

# KISS: Tidal Heating Workshop

Future missions to tidally heated worlds

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# Tidally Heated Worlds

- Jupiter System
  - Io
  - Europa
  - Ganymede
- Saturn system
  - Titan
  - Enceladus
  - Others likely or possible
- Neptune
  - Possibly Triton
- Uranus
  - Possibly Ariel
- Exoplanets and ExoMoons



From top to bottom, Moons (to scale) of Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune.



# Missions on the horizon

To Tidally Heated Worlds



Tidally heated worlds		Mission concepts	Status
Europa		<b>Europa Clipper</b> <b>Europa Lander</b>	NASA project, arrival 2025-2030 Pre-phase A study
Ganymede		<b>JUICE</b>	ESA project, arrival 2030
Io		Io Volcanic Observer Io Observer	Discovery Proposal New Frontiers 5 candidate
Titan		<b>Dragonfly</b> Titan Orbiter/TMME/Titan Explorer TiME	Finalist New Frontiers 4 Study concepts Finalist Discovery 12
Enceladus		ELF Life Elsah	Proposed Discovery and NF4 Proposed Discovery 14 Proposed NF4, <b>Tech Dev Efun</b>
Neptune and Uranus		Ice Giant missions	2017 NASA study
Exoplanets		<b>TESS, JWST, WFIRST, PLATO</b>	NASA, ESA missions

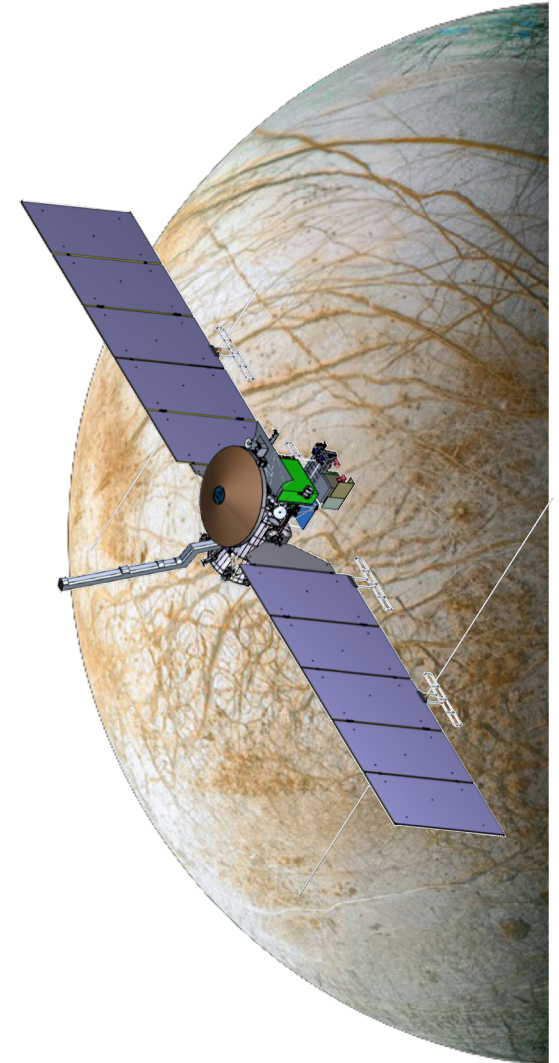
**Bold items are currently funded projects**

# Europa Clipper

- Europa mission concepts have been studied by NASA for nearly two decades
- The 2011 NRC Decadal Survey stated that the \$4.7B Jupiter Europa Orbiter mission concept had *extremely high science value* but was *unaffordable*, and requested a de-scoped option
- Subsequent studies by a joint JPL-APL team resulted in a multiple-flyby concept (referred to as Europa Clipper) that retains high science value at significantly reduced cost
- In June 2015 NASA selected the Europa multiple-flyby mission as its next outer planet flagship mission. PDR held in August 2018.
  - Use flyby concept to buildup global regional coverage
  - Solar powered spacecraft

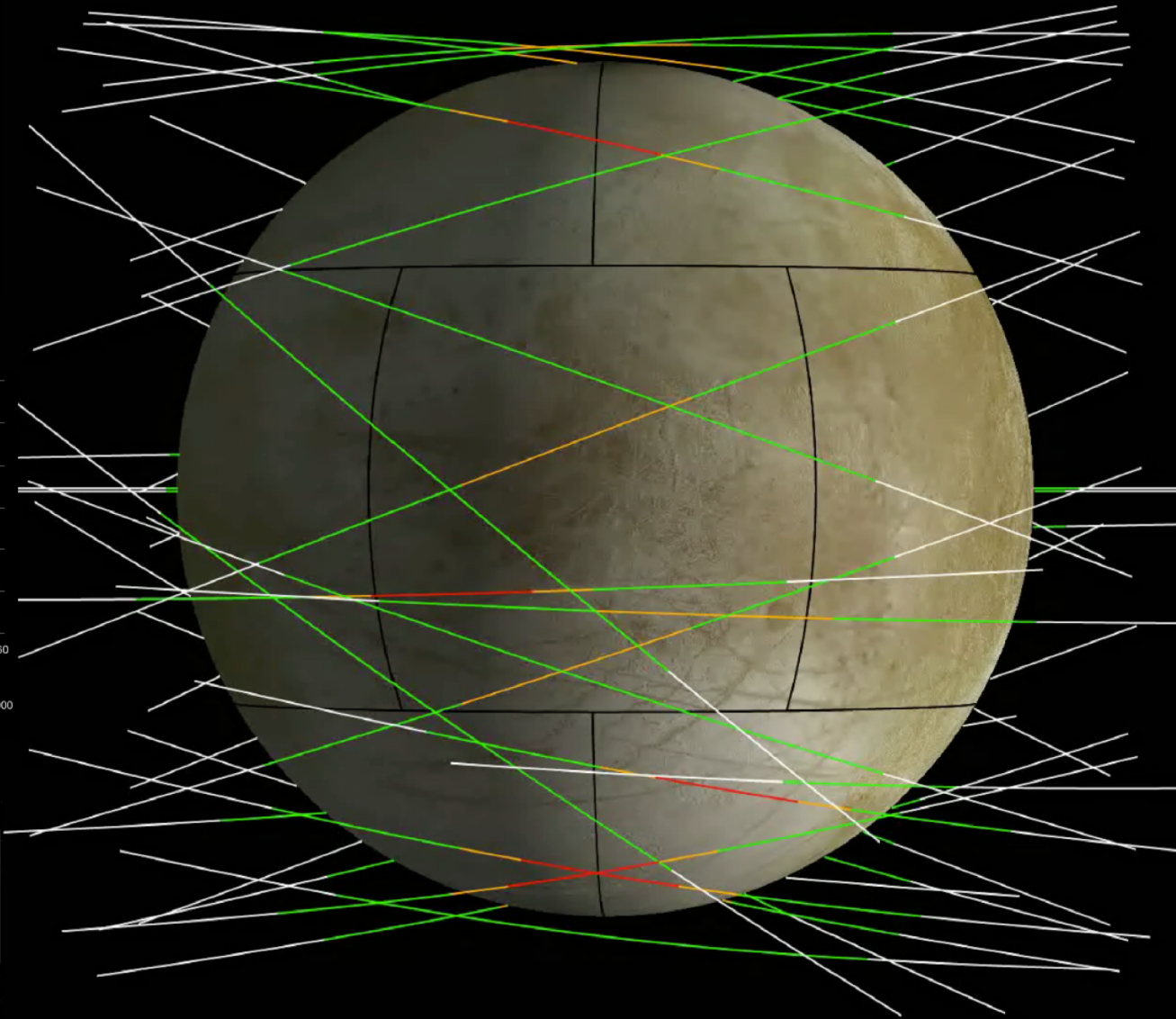
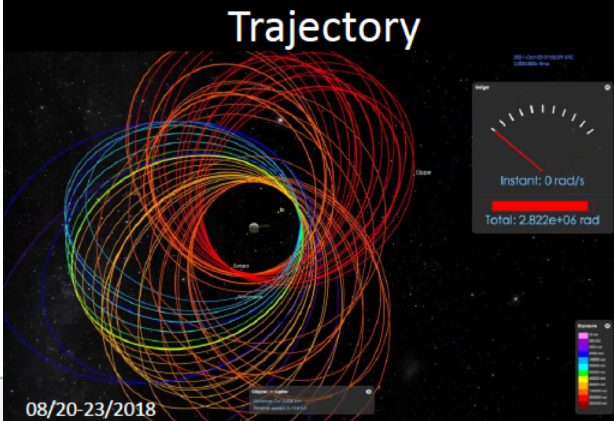
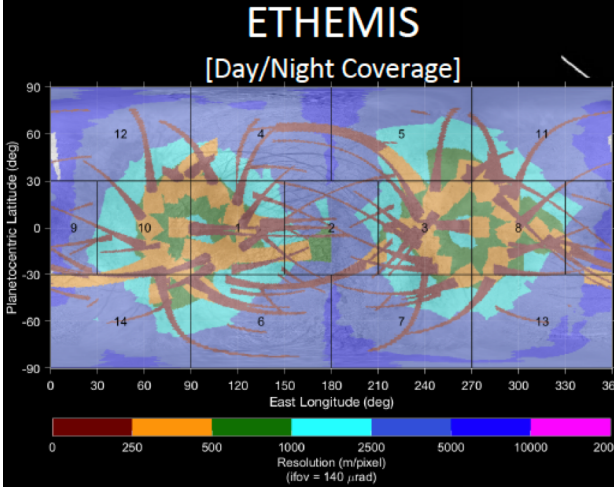
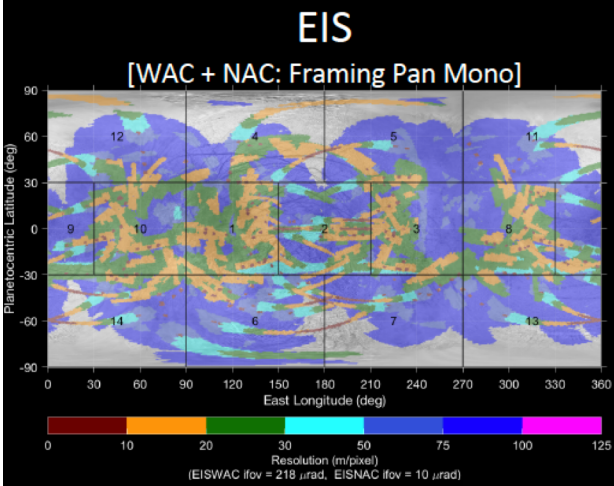
***“Because of this ocean’s potential suitability for life, Europa is one of the most important targets in all of planetary science.”***

**–2011 Planetary Decadal Survey**

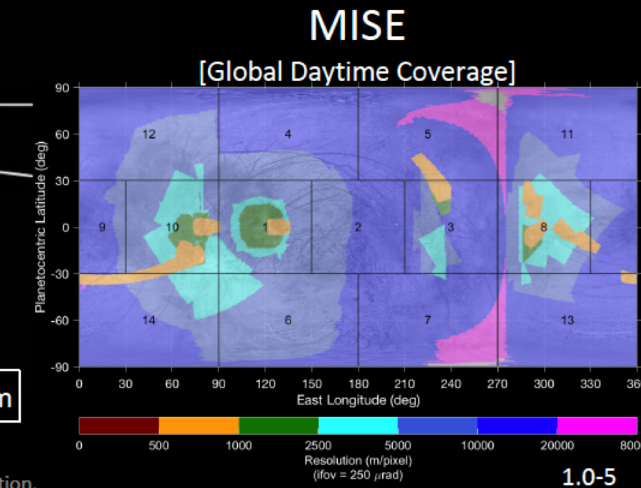
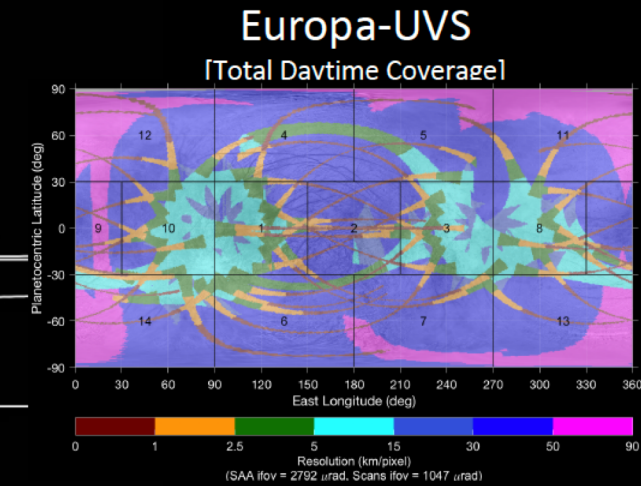
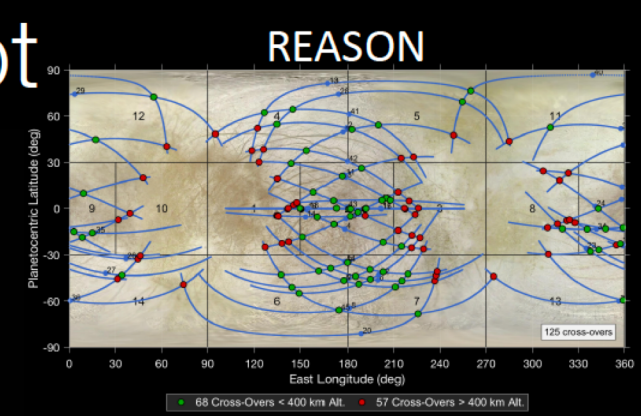




# Europa Clipper Mission Concept



— 25 km ≤  $r_{alt}$  ≤ 50 km — 50 km <  $r_{alt}$  ≤ 100 km — 100 km <  $r_{alt}$  ≤ 400 km — 400 km <  $r_{alt}$  ≤ 1000 km





# NASA-Selected Europa Clipper Instruments

**Europa-UVS**  
*UV Spectrograph*  
surface & plume/atmosphere composition

**MASPEX**  
*Mass Spectrometer*  
sniffing atmospheric composition

**SUDA**  
*Dust Analyzer*  
surface & plume composition

**ICEMAG**  
*Magnetometer*  
sensing ocean properties

**PIMS**  
*Faraday Cups*  
plasma environment

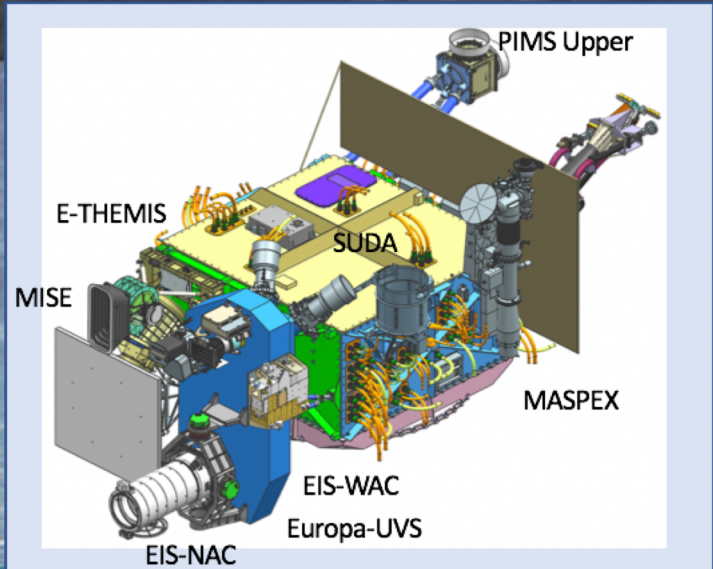
**EIS**  
*Narrow-Angle Camera + Wide-Angle Camera*  
mapping alien landscape in 3D & color

**E-THEMIS**  
*Thermal Imager*  
searching for hot spots

**MISE**  
*IR Spectrometer*  
surface chemical fingerprints

**Gravity Science**  
*X-band telecom*  
ice depth, ocean properties

**REASON**  
*Ice-Penetrating Radar*  
plumbing the ice shell



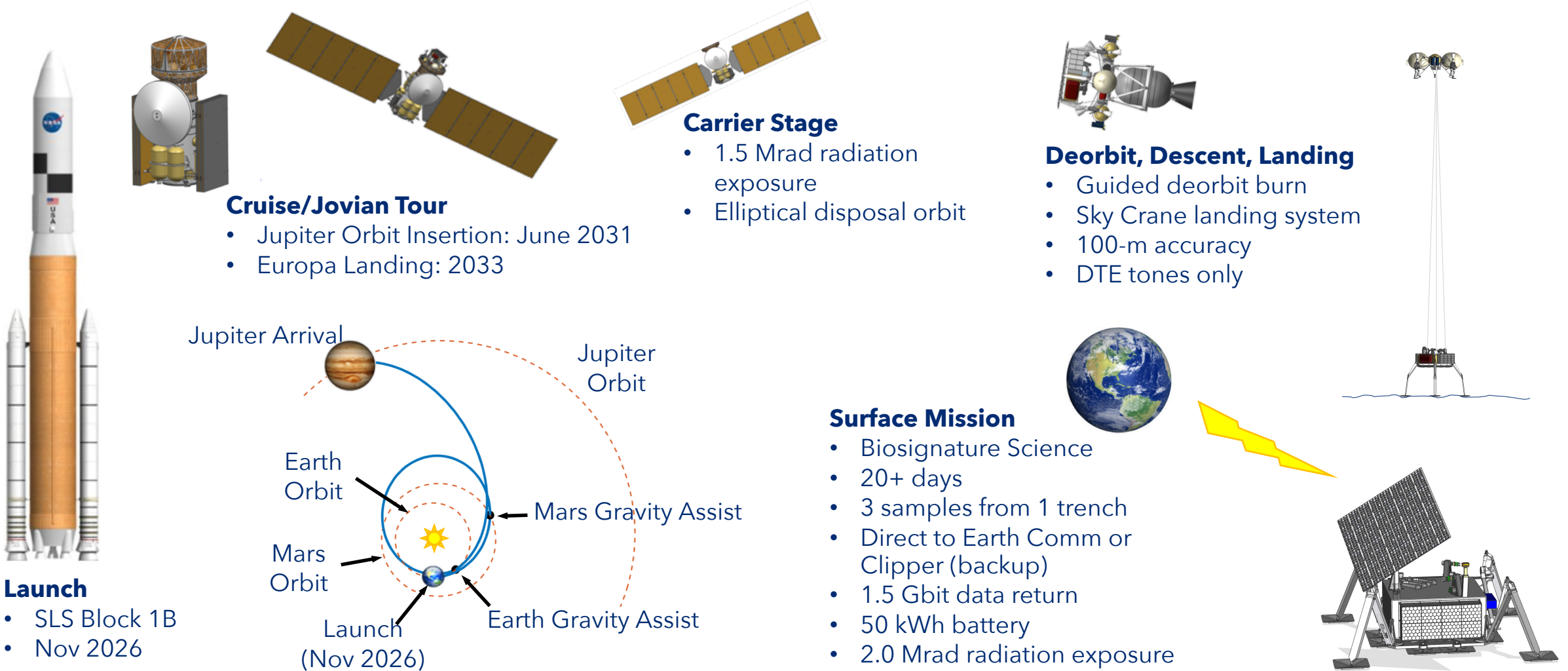
View of Clipper instrument deck/vault

● Remote Sensing      ● In Situ



# Europa Lander Mission Concept

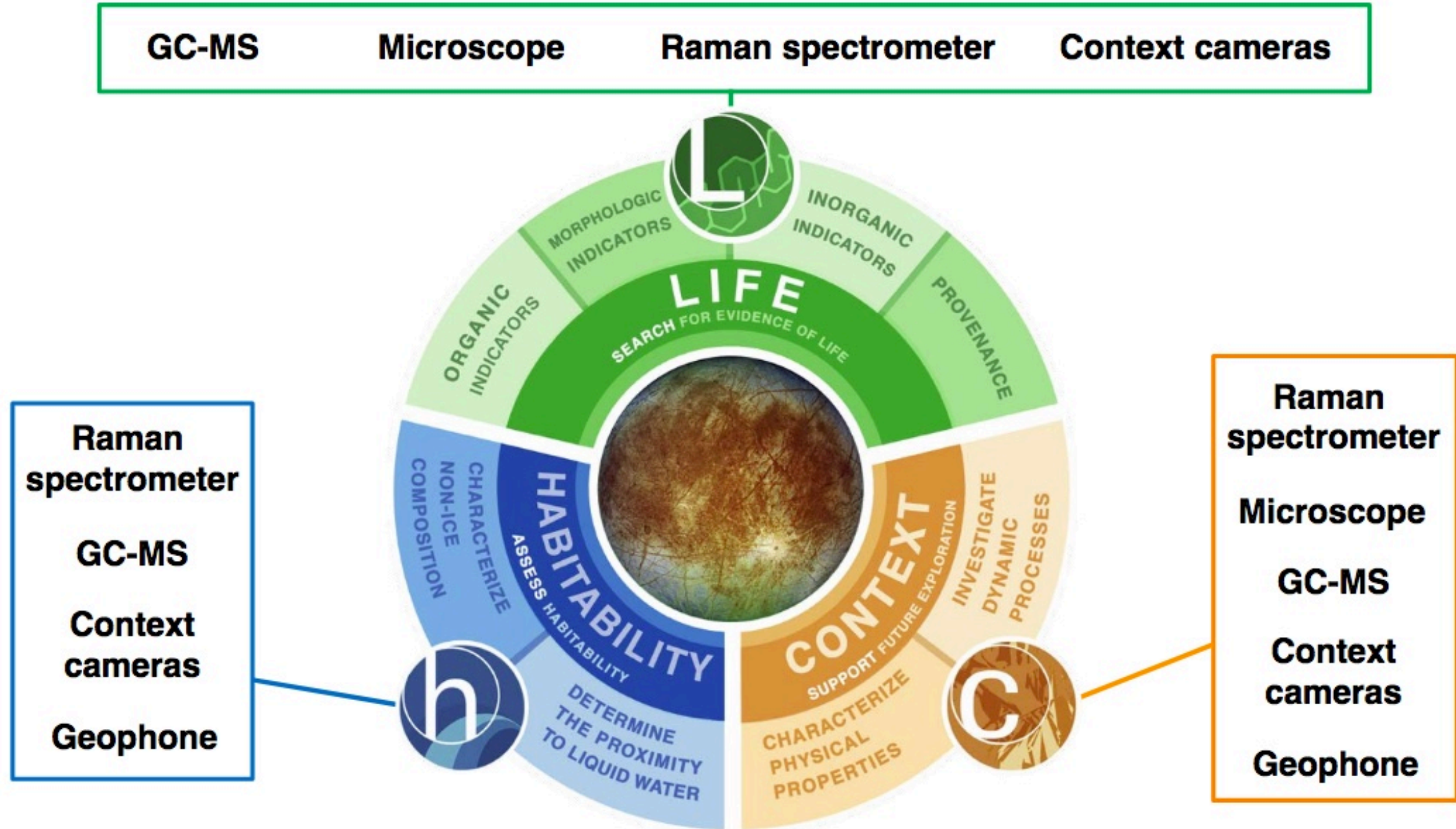
Source: Lander DMCR 2018



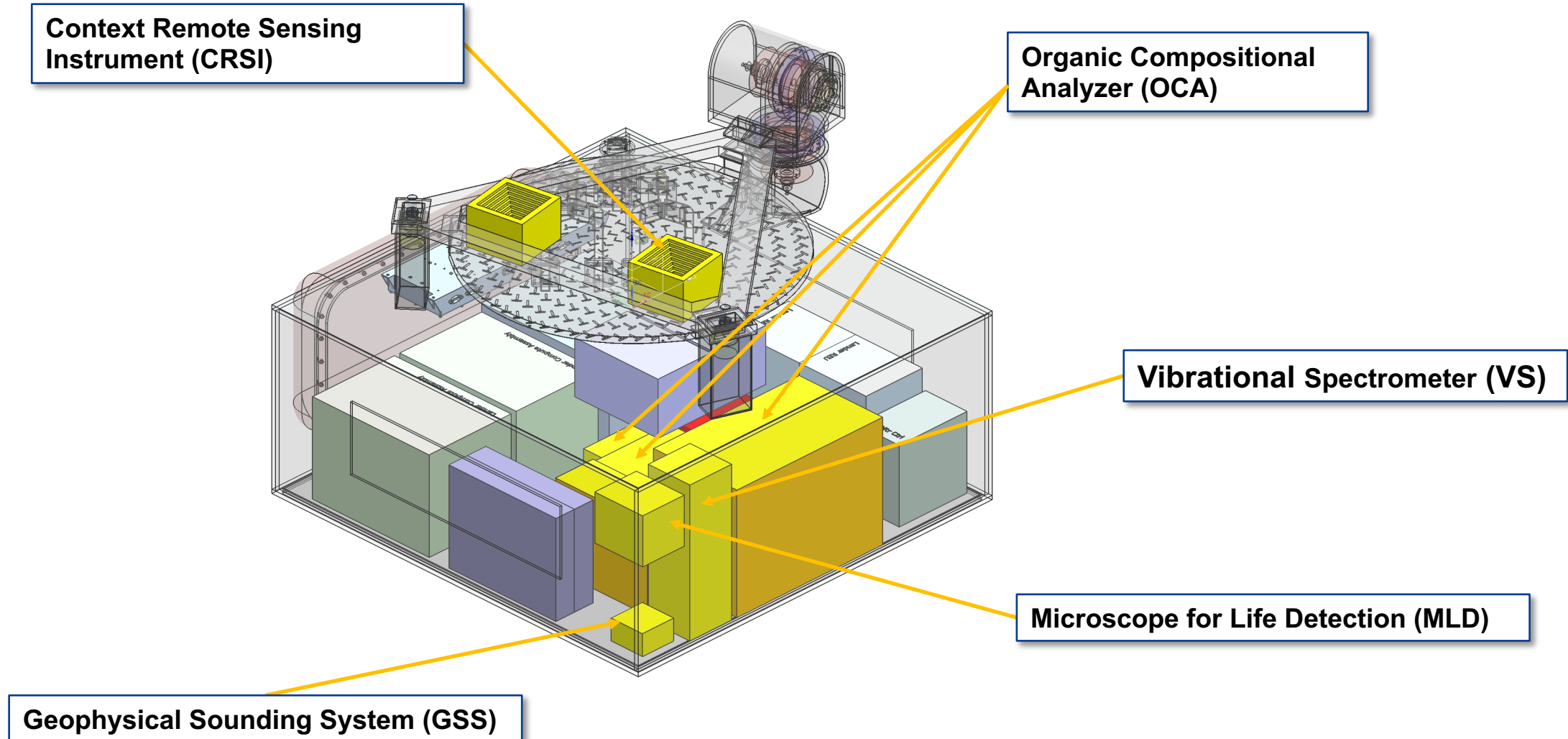
Leverage past flight experience and high-TRL tech development to reduce mission risk

Pre-Decisional Information — For Planning and Discussion Purposes Only

# Europa Lander Science Experiments



# Science Definition Team (SDT) Sample Payload Accommodation



# Juice: Jupiter Icy Moons Explorer

Source: Wikipedia

- ESA mission to Jupiter system
  - Launch in 2022
  - Jupiter orbit insertion 2030
  - 3.5 years in Jovian system
  - Ganymede orbit insertion 2033
- Solar powered spacecraft
  - ~100 m<sup>2</sup> solar arrays with 820W EOM
- Science Objectives
  - Ganymede
    - Characterization of the ocean layers and detection of putative subsurface water reservoirs;
    - Topographical, geological and compositional mapping of the surface;
    - Study of the physical properties of the icy crust;
    - Characterization of the internal mass distribution, dynamics and evolution of the interior;
    - Investigation of Ganymede's tenuous atmosphere;
    - Study of Ganymede's intrinsic magnetic field and its interactions with the Jovian magnetosphere
  - Two Europa flybys
  - Io distant monitoring





# Europa Clipper – Juice instrument comparison 1 of 2

Europa Clipper		JUICE										
Plasma Investigation	PIMS: Key Instrument Parameters		Key Instrument Parameters									
			PEP-JEI		PEP-JoEE		PEP-JDC		PEP-JENI		PEP-JNA	
	Ion Energy Range	0.1 – 50 eV/q, 0.02 – 7 keV/q	Ion Energy Range		Ion Energy Range		Ion Energy Range	1 eV – 41 keV	Ion Energy Range	500 eV – 5 MeV	Ion Energy Range	
	Electron Energy range	0.1 – 50 eV, 0.01 – 2 keV	Electron Energy Range	1 eV - 55 keV	Electron Energy Range	25 keV – 1 MeV	Electron Energy Range		Electron Energy Range		Electron Energy Range	
	Energy Resolution	<15%	Neutral Energy Range		Neutral Energy Range		Neutral Energy Range		Neutral Energy Range	500 eV – 300 keV (ENA)	Neutral Energy Range	10 eV – 3.3 keV (ENA)
	Sensitivity	0.5 – 10 <sup>5</sup> pA/cm <sup>2</sup>	Energy Resolution	8%	Energy Resolution	20%	Energy Resolution	12%	Energy Resolution	<14%	Energy Resolution	100%
	Time Resolution	1 – 4 s	Time resolution	2D per 512 ms / 3D per 4.1 s	Time resolution	1 s	Time resolution	2D per 250 ms / 3D per 8 s	Time resolution	≤10 s (ions) ≤5 min (ENA)	Time resolution	15 s nominal

Magnetometer	ICEMAG: Key Instrument Parameters		J-MAG: Key Instrument Parameters	
	Vector magnetic field accuracy	< 0.8 nT	Absolute Accuracy	0.1 nT
	Range	± 1500 nT	Range	± 8000, ± 50000 (MAGOBS), ±16000(MAGIBS), 0-50000 (SCALAR)
	Precision	0.01 nT	Resolution	3 pT (scalar)/15pT(fluxgate, in ±8000nT range)
	Baseline stability	< 0.1 nT over > 3 yr	Baseline stability	0.2 nT (long term), 0.1 nT (short term)
	Spacecraft magnetic field knowledge	< 0.5 nT	Sampling rate	32-128 vectors/sec
	Sampling rate	16 samples / sec		

Radio and Plasma Waves	RPWI: Key Instrument Parameters	
	Electrons and ions	Number densities: 10-4 to 105/cm3 (with 20% accuracy) Electron temperature: 0.01 to 100 eV (with 20% accuracy) Bulk ion drift speed: 0.1 to 200 km/s (with 20% accuracy) Ion temperature: 0.02 to 20 eV
	Plasma waves	Electric field variations: up to 1.6 MHz Magnetic field variations: 0.1 Hz-20 kHz. Spectral sensitivity (t>500Hz): 2 uV/m/sqrt(Hz) Angular and phase accuracy: 3 deg Amplitude accuracy: 3 dB
	Radio waves	Frequencies: up to 45 MHz Accuracy of polarization: 10% Absolute flux calibration accuracy: 3dB Accuracy on direction of arrival: 1 degrees
	DC electric fields	Electric field: DC <1 Hz range Amplitude accuracy: 0.1 mV/m
	Spacecraft potential	±100 V (with 10% accuracy)

Overview Comparison		
Type	Europa Clipper Instrument	JUICE Instrument
UV Spectrograph	Europa UVS	UVS
Camera System	EIS	JANUS
NIR Spectrometer	MISE	MAJIS
Ice Penetrating Radar	REASON	RIME
Magnetometer	ICEMAG	J-MAG
Plasma Instrument	PIMS	PEP
Radio Emission		RPWI
Thermal Emission	E-THEMIS	
Mass Spectrometer	MASPEX	
Dust Analyzer	SUDA	
Radio Science	Gravity	3GM
Radio Science		PRIDE
Sub Millimeter Wave		SWI
Laser Altimeter		GALA

# Europa Clipper – Juice instrument comparison 2 of 2

UV Spectrograph	<b>Europa Clipper</b>		<b>JUICE</b>	
	<b>Europa-UVS: Key Instrument Parameters</b>		<b>JUICE-UVS: Key Instrument Parameters</b>	
	Wavelength Range	55 – 210 nm	Wavelength Range	55 – 210 nm
	Field of View	0.1° x 7.3°	Field of View	0.1° x 7.3°
	Spatial Resolution	0.16" (low res); 0.06" (high res) Nyquist sampled	Spatial Resolution	up to 175 m/px at Ganymede and up to 234 km (typically 374 to 657 km) at Jupiter.
Ice-Penetrating Radar	Spectral Resolution	$\lambda/\Delta\lambda = 220$ ; <0.6 nm FWHM (point source)	Spectral Resolution	<0.6 nm FWHM (point source) and <1.2 nm (extended sources)
	Spectral Cube Size	2048 (spectral) x 512 (spatial)	Spectral Cube Size	2048 (spectral) x 512 (spatial)
	<b>Europa Clipper</b>		<b>JUICE</b>	
	<b>REASON: Key Instrument Parameters</b>		<b>RIME: Key Instrument Parameters</b>	
	Dual Frequencies	60 MHz ( $\lambda \approx 5$ m) Very High Frequency (VHF) globally, and 9 MHz ( $\lambda \approx 33.3$ m) High Frequency (HF) anti-Jovian	Central Frequency	9 MHz (1 and 3 MHz bandwidth)
Gravity / Occultations	Vertical Resolution	Shallow sounding: VHF with <30 m resolution from depths down to 3 km; Full-depth sounding: VHF (coarser) or HF with <300 m resolution and VHF (finer) with < 30 m resolution from 3 to 30 km depths; Altimetry: VHF with <15m resolution	Vertical Resolution	9 km depth with vertical resolution of up to 50-140 m in ice.
	Antenna	2 deployable HF and 4 VHF dipole antennas mounted on solar array	Antenna	1 deployable HF
	Radiated Power	10 - 30 W		
	<b>Gravity Science: Key Parameters</b>		<b>3GM: Key Parameters</b>	
	Wavelength	X band	Wavelength	Ka +X band
Mass Spectrometer	Farbeam & LGA FOV	$\pm 15^\circ$ by $\pm 50^\circ$ ; 0 to $80^\circ$ half angle	Resolution	0.01 mm s <sup>-1</sup> (60 s integration time)
	System Doppler Accuracy	0.07 mm s <sup>-1</sup> (60 s integration time)	Range accuracy	<20 cm
	Received Signal Strength	4 - 10 dB-Hz min @D/L		
	<b>MASPEX: Key Instrument Parameters</b>		<b>PEP-NIM: Key Instrument Parameters</b>	
	Mass Range	2 – 500 u	Mass range	1-1000 u
Radiation Monitor	Mass Resolution	$m/\Delta m \geq 16,988$	Mass resolution	$m/\Delta m > 1100$
	Min. Density	10 <sup>9</sup> /m <sup>3</sup>	Min. Density	10 <sup>9</sup> /m <sup>3</sup>
	Dynamic range	1.00E+11		
	<b>RADMON: Key Instrument Parameters</b>		<b>RADEM: Key Instrument Parameters</b>	
	Energy Range	0.3 MeV - 40 MeV (Monitor Stack) > ~1 MeV (Dosimeters)	Electron Energy range	0.3 to 40 MeV
Dust Analyzer	Total Dosimeters	12	Protons Energy range	5 MeV to 250 MeV
	Time Resolution	seconds (mode dependent)	Time resolution	1min (by default, can be reprogrammed)
	<b>SUDA: Key Instrument Parameters</b>			
	Mass Resolution	$m/\Delta m \leq 1$ u (FWHM) for $m \leq 200$ u		
	Dust Grain Properties	Impact Speed Range: 4-7 km/s ( $\Delta \leq 1\%$ ) Charge Sensitivity $\geq 0.25$ fC ( $\Delta \leq 10\%$ ) Grain Size Range: 0.1 – 2 $\mu$ m ( $\Delta \leq 25\%$ )		
Laser Altimetry	Surface Resolution	Better than spacecraft altitude		
	Detection Limits	40 ejecta per second		
	<b>GALA: Key Instrument Parameters</b>			
	Spot Size	50 m		
	Vertical Resolution	< 5m		
	Frequency	up to 50 Hz		

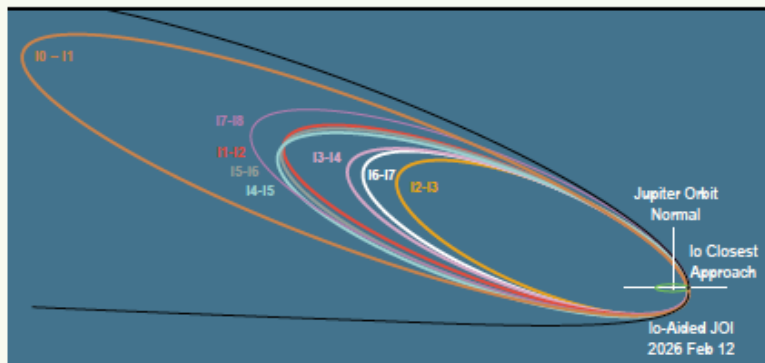
# Io Volcanic Observer

**Background:**  
Discovery 2014  
U Arizona/APL

- Io multiple flyby mission
- Suite of five instruments
- Solar powered spacecraft

## Mission Overview:

- Launch May 29, 2021
- $\Delta V$ -EGA (Earth gravity assist) trajectory, asteroid flyby opportunities
- Jupiter orbit insertion (JOI) in February 2026 with 500 km Io encounter (I0) and capture into orbit inclined  $42^\circ$  relative to Jupiter's equator
- Eight additional Io encounters over 22 months with high-resolution views of active volcanism in daylight and darkness
- Four of the encounters are designed for optimal measurement of induced magnetic signature from mantle melt
- Mission design minimizes total ionizing radiation dose (372 krad at 100 mil Al, design margin of 2), <10% of that experienced by *Galileo*
- Collect 20 Gb science data per encounter: 100 times the Io data from the 8-year *Galileo* tour; playback near apoapsis
- Encounters last ~1 week, including global monitoring and four Io eclipses
- Nearly polar approach to and departure from Io is ideal for study of polar regions, key to testing tidal heating models



Io Encounter Number	I0	I1	I2	I3	I4	I5	I6	I7	I8
Days since last encounter	0.0	180.4	81.4	49.5	61.9	81.4	81.4	58.4	92.0
Closest approach altitude (km)	510	500	500	500	500	500	500	400	200

*IVO's inclined orbit is optimal for key science objectives and results in a much lower Total Ionizing Dose than other Jupiter orbiters.*



Objectives (Gain Understanding of)	Key Measurements
A1. Io's active volcanism	High-resolution repeat imaging at UV to thermal-IR wavelengths.
A2. State of Io's interior & implications for tidal heating	Measure peak lava temperature for mantle temperature & electromagnetic induction signal from mantle melt. Map/monitor global heat flow.
B1. Nature of Io's lithosphere & unique tectonics	Image & measure topography of key tectonic structures.
B2. Connections between Io's volcanism & its surface & atmosphere	Measure mass spectra & temporal & spatial variability of neutral species, & map spectral variations of surface.
B3. Io's mass loss & magnetospheric interactions	Acquire in situ & remote observations of Io's exosphere, sodium cloud, & plasma torus.
B4. Limits to active volcanism on Europa	Distant repeat imaging to search for plumes or surface changes.
C1. Jupiter system science	Observe Jupiter, rings, moons, & magnetosphere.

# Dragonfly

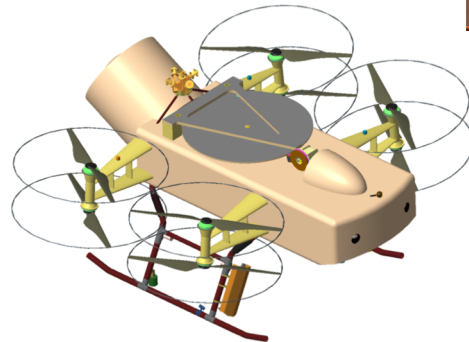
Source: JHUAPL website

## Background:

New Frontiers 2017 finalist

APL/Penn State/Langley/Ames/GSFC/JPL

- Launch in 2025
- Two years sampling surface of Titan
- Multiple flights provide access to diverse locations on surface
- Nuclear powered quadcopter rotorcraft
- Could be first seismometer experiment on an ocean world
- CRYOSADS sample system





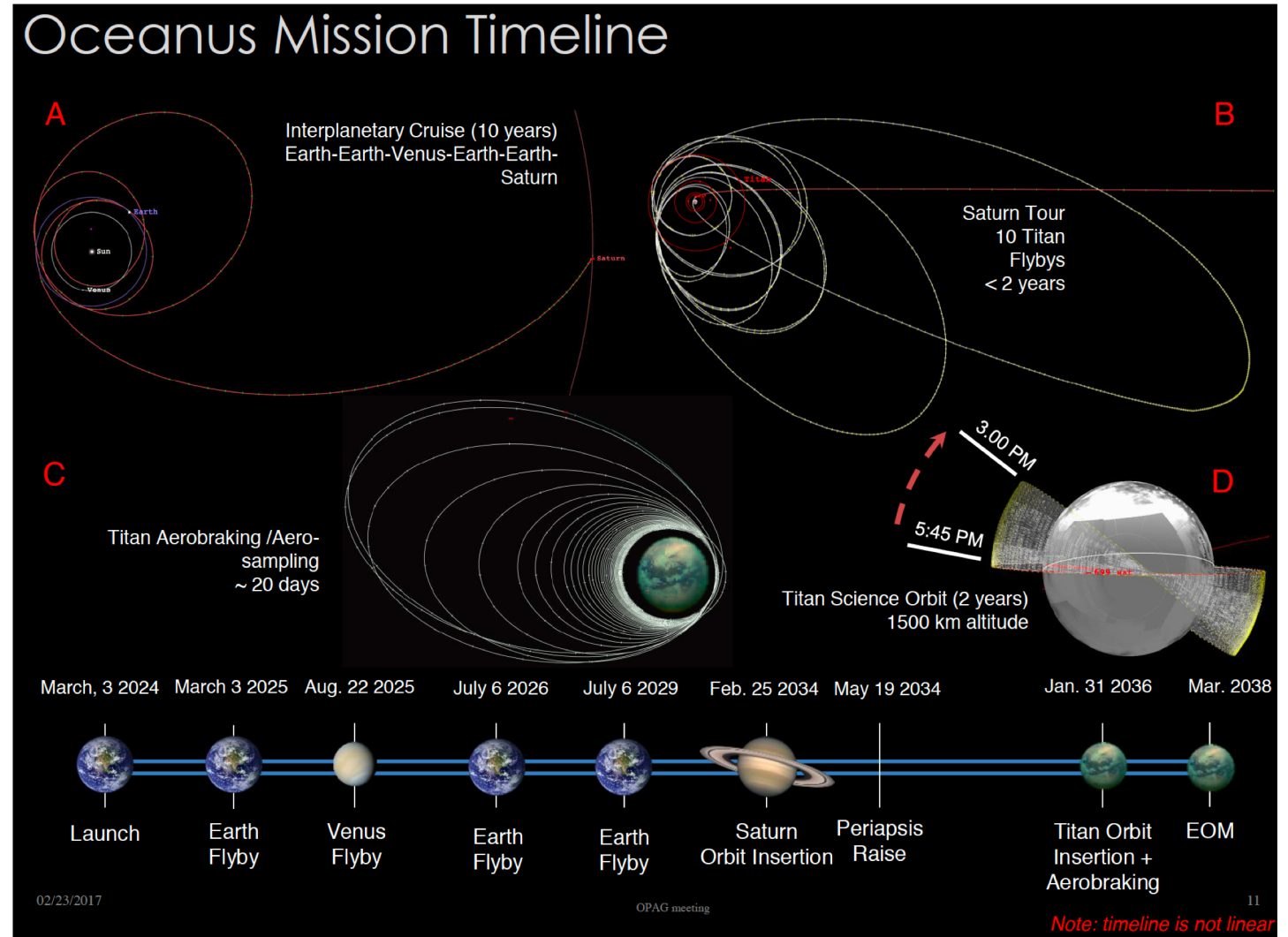
# Oceanus

## History:

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JPL/??

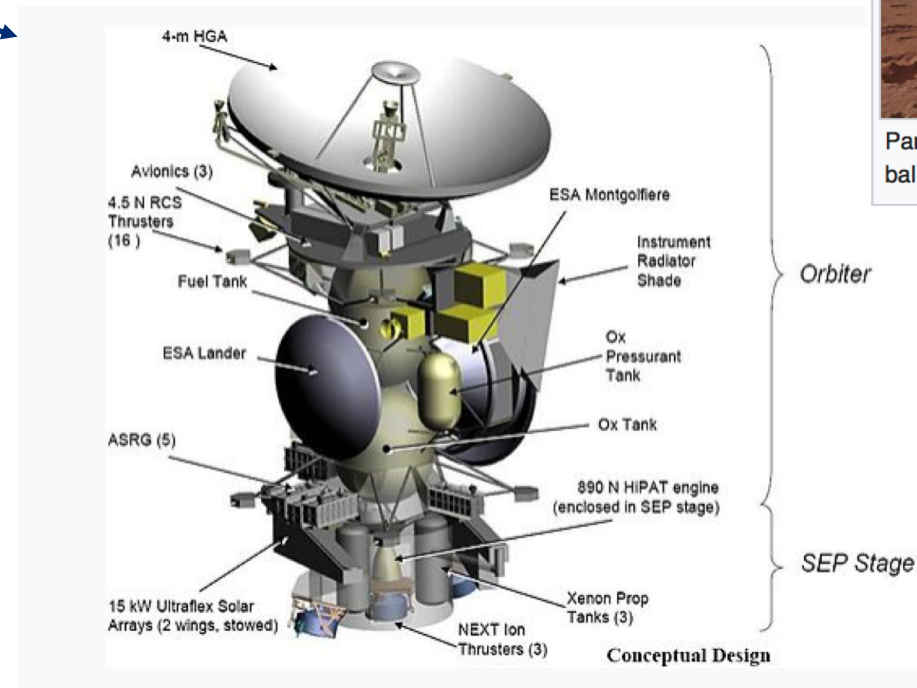
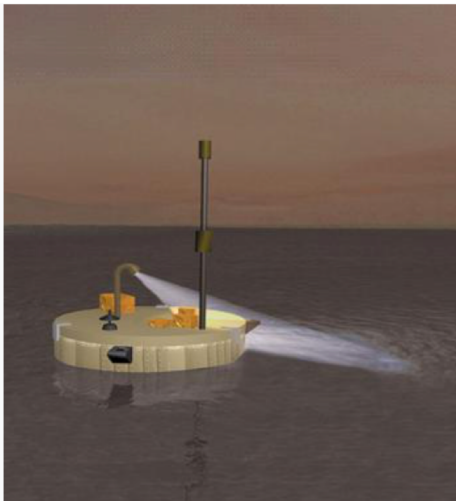
- Titan flyby and orbiter mission
- Imaging and radar of Titan surface from orbit; mass spectrometer
- Gravity science
- Solar powered spacecraft

Source: OPAG 2-2017: Sotin



# Titan Orbiter mission concepts

- Titan Explorer - 2007 NASA flagship mission study
  - Lander and Balloon
- TSSM –NASA-ESA study concept
  - Joint mission to combine Titan Explorer with ESA Enceladus mission
  - Orbiter, lander and balloon
- Titan Mare Explorer
  - Titan Lander proposed NASA mission





# Enceladus Life sample return mission

Source: OPAG 2-2015: Tsou

## History:

Discovery 2014  
JPL/Ball/JAXA

## Trajectory

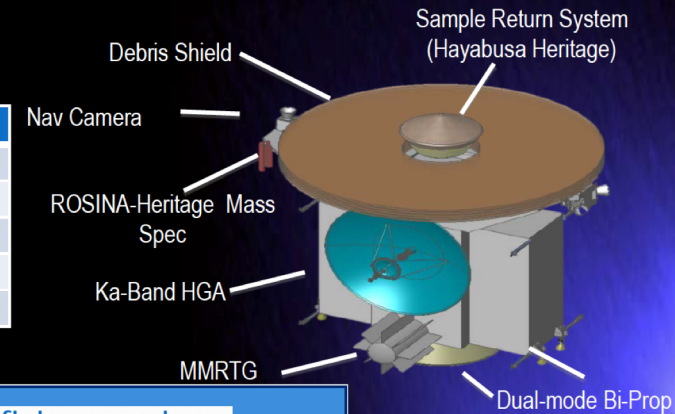
- Saturn Orbit Insertion Pump down to Enceladus via Titan
- 13.5 year mission duration
- Encounter speeds 2-4 km/s
- Multiple flybys

## Spacecraft

- Nuclear powered
- 2 instruments

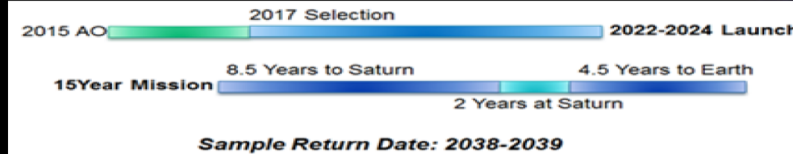
### LIFE Fact Sheet

Parameter	Value	Margin
Dry Mass	667 kg	17%
Wet Mass	1682 kg	36%
Power (EOL)	220 W	62-34%
Falcon 9 V1.1	2290 kg	36%
Ka Band 75W	42 kb/s	3-9 dB



A Plume allows low-cost flyby sample return

- Fresh samples
- Locating samples unnecessary
- No landing required
- Proven flyby sample return technology: Stardust and Hayabusa I



Enceladus Orbit

Titan Orbit

Saturn Orbit Insertion  
Enceladus Flyby



# Elsah

## Enceladus life signatures and habitability

### History:

New Frontiers 2017

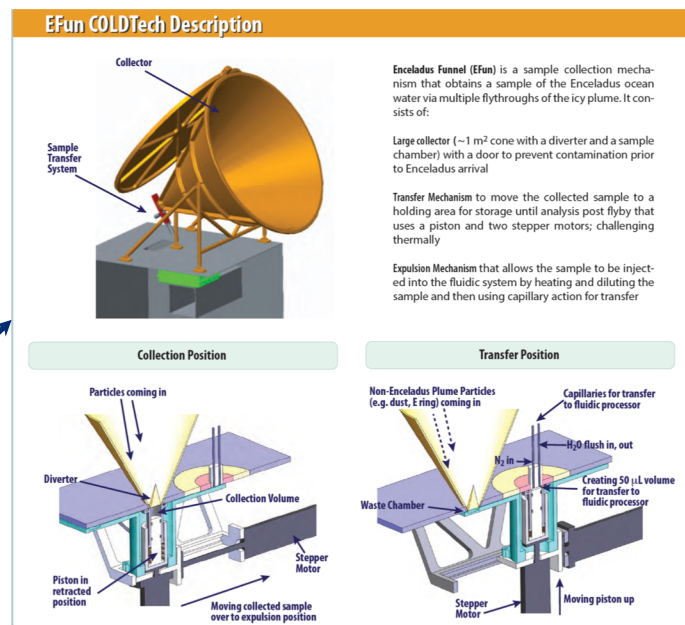
Ames/GSFC/APL

- Habitability mission

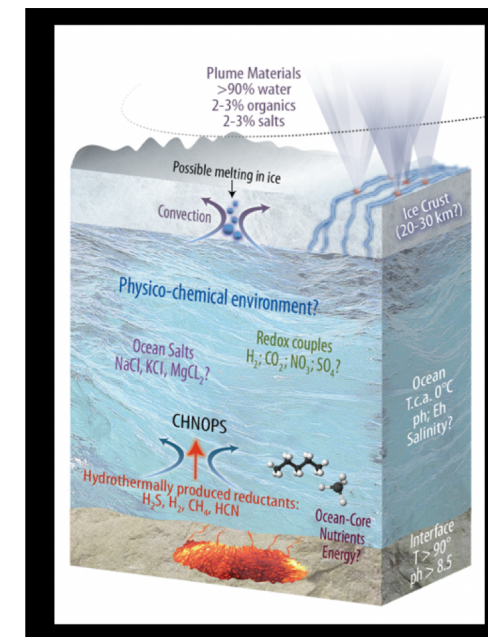
- Search for life
- Fly through plumes
- Plume sample collection system
- 2 Cameras and Mass Spec

- Enceladus Funnel sample system

- Technology development COLDTech grant to develop cost-effective techniques that enable life detection measurements on cost-capped missions
- Ice particle capture and retention



Source: OPAG 2-2018 Hurford and Cospar 2018 Adams

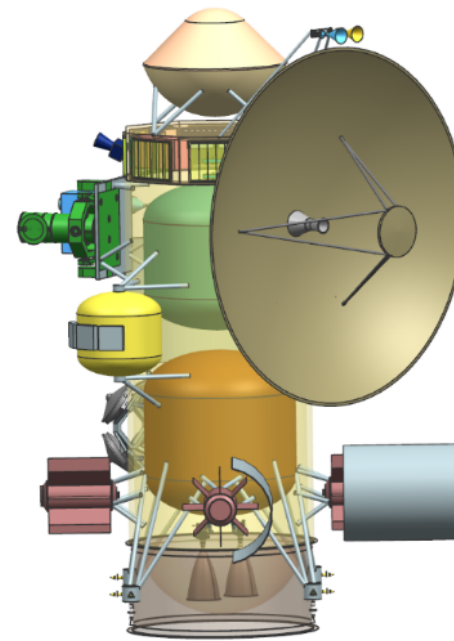


### ELSAH Payload

Visible & IR Camera Suite	Imaging of plume and its source regions
GCMS	Life Detection & Habitability
Plume Chemistry Lab	Life Detection & Habitability

# Ice Giants Missions

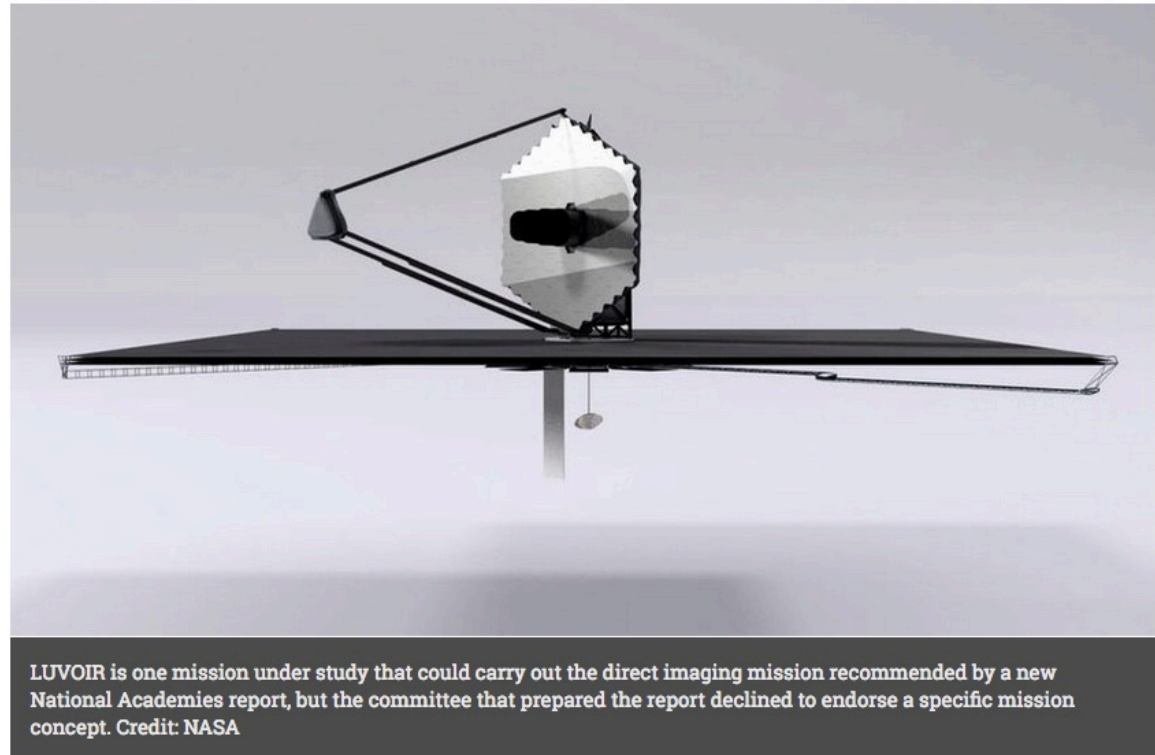
- NASA study report in 2017
- Uranus and Neptune systems seen as equally important in this study
  - However, Roadmaps of Ocean Worlds (ROW) study prioritized Neptune, due to Triton
  - Both worlds should be explored
  - Optimal launch dates 2029-2033
- Highest Priority Science
  - Interior structure of the planet
  - Bulk composition of the planet (including isotopes and noble gases)
- Internal structure of satellites also included
  - Tilted magnetospheres enable magnetic sounding for conductive layers
- 2018 decadal mid-term review recommended a new study



# Telescopic Observations of Exoplanets

- Spacecraft: JWST, TESS, WFIRST, PLATO
- Ground-based extremely large telescopes
- 2018 National Academies report recommends direct imaging mission that can measure the reflected light spectra of Earth-sized planets orbiting in the habitable zones of sun-like stars.
  - HabEx or LUVOIR

Orbital resonances are common in exoplanet systems, leading to tidal heating. This increases importance of understanding tidal heating in our system.



# Mission architecture trades

- Mission architecture
  - Flyby
  - Orbiter
  - Lander
  - Balloon
- Power
  - Solar
  - Nuclear
  - Batteries (primary or rechargeable)
  - Fuel cells (primary or regenerative)\*
- Propulsion
  - Chemical
  - Solar electric propulsion
  - Solar sails\*

\*Developmental





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