Commercial Space Research Opportunities



Scope of Opportunities

Commercial access to ISS

- SpaceX, Orbital
- Commercial free-flyers
 - SpaceX DragonLab, Bigelow
 - Excalibur Almaz

Suborbital

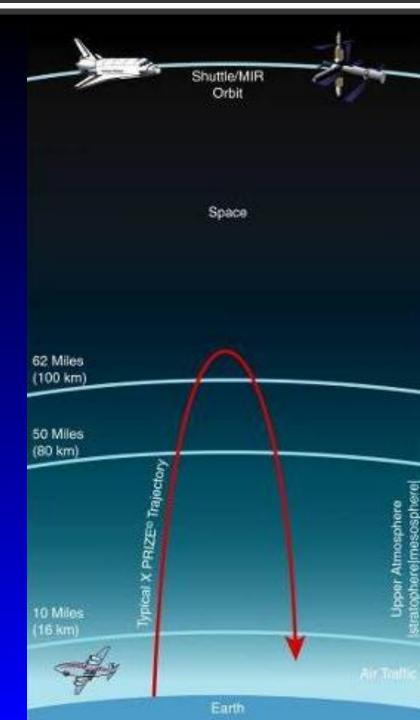
- Crewed: Virgin Galactic, Blue Origin, XCOR
- Uncrewed: Armadillo, Masten, sounding rockets

Atmospheric

- Rockets: Armadillo, Masten
- Aircraft: ZERO-G, F-104, WhiteKnightTwo
- Other: Red Bull Stratos

Ground assets

NASTAR, spaceports, international equivalents





Co-chaired Life Sciences sessions with MVL alum Mark Shelhamer, JHU

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Life Science Opportunities in Suborbital Flight

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An Agenda for Sensorimotor Research in Sub-Orbital Flight

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Brain Hemodynamic Changes Measured With Near-Infrared Spectroscopy During Altered Gravity

Goodwin T. J. * Albrecht T. B. Schmidt M. A. Goodacre R. Sharina I. Murad F.

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Environmental Control and Life Support for Human Space Vehicles – Micro/Partial-Gravity Testing Needs

Chappell S. P. * Norcross J. R. Gernhardt M. L.

Results and Lessons Learned from Performance Testing of Humans in Spacesuits in Simulated Reduced Gravity

Key areas of suborbital interest

- 1. Fundamental gravitational research (ASGSB, NSBRI)
 - Typically basic research in humans, animals, cells, plants
- 2. Bioastronautics (HRP, ISGP, AsMA, NSBRI)
 - More applied research, often for NASA exploration needs
 - Key opportunities in sensorimotor and cardiopulmonary
- 3. Medical operations and human factors (HRP, HFES)
 - Flight testing and qualification of procedures and hardware
- Medical research enabled by diverse flyers (NIH)
- 5. TRL maturation for orbital research hardware
- 6. Student engagement and training
- 7. Astrobiology