanic

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00:48:14,390 --> 00:48:12,160

crust that the salted crust iron rich

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00:48:16,549 --> 00:48:14,400

crust melted the presence of water and

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00:48:18,870 --> 00:48:16,559

so with our instruments we're going to

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00:48:20,470 --> 00:48:18,880

determine if these giant plateaus and

1233

00:48:23,030 --> 00:48:20,480

venus are in fact

1234

00:48:25,430 --> 00:48:23,040

uh just like earth's continents and are

1235

00:48:26,950 --> 00:48:25,440

thus telling us about the history of

1236

00:48:29,510 --> 00:48:26,960

past water that

1237

00:48:32,230 --> 00:48:29,520

that crust melted the presence of water

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00:48:34,309 --> 00:48:32,240

and you know shows us that there's still

1239

00:48:37,670 --> 00:48:34,319

this history of water locked in the rock

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00:48:42,710 --> 00:48:39,829

all right thank you next question is

1241

00:48:44,230 --> 00:48:42,720

from sri anash singh on youtube who has

1242

00:48:47,109 --> 00:48:44,240

another speculative question that we

1243

00:48:49,510 --> 00:48:47,119

cannot specifically answer for nasa but

1244

00:48:51,829 --> 00:48:49,520

it says will for future venus missions

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00:48:53,670 --> 00:48:51,839

include a sample return system from

1246

00:48:55,750 --> 00:48:53,680

venus and of course we cannot predict

1247

00:48:57,510 --> 00:48:55,760

what nasa will choose down the road but

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00:49:00,230 --> 00:48:57,520

if you know of anybody thinking about it

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00:49:03,670 --> 00:49:00,240

or what samples might uh tell us i'd

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00:49:07,510 --> 00:49:05,349

well yeah

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00:49:09,030 --> 00:49:07,520

now we can move on

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00:49:10,790 --> 00:49:09,040

i was just going to say sue did a great

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00:49:12,630 --> 00:49:10,800

study for a venus sample return mission

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00:49:15,670 --> 00:49:12,640

so i think she could actually

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00:49:17,589 --> 00:49:15,680

tell us how we might do that

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00:49:20,790 --> 00:49:17,599

well uh there are a number of sample

1257

00:49:23,270 --> 00:49:20,800

return mission studies uh in work and so

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00:49:24,950 --> 00:49:23,280

uh it's super challenging you know we're

1259

00:49:28,150 --> 00:49:24,960

looking at trying to do that for mars

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00:49:30,549 --> 00:49:28,160

right now and um perhaps the the biggest

1261

00:49:33,430 --> 00:49:30,559

challenge is getting that surface uh

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00:49:34,870 --> 00:49:33,440

that sample that that sample to um

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00:49:37,349 --> 00:49:34,880

bacteria is getting it off of the

1264

00:49:39,990 --> 00:49:37,359

surface of venus so there are a lot of

1265

00:49:41,990 --> 00:49:40,000

studies underway to uh begin to address

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00:49:44,309 --> 00:49:42,000

that question and i'm sure we're gonna

1267

00:49:46,069 --> 00:49:44,319

learn a lot in the coming decades from

1268

00:49:48,549 --> 00:49:46,079

the process of returning samples from

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00:49:52,549 --> 00:49:48,559

mars so it's it's in the pipeline in

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00:49:55,190 --> 00:49:52,559

terms of developing the approach

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00:49:58,309 --> 00:49:55,200

all right that's exciting thank you

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00:50:00,790 --> 00:49:58,319

matthew taylor on youtube asks how do

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00:50:03,270 --> 00:50:00,800

you think the planetary science gleaned

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00:50:09,030 --> 00:50:03,280

from these missions could benefit human

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00:50:12,470 --> 00:50:10,870

i'll go to dr garvin first and dr

1276  
00:50:13,990 --> 00:50:12,480  
smacker please join in if you have other

1277  
00:50:15,990 --> 00:50:14,000  
thoughts

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00:50:18,470 --> 00:50:16,000  
well as we explore we learn how to

1279  
00:50:20,710 --> 00:50:18,480  
extend the limits of our performance so

1280  
00:50:22,230 --> 00:50:20,720  
at venus we have challenges as we go

1281  
00:50:24,390 --> 00:50:22,240  
into the atmosphere and those

1282  
00:50:26,470 --> 00:50:24,400  
technologies can produce new thermal

1283  
00:50:27,990 --> 00:50:26,480  
regulation systems like the heat shields

1284  
00:50:29,990 --> 00:50:28,000  
that got the apollo astronauts back from

1285  
00:50:31,750 --> 00:50:30,000  
the moon developed that were then used

1286  
00:50:33,670 --> 00:50:31,760  
by the viking project to get into the

1287  
00:50:34,710 --> 00:50:33,680  
atmosphere of mars to land to exquisite

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00:50:37,109 --> 00:50:34,720

landers

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00:50:38,870 --> 00:50:37,119

that feed forward is is typical of our

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00:50:41,190 --> 00:50:38,880

missions and we want to get the women

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00:50:43,270 --> 00:50:41,200

and robots and and next generation to

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00:50:44,790 --> 00:50:43,280

the moon and of course to mars so what

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00:50:46,790 --> 00:50:44,800

we do in all of our planetary

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00:50:48,630 --> 00:50:46,800

exploration is build the piece parts and

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00:50:50,790 --> 00:50:48,640

we build them together in a mosaic of

1296

00:50:53,510 --> 00:50:50,800

future capabilities that we can then use

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00:50:55,589 --> 00:50:53,520

and some of them extend to i.t solutions

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00:50:56,710 --> 00:50:55,599

so we need to be able to process data

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00:50:58,710 --> 00:50:56,720

especially

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00:51:00,390 --> 00:50:58,720

seeing things in new ways with camera

1301  
00:51:02,069 --> 00:51:00,400  
systems and and systems that measure

1302  
00:51:03,750 --> 00:51:02,079  
chemistry the environmental health of

1303  
00:51:05,589 --> 00:51:03,760  
people will depend on some of the kind

1304  
00:51:07,430 --> 00:51:05,599  
of instruments that will be flying into

1305  
00:51:09,349 --> 00:51:07,440  
the atmosphere of venus for example we

1306  
00:51:11,109 --> 00:51:09,359  
need that to keep the crews alive as

1307  
00:51:12,870 --> 00:51:11,119  
they live on the moon and do their work

1308  
00:51:14,950 --> 00:51:12,880  
through the artemis program in the

1309  
00:51:16,870 --> 00:51:14,960  
artemis base camp so there's always a

1310  
00:51:19,829 --> 00:51:16,880  
feed forward and we and nasa i think do

1311  
00:51:22,069 --> 00:51:19,839  
a good job about capitalizing on that so

1312  
00:51:24,710 --> 00:51:22,079  
that's my one cent i'm sure sue will

1313  
00:51:26,630 --> 00:51:24,720

have better ones

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00:51:29,109 --> 00:51:26,640

no i think he said it well uh really

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00:51:31,589 --> 00:51:29,119

every technology that we develop and

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00:51:34,069 --> 00:51:31,599

every uh mission that we build and send

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00:51:34,790 --> 00:51:34,079

out into outer space uh you know helps

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00:51:37,109 --> 00:51:34,800

us

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00:51:39,910 --> 00:51:37,119

learn lessons of uh taking the next

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00:51:42,390 --> 00:51:39,920

steps so i think i have nothing further

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00:51:45,829 --> 00:51:44,150

great well we're talking about the moon

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00:51:49,670 --> 00:51:45,839

and bars let's bring it back down to

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00:51:51,990 --> 00:51:49,680

earth at anthony c on twitter asks what

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00:51:53,109 --> 00:51:52,000

sort of context will these two new

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00:51:56,069 --> 00:51:53,119

missions

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00:51:58,230 --> 00:51:56,079

provide for climate data collected

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00:52:00,390 --> 00:51:58,240

by the upcoming nasa earth system

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00:52:01,990 --> 00:52:00,400

observatory missions

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00:52:03,670 --> 00:52:02,000

we can tweak that to at least how does

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00:52:05,349 --> 00:52:03,680

it help us understand climate if you

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00:52:08,069 --> 00:52:05,359

don't know about the eso mission

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00:52:12,630 --> 00:52:10,230

well i can take a quick stab so the esl

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00:52:14,950 --> 00:52:12,640

mission starting with nysar and other

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00:52:16,069 --> 00:52:14,960

missions like clario and pace and and on

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00:52:17,589 --> 00:52:16,079

out

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00:52:19,430 --> 00:52:17,599

build on the climate history of our own

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00:52:21,510 --> 00:52:19,440

planet where we have an exquisite

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00:52:22,710 --> 00:52:21,520

capability of modeling and predicting

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00:52:24,549 --> 00:52:22,720

and it's just

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00:52:26,870 --> 00:52:24,559

it's taking off it's so exciting and we

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00:52:28,790 --> 00:52:26,880

apply that to worlds like venus and try

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00:52:30,630 --> 00:52:28,800

to back cast and so by making the kind

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00:52:32,870 --> 00:52:30,640

of measurements that both davinci plus

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00:52:34,790 --> 00:52:32,880

and veritas will be making it venus we

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00:52:36,710 --> 00:52:34,800

build the boundary conditions to cast

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00:52:38,230 --> 00:52:36,720

those models for venus today those

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00:52:39,829 --> 00:52:38,240

models are limited we don't have

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00:52:41,510 --> 00:52:39,839

adequate data we don't even know the

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00:52:42,950 --> 00:52:41,520

temperature lapse rate from below the

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00:52:45,190 --> 00:52:42,960

clouds to the surface well enough to

1351  
00:52:47,349 --> 00:52:45,200  
constrain some models how does it change

1352  
00:52:49,430 --> 00:52:47,359  
well we need that for earth of course

1353  
00:52:50,390 --> 00:52:49,440  
and we need the history of water we need

1354  
00:52:52,630 --> 00:52:50,400  
all these features we need the

1355  
00:52:54,549 --> 00:52:52,640  
topography of venus as a primary

1356  
00:52:56,950 --> 00:52:54,559  
boundary condition we need to know why

1357  
00:52:59,030 --> 00:52:56,960  
it's very slow rotation will affect

1358  
00:53:02,150 --> 00:52:59,040  
those kind of climate models so we will

1359  
00:53:04,150 --> 00:53:02,160  
learn from these missions and apply them

1360  
00:53:05,510 --> 00:53:04,160  
the lessons we learned for venus apply

1361  
00:53:07,589 --> 00:53:05,520  
them to earth the same way we learned

1362  
00:53:09,589 --> 00:53:07,599  
from mars and it's very interesting

1363  
00:53:11,270 --> 00:53:09,599

topsy-turvy climate history has also

1364

00:53:12,870 --> 00:53:11,280

shed light on the history of climate on

1365

00:53:15,190 --> 00:53:12,880

earth so there are always these

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00:53:19,109 --> 00:53:15,200

connections as we go somewhere and apply

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00:53:19,119 --> 00:53:23,109

yeah you know there are there's so many

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00:53:26,630 --> 00:53:24,309

yeah if i could just add i mean there's

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00:53:27,829 --> 00:53:26,640

so many parallels between venus and

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00:53:29,109 --> 00:53:27,839

earth

1371

00:53:32,470 --> 00:53:29,119

you know the

1372

00:53:35,190 --> 00:53:32,480

people who discovered the ozone hole

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00:53:37,030 --> 00:53:35,200

on the earth that has a major effect on

1374

00:53:38,549 --> 00:53:37,040

earth's climate were actually people who

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00:53:40,150 --> 00:53:38,559

were studying uh the chemistry of

1376

00:53:43,190 --> 00:53:40,160

venus's atmosphere and they decided to

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00:53:44,790 --> 00:53:43,200

go and look for ozone and as a process

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00:53:47,910 --> 00:53:44,800

and in that process discovered this

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00:53:50,390 --> 00:53:47,920

ozone hole and similarly people who have

1380

00:53:53,030 --> 00:53:50,400

proposed using sulfur to try to help

1381

00:53:55,270 --> 00:53:53,040

slow down uh climate change in the earth

1382

00:53:56,870 --> 00:53:55,280

uh you know people studying the climate

1383

00:53:58,710 --> 00:53:56,880

on venus said you know look that's

1384

00:54:01,030 --> 00:53:58,720

really not going to work because we see

1385

00:54:02,549 --> 00:54:01,040

on venus the breakdown of sulfur at the

1386

00:54:04,150 --> 00:54:02,559

top of the atmosphere

1387

00:54:06,230 --> 00:54:04,160

so you know there are parallels to the

1388

00:54:08,470 --> 00:54:06,240

present-day climate but they're also

1389

00:54:10,549 --> 00:54:08,480

parallels to the long-term climate i

1390

00:54:12,069 --> 00:54:10,559

mean you know we think that venus in

1391

00:54:15,510 --> 00:54:12,079

earth has similar amounts of carbon

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00:54:17,190 --> 00:54:15,520

dioxide uh altogether but on venus

1393

00:54:19,030 --> 00:54:17,200

that carbon dioxide is in the atmosphere

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00:54:20,950 --> 00:54:19,040

making it this incredible

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00:54:22,950 --> 00:54:20,960

you know runaway greenhouse that makes

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00:54:25,430 --> 00:54:22,960

it uh 900 degrees

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00:54:27,670 --> 00:54:25,440

at the surface whereas on earth those

1398

00:54:30,150 --> 00:54:27,680

that same carbon dioxide is locked up in

1399

00:54:33,109 --> 00:54:30,160

the rock record and by studying like

1400

00:54:34,790 --> 00:54:33,119

processes of subduction where where the

1401

00:54:36,069 --> 00:54:34,800

crust goes from the surface back into

1402

00:54:39,030 --> 00:54:36,079

the mantle that's effectively

1403

00:54:40,069 --> 00:54:39,040

sequestering carbon dioxide right and so

1404

00:54:42,230 --> 00:54:40,079

we're going to learn how that process

1405

00:54:43,829 --> 00:54:42,240

may have started on the earth so you

1406

00:54:45,589 --> 00:54:43,839

know we could talk for a long time but

1407

00:54:48,390 --> 00:54:45,599

there are just so many parallels between

1408

00:54:50,470 --> 00:54:48,400

venus and earth and it's all essential

1409

00:54:51,990 --> 00:54:50,480

to really understanding both the present

1410

00:54:54,870 --> 00:54:52,000

day and long-term evolution of the

1411

00:54:59,589 --> 00:54:57,589

all right we are finishing up here with

1412

00:55:00,670 --> 00:54:59,599

some of our last questions

1413

00:55:03,750 --> 00:55:00,680

uh

1414

00:55:06,230 --> 00:55:03,760

davidjohnsonvg on twitter asks when did

1415

00:55:08,630 --> 00:55:06,240

you first find your own interest in

1416

00:55:12,470 --> 00:55:08,640

solar system exploration let's do dr

1417

00:55:17,030 --> 00:55:14,789

uh well you know i was certainly a kid

1418

00:55:20,309 --> 00:55:17,040

when apollo astronauts were landing on

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00:55:22,309 --> 00:55:20,319

the moon and of course that was very

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00:55:23,589 --> 00:55:22,319

mind-blowing and inspiring

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00:55:27,190 --> 00:55:23,599

um

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00:55:30,069 --> 00:55:27,200

but i think i did not completely imagine

1423

00:55:32,230 --> 00:55:30,079

planetary geology geophysics as a career

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00:55:35,190 --> 00:55:32,240

until i got to college and it was really

1425

00:55:37,030 --> 00:55:35,200

there that i learned i could study how

1426  
00:55:39,510 --> 00:55:37,040  
processes work in other planets and i

1427  
00:55:41,910 --> 00:55:39,520  
was completely hooked it was just a

1428  
00:55:43,349 --> 00:55:41,920  
fascinating idea of being able to do

1429  
00:55:45,349 --> 00:55:43,359  
that and so

1430  
00:55:48,230 --> 00:55:45,359  
that led me to uh doing things like

1431  
00:55:55,270 --> 00:55:48,240  
studying volcanoes on hawaii as a means

1432  
00:56:00,069 --> 00:55:58,230  
well karen i i like sue i i my mother

1433  
00:56:01,910 --> 00:56:00,079  
said i was hooked at birth but i don't

1434  
00:56:04,549 --> 00:56:01,920  
know what that means so we can all

1435  
00:56:05,829 --> 00:56:04,559  
reflect on that um and so but i was

1436  
00:56:07,589 --> 00:56:05,839  
looking over the moon as a little kid

1437  
00:56:09,190 --> 00:56:07,599  
and saying why aren't we there and my

1438  
00:56:11,109 --> 00:56:09,200

parents said well it's a long trip and

1439

00:56:13,430 --> 00:56:11,119

you know gas prices not going to work

1440

00:56:16,150 --> 00:56:13,440

but um like sue i was enthralled by

1441

00:56:18,789 --> 00:56:16,160

apollo and saw the apollo 11 landings as

1442

00:56:20,470 --> 00:56:18,799

a young kid and couldn't believe it i

1443

00:56:22,309 --> 00:56:20,480

was able to then transfer that through

1444

00:56:23,990 --> 00:56:22,319

my college experience in high school to

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00:56:26,390 --> 00:56:24,000

visit places that reminded me of these

1446

00:56:28,789 --> 00:56:26,400

here the impact says

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00:56:30,390 --> 00:56:28,799

in kazakhstan the most recent big impact

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00:56:32,789 --> 00:56:30,400

and searching for venus on earth has

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00:56:34,549 --> 00:56:32,799

always been one of my passions

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00:56:36,150 --> 00:56:34,559

two of my advisors in college in grad

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00:56:38,549 --> 00:56:36,160

school told me you better look at venus

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00:56:40,789 --> 00:56:38,559

jim even though i was funded by mars so

1453

00:56:42,710 --> 00:56:40,799

i basically reconstructed my whole

1454

00:56:44,390 --> 00:56:42,720

graduate school career to study venus

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00:56:46,069 --> 00:56:44,400

and was able to participate in the

1456

00:56:48,950 --> 00:56:46,079

soviet missions to venus like the vendor

1457

00:56:51,430 --> 00:56:48,960

13 lander here that lasted 127 minutes

1458

00:56:53,430 --> 00:56:51,440

this is its sister sitting in moscow

1459

00:56:55,430 --> 00:56:53,440

here we are thinking about venus 15

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00:56:58,069 --> 00:56:55,440

years ago when we started the the

1461

00:56:59,589 --> 00:56:58,079

sojourn to become a mission like davinci

1462

00:57:01,829 --> 00:56:59,599

plus we're very excited about actually

1463

00:57:02,789 --> 00:57:01,839

making it work and here the eye of venus

1464

00:57:04,230 --> 00:57:02,799

with me

1465

00:57:05,990 --> 00:57:04,240

looking through the sapphire window that

1466

00:57:08,390 --> 00:57:06,000

we we now look forward to flying to

1467

00:57:09,910 --> 00:57:08,400

venus so i was always dazzled and i

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00:57:12,470 --> 00:57:09,920

don't think i can ever let go i can't

1469

00:57:14,549 --> 00:57:12,480

actually stop working on it so my

1470

00:57:16,470 --> 00:57:14,559

family often tell me that so it's a

1471

00:57:19,030 --> 00:57:16,480

science doesn't sleep i can attest to

1472

00:57:22,710 --> 00:57:20,789

thank you so much that is all the time

1473

00:57:26,789 --> 00:57:22,720

we have for today and i really want to

1474

00:57:31,589 --> 00:57:26,799

thank you both for joining us

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00:57:37,109 --> 00:57:33,990

and uh if you want more information on

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00:57:40,870 --> 00:57:37,119

veritas or da vinci you can visit

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00:57:46,950 --> 00:57:44,549

new venus missions

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00:57:49,430 --> 00:57:46,960

and you can also follow us on at nasa

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00:57:50,630 --> 00:57:49,440

solar system on facebook twitter and

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00:58:14,540 --> 00:57:50,640

instagram