

Cosmic Vision 2015-2025 Technology Plan

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Overview of M-class missions





Science

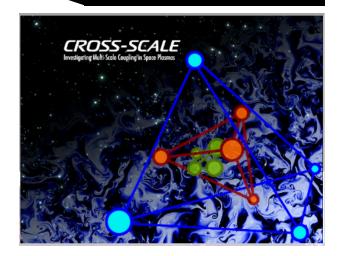
 To study plasma processes (turbulence, reconnection, shocks) on multiple scales simultaneously

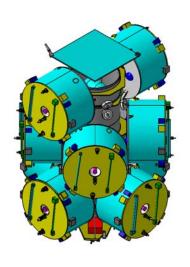
Space Segment

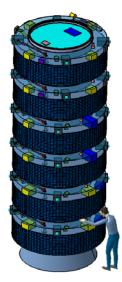
- 7 S/C in nested tetrahedra, optimum 12 S/C on 3 scales:
 (1) Electron scale (2-100km), (2) Ion scale (50-2.000km), (3) Fluid scale (3.000-15.000km)
- Launch on Soyouz-2b (single launch)
- Slightly adopted payload per scale (~25 kg per S/C)
- Spinning S/C with ~15 rpm
- Orbit: 10 R_E x 25 R_E (optimum science, low radiation, no debris problem) constellation passes through bow shock, magnetotail and magnetopause
- Orbital period: 104 h, Orbit Inclination: 14 degree, multiple visit of "Tailbox"
- S/C design identical for all scales to minimise non-recurring costs
- Main trade-off: dispenser / stacked configuration

Payload: provided by Member States









Trade: Dispenser or Stacked configuration

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Cross Scale (M-Class)

Technology

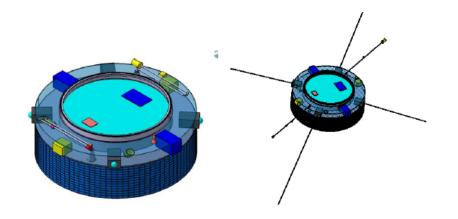
No major critical technology development required

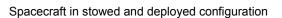
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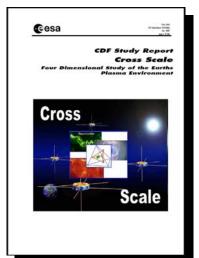
- ESA Phase 0 study completed.
- Industrial Studies 2 parallel contracts running (TAS-F and Astrium-UK, Final Review Jun. 2009)
- In parallel: National funded Instrument Studies (10) by instrument proposers

International Collaboration

JAXA (Scope), NASA and CSA

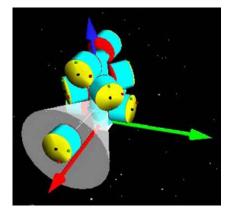








Wire-boom deployment unit



S/C deployment simulation (dispenser based)





Marco Polo (M-class)



Science

~30 gram Sample Return from primitive Asteroid (C or D-type) e.g.: UQ 1989 (C-type), ~760m diameter, 0.67 AU x 1.16 AU

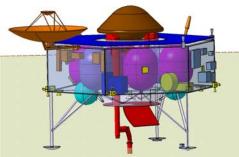
Space Segment

- Goal: Minimum possible space segment
- Launch with Soyuz -1B (Aug. 2017)
- Chemical Transfer (typ. 3.2 year), $\Delta v = 482$ m/s, Earth-Venus GAtransfer
- Arrival: Dec. 2020 1.6 year stay time (observation, sampling)
- Landing on target at full daylight
- Return: Nov. 2023, $\Delta v = 529$ m/s, Venus GA
- Entry: v = 11.8 km/s, 11 MW/m2, ~76 kg entry capsule \angle
- 3 axis stabilized S/C, mass = 1.191 kg (wet)
- Sampling based on coring principle (some ExoMars heritage)

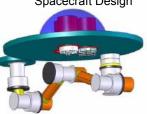












Robotic arm for sampling



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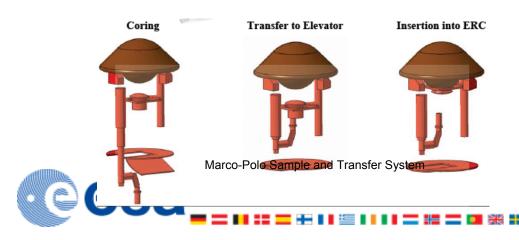
- Guidance and Navigation at small body, including GNC for safe landing
- Landing and operations on surface at low gravity
- Sampling mechanism and transfer system
- Re-entry up to 12.5 km/s

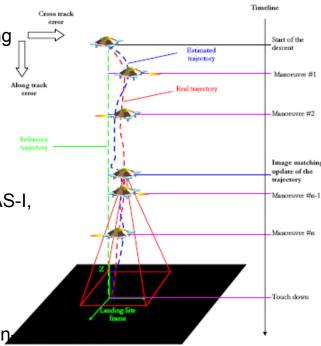
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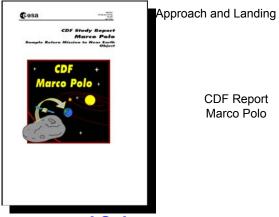
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- Industrial Studies 3 parallel contracts running (Astrium UK, OHB, TAS-I, Final Review ~ Sep. 2009)
- National funded P/L studies in parallel (23 proposals received)

International collaboration

- Under elaboration, could be with JAXA,
- In case of JAXA lead: More challenging target (e.g.2001 SG286/Wilson Harrington)







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