Team 517 Sample On-Boarding and Orientation

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Senior Design Team 517

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Mechanical Systems



Generating concrete designs based off the existing vague concepts



Determine methods, based on our goals, to validate our design

Victor Prado Design Engineer



Matthew Schrold Test Engineer





Electrical Systems



Microcontroller selection, programming and low-level motor control



Responsible for the design, simulation, and building of the power system

Justin Bomwell Software Engineer



Kalin Burnside Power Systems Engineer





Robotic Systems



Ryan Dingman

Controls Engineer

Designing and simulating the controllers for the project



Design and simulation of low and high-level robotic systems

Joshua Jones Robotics Engineer **EROS**





Dr. Camilo Ordóñez

Advisor

Joshua Jones



Objective

The objective of this project is to onboard a sample from the environment, then manipulate it within the rover so that testing instruments can perform all necessary tests on the sample.



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Joshua Jones





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Research





Research

Prevention of sample contamination

Designing to withstand the Martian environment

Exploring programs to simulate the design

NASA's Office of Planetary Protection Sand on Mars is much finer than that present on Earth



Ryan Dingman

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Current Design

Robotic arm brings the end effector/manipulator towards the sample, instrumentation, and storage

Our design is expected to undergo multiple revisions throughout the duration of this project



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Victor Prado

End Effector

Designed to securely hold sample and rotate it in order to expose its surface to sensors

"Fingers" translate to grip sample then rotate to display surface to instrumentation for analysis

Attached to end of robotic arm

Only one pair of "fingers" will activate at once, switching to the other pair if a needed part of the surface of the sample is obscured

Replaceable rotation tips to prevent contamination of samples

Victor Prado

Robotic Arm



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Storage

Accepts samples up to 7 cm in diameter

Moveable cover (not shown) prevents contamination of samples

Matthew Schrold

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Future Work



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Spring Timeline



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Challenges

Prevention of sample contamination

How to best interact with the sensors

Designing to withstand the harsh Martian environment System to change out rotation tips between samples

Designing end effector to allow the sensors suitable access to samples

Conduct further research on the topic and consult with NASA mentors

Justin Bomwell





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Background

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Future Work

