





# ISU Hydra Space Station Payloads

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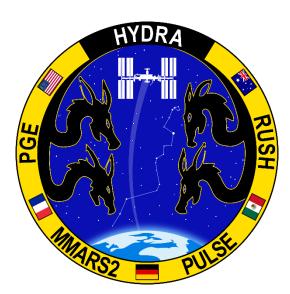


## 1. Why Hydra?









Hercules and Iolaus kill the Hydra



## 2. ISS Payloads





- Three 'Hydra' payload cubes are flying to ISS with ICE-Cubes.
- Hardware features innovative ISU-designed structures.
- Significant design and construction by ISU students.
- Two payloads are on board
  - Hydra 2: MMARS2 improved version of MMARS1 + DOSIS
  - Hydra 3: Pulse an interactive space art payload developed with Mexican space artist and ISU alum Nahum + RUSH
- One will fly December 4
  - Hydra 1: Plant Growth Experiment



# SpaceX-CRS15 Launch (29 June)









## Docking + Installation







### Hydra-2/MMARS2 + DOSIS



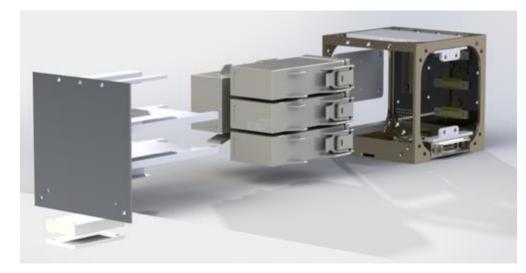
Lead: International Space University

Partners: University of Strasbourg, University of New South Wales, DLR

Main objective: Effect of space environment on methanogen growth.

#### Secondary objective:

Measurement of radiation environment.









### Hydra-3/Pulse + RUSH



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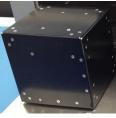
Partners: Studio Nahum, MacQuairie University

Main objective: Interactive space art payload

Secondary objective: Tech demonstration of radiation tolerant electronics.

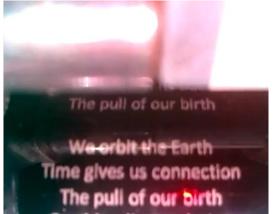














#### Hydra-1/Plant Growth Experiment

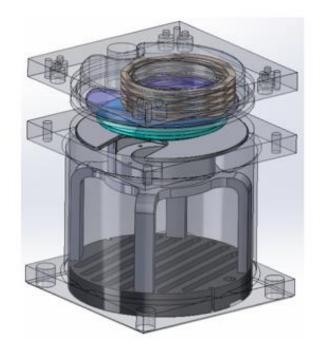


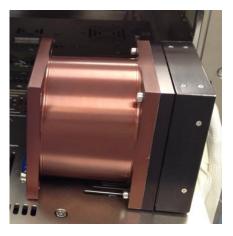
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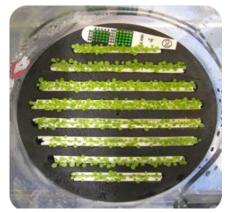
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Partners: Stanford
University/Utah University,
University of Strasbourg (NASA Ames)

Main objective: Observation of transgenic seed chemically-inducible protein expression in a microgravity environment + DNA postflight analysis.





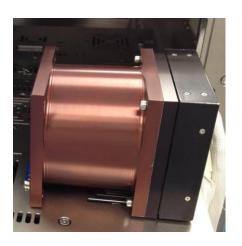


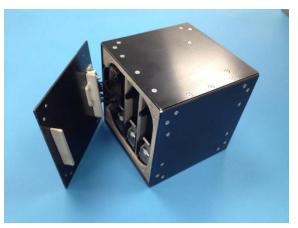


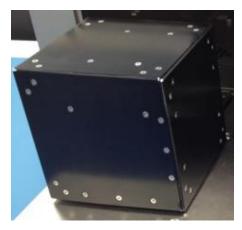
### 3. Benefits



- For ISU, key aspects of the ICE Cubes opportunity included:
- Enabling in-orbit research on a responsive timescale











Promoting international co-operation













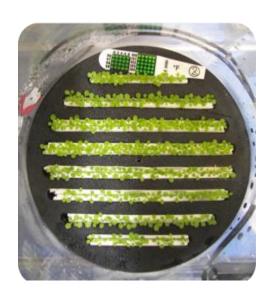


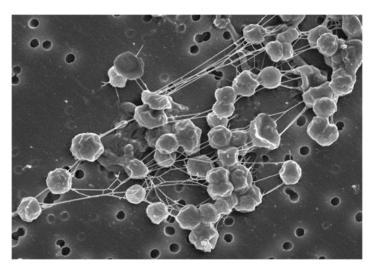


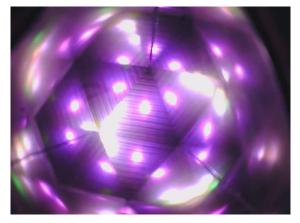




### Promoting ISU's interdisciplinary mission











 Direct engagement of ISU master's students in design and construction of space payloads







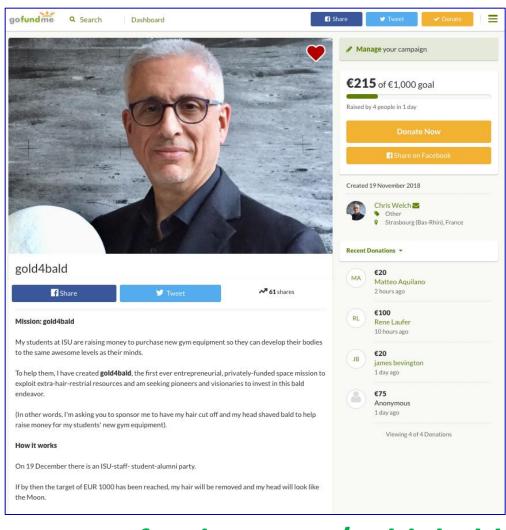






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