Medical Emergency Designers for Interplanetary Crisis Situations (MEDICS) Mid-Semester Presentation Date: 03/13/2023

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- Project Organization
- Deliverables
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- Questions







Project Overview





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Project Purpose

Motivation:

Support the advancement of long-duration human exploration missions

Purpose:

CU BIOASTRO and CU ADEM created a space medicine course (MiSSE) that:

- Bridges the gap between engineering and medicine
- Teaches students medical care in extreme and remote environments through lecture and in-field scenarios

Goal:

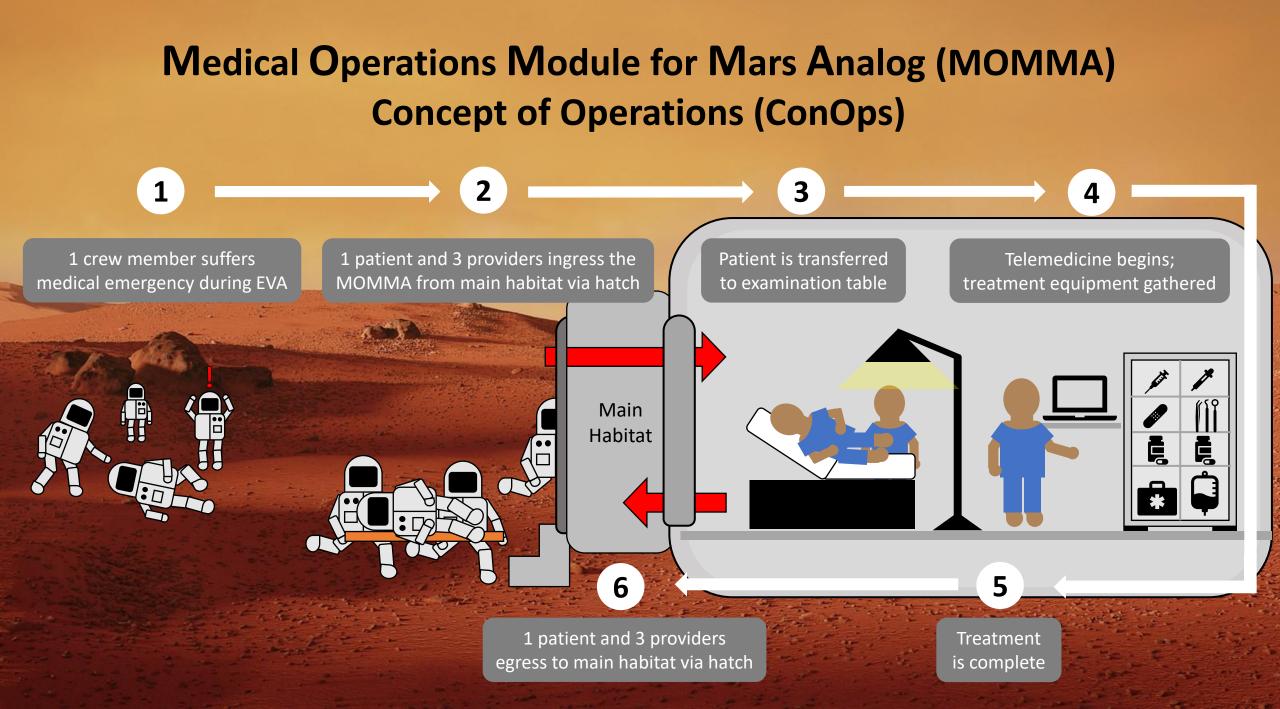
Design and build out a medical bay that can be used in extreme and remote environments







Source: CU ADEM



Project Objectives

Conceptual

1. Complete a conceptual design of the medical bay to be used on the Martian surface

Physical

- 1. Design and fabricate a low-fidelity examination area
- 2. Design and fabricate a high-fidelity hatch with temporary support structure
- 3. Perform Human Factors Testing on the lowfidelity examination area
- 4. Perform Human Factors and Functional Testing on the high-fidelity hatch



Source: BMJ Journals



Project Organization

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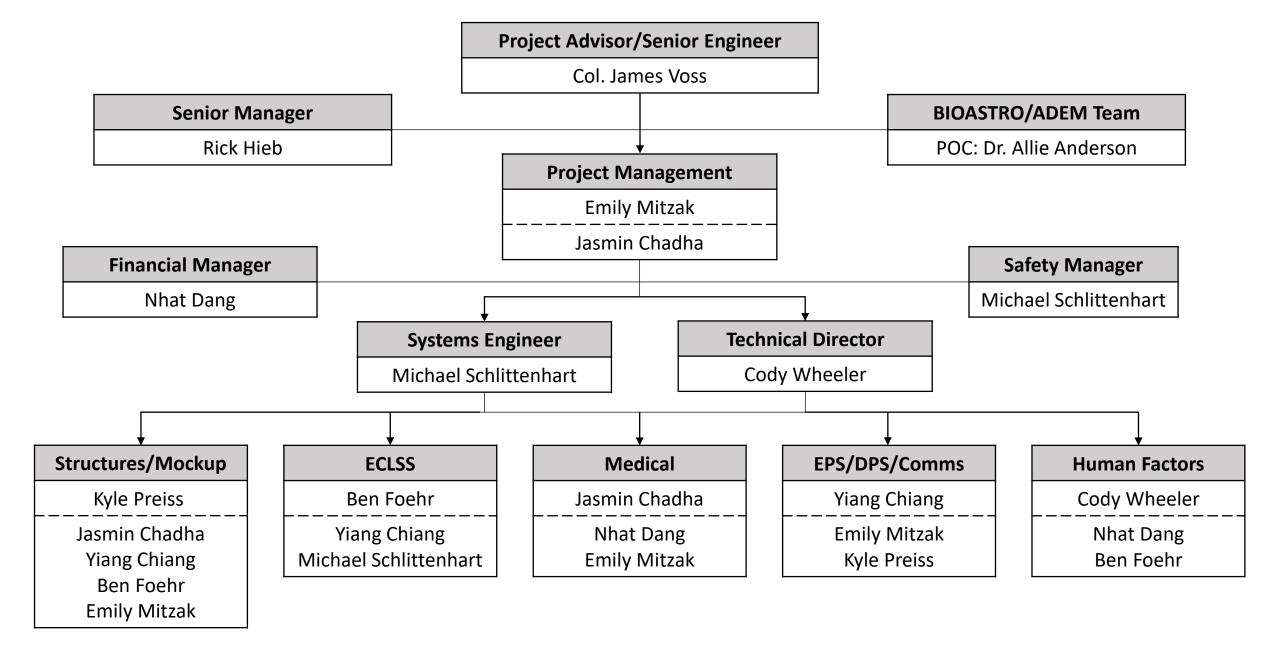
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Deliverables





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No.	Description	Date Due	
1	Kickoff Briefing, SOW review, delivery of Project Plan, Schedule, and Budget	Jan 26, 2023	
2	Technical Interchange Meetings (TIM)		
3	Weekly Status Updates	Conceptual	
4	Functional Decomposition Report	Objectives	
5	Mockup Trailer Trade Study Presentation and Report	Feb 23, 2023	-
6	System Requirements Review and Report	Mar 2, 2023	
7	Design Definition Review and Document	Mar 9, 2023	
8	Midterm Detailed Status Review and Report	Mar 21, 2023	
9	Human Factors and Functional Test Readiness Review, Safety Review, and Test Plan delivery	Apr 6, 2023	Physical Objectives
10	Final Detailed Status Review and Report	May 4, 2023	



Team Progress





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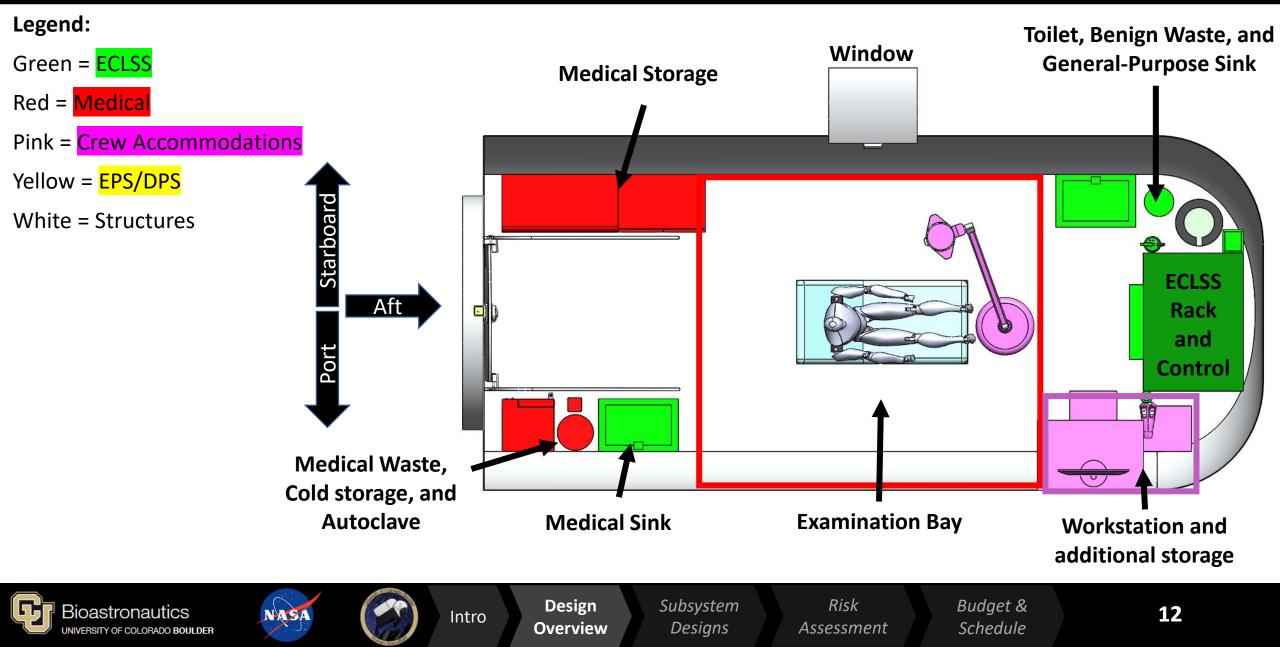
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Design Concept – CAD Overview, Floor Plan



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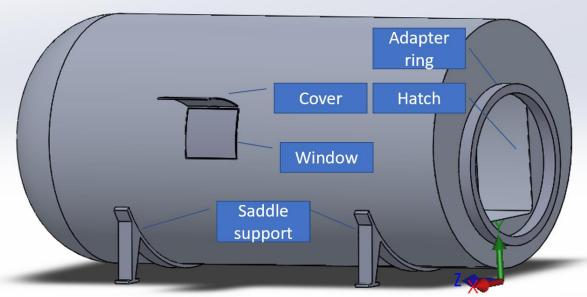
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Design Tasks

- Design a conceptual pressure vessel to be used as a Mars medical habitat
 - Must maintain a habitable environmental pressure (14.7 psi)
 - Connect to a larger Mars habitat
 - Be large enough to facilitate medical procedures
 - Have a window with a protective cover
- Construct a high-fidelity mockup of the hatch
 - Will be used next semester for the MiSSE (Medicine in Space & Surface Environments) class





Mockup Design

Hatch system to be inserted into a teaching trailer next semester

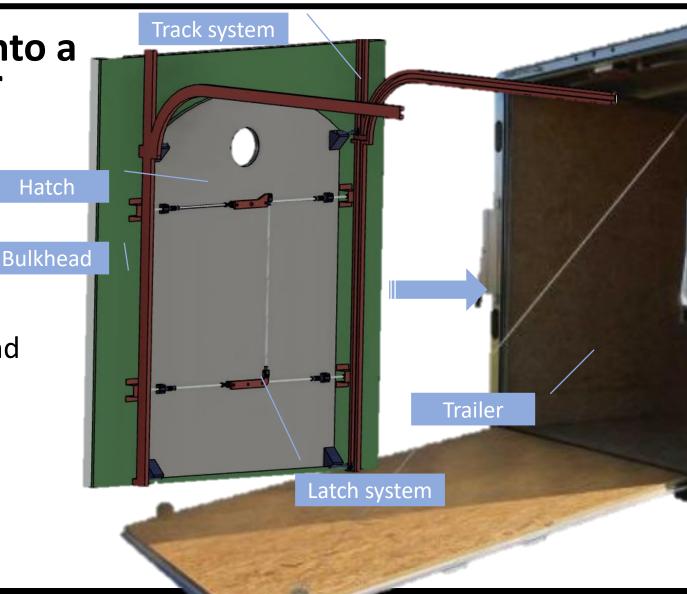
Design elements:

- A track system to stow the hatch
- A latching system to seal the hatch
- A window
- A mock pressure equalization gauge and valve

Skills used:

- Composites
- Welding
- Brazing
- Machining
- 3D printing
- Mechanisms





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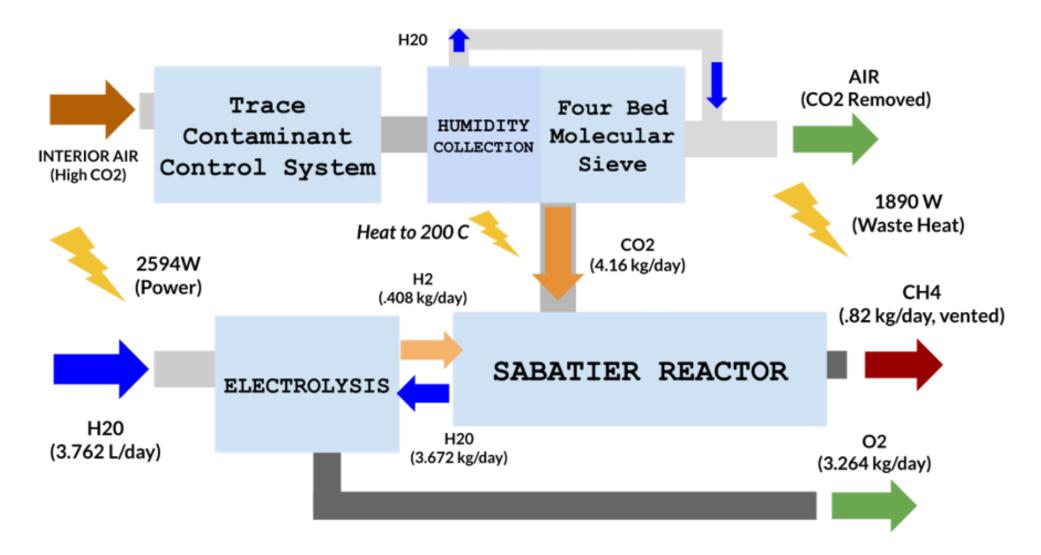
- MOMMA must act as life support system for up to a year in case of emergency
- Atmospheric Revitalization and Reclamation removes CO2 and Trace Gasses, and generates Oxygen
 - Uses Sabatier Reactors, Electrolysis devices, charcoal filters, and zeolites
- Thermal Control removes heat generated from MOMMA and sends to main habitat
 - Uses Coldplates and Heat Exchanger
- Other systems, like water provision and waste disposal, can be accomplished through connections to theoretical main Habitat





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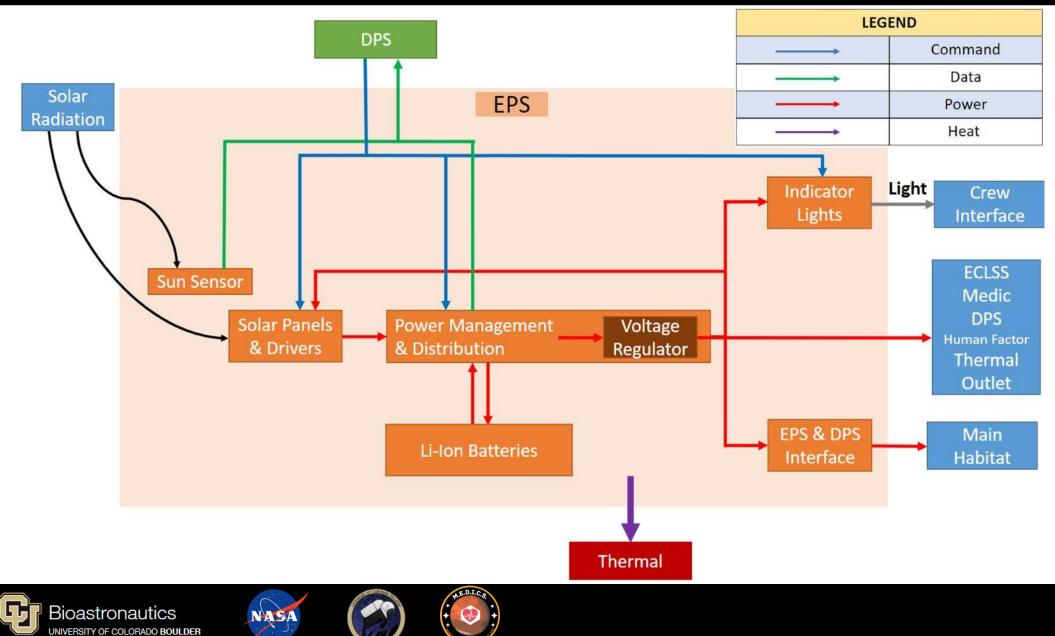
- Power generation
- Power storage
- Power management, distribution, and transfer
- Circuit protection

DPS & Comms:

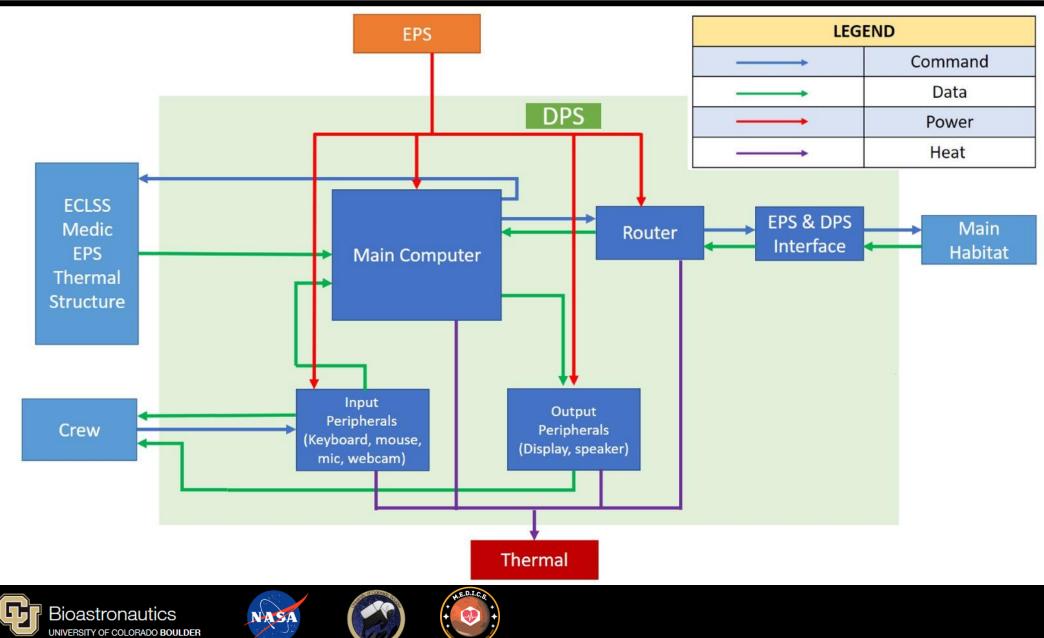
- Transfer voice and data between MOMMA and Main habitat
- Display data on monitors in MOMMA
- Allow crew to commend or program device behavior if necessary



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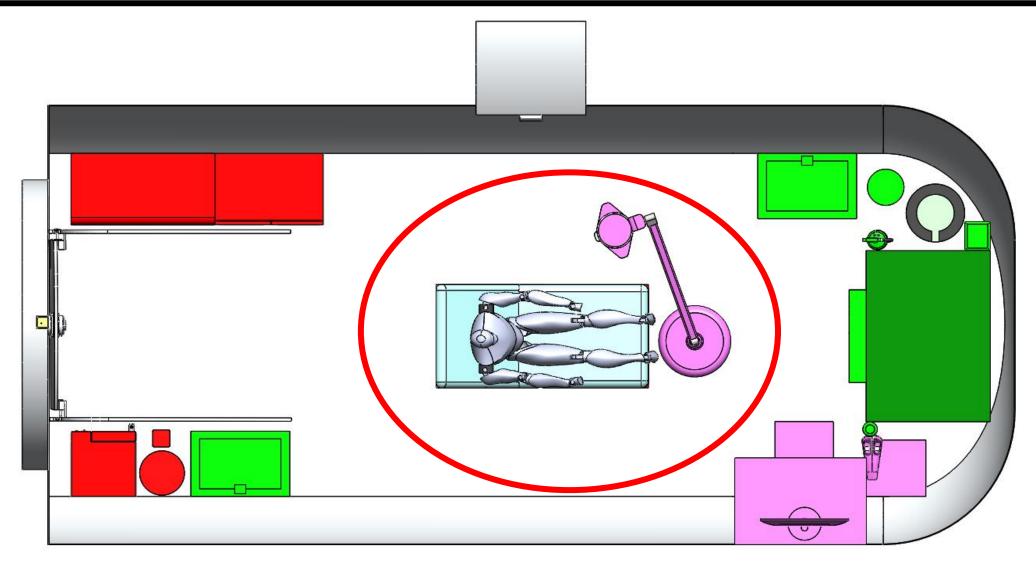
Medical Overview

The purpose of the medical subsystem is to:

- Enable monitoring of vital signs
- Provide and store diagnostic equipment
- Provide and store treatment equipment and supply
- Provide telemedicine capability
- Provide and store pharmaceuticals
- Enable sterilization of medical equipment
- Contain medical waste



Medical Design







Human Factors





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Human Factors Overview

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Project Concerns

- Space for Human Factors testing
- Complex scheduling for Human Factors testing
 - Require 4 test subjects per session
- Material lead times
- Potential manufacturing errors by team
- Exceeding this semester's budget
 - Medical equipment







